

Parish of Killavullen and Annakisha

Twenty Third Week of Ordinary Time (September 4-10)



Twenty Third Sunday

Choosing to follow the way of Christ.

1st Reading: The mystery of life reflects the mystery of God. It is the higher Wisdom that comes from God that helps us know our true purpose in life. 2nd Reading: In the shortest book of the Bible, St Paul makes an appeal on behalf of Onesimus, a runaway slave, to his former owner, Philemon. Gospel: Being a disciple of Christ is a demanding choice: In the time the Gospel was written, in the First Century, it involved turning against your own family. In our times, too, being a Christian is counter-cultural. But the Gospel also advocated prudence and pragmatism in all that we do.

• Children's worksheets on today's Gospel are at church doorways

Mass Times this Week

Monday – Thursday Killavullen 9.00am

No Mass on Friday

Saturday Vigil Mass Killavullen 7.00pm
Twenty Fourth Sunday Annakisha 10.00am
Killavullen 11.30am

• The Sacrament of Reconciliation is celebrated on Saturday evening at 6.30pm in the Reconciliation Room or at any time requested.

May they Rest in God's Embrace: *Anniversary:* Breda O'Keeffe (Knocknacappul)

Gluten Free Breads are available if you are coeliac. Let the sacristan know before Mass to arrange to receive Holy Communion in this form.

Recent Collections: Thank you for your generosity.

•	Killavullen	Annakisha
August 7, 14, 15, 21, 28	€1,970	€840
Diocesan Purposes	August, combined:	€160
Building Fund	August, combined:	€,1095

The second collection this weekend, as you recess from the Church, is for the monthly Diocesan Purposes fund.

BonMot: Procrastination is the thief of time.

Let's all join together in Communion sweet, Walk, walk, in the light. And love one another 'til the Saviour we meet.

Walk in the light (x3) Walk in the light of the Lord. II: He left his Spirit our friend to be,

Walk, walk, in the light; He prays in you and he prays in me, Walk, walk, in the light.

All the earth proclaim the Lord, Sing your praise to God.

- I: Serve you the Lord, heart filled with gladness Come into his presence singing for joy.
- II: Enter his gates bringing thanksgiving O enter his courts while singing his praise.

Covid-19: Please sanitize your hands on entering and exiting the church. The wearing of a face-mask at Masses is optional, but recommended.

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Parish Choir: The parish choir will resume meetings this Monday, September 5 at 8.00pm in Killavullen, followed by refreshments. New members are especially welcome at this first meeting following the summer break. The choir normally leads the singing at the 11.30am Mass and meets fortnightly (on Mondays) for a rehearsal.

Autumn Station Masses: will take place over the coming weeks. Please contact Fr Condon if you would like to the Station Mass for your area.

Fr Patrick Ryall a Servite Priest who ministers in London celebrated the Golden Jubilee of his Ordination at Annakisha on August 14. Fr Pat has written to the parish, "to express my deepest gratitude to all parishioners who contributed so generously to the recent celebration at Annakisha Church. It was such a joy to be able to return to the Church where I was baptised, made my First Communion, and was Ordained to the Priesthood on the 13th of August 1972.

I offer my deepest thanks to you and all the Parishioners who made this possible. The Church and grounds were looking so beautiful with the floral decorations outstanding. A number of visitors remarked to me after the celebration that the Church was indeed "exceptionally beautiful". The liturgy, sacristy and 'serving' were all so wonderfully prepared. The Liturgical Music performed by Fiona Hannon was just superb. The Banner on the Church Gate was such a surprise and "out of this world" that I was moved to "shed a tear of delight and gratitude" for such thoughtful preparation and then to receive an album of photographs of the whole event was exceptional and delightful. My Prior Provincial, Fr. Colm McGlynn OSM and Fr. Timothy Flynn, remarked on how well and generously we were received and treated.

Bon Mot: "There is a God-shaped hollow in the human heart that nothing else can fill." (Blaise pascal 1623-1662)