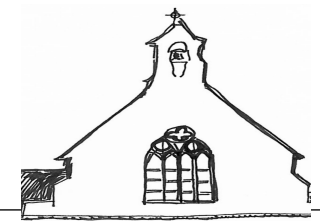


Parish of Killavullen and Annakisha

Third Week of Easter (April 23-29, 2023) 23.17



Third Sunday of Easter.

First Reading: Peter explains the Christian faith to his fellow Jews: Many signs and miracles accompanied the life of Jesus of Nazareth; the greatest of them was his resurrection. His work is carried on today by the Church.

Second Reading: Saint Peter originally believed that the Good News was reserved for the people of Israel. His opinion changed over the course of his life: “God has no favourites, and judges everyone according to their lives.”

Gospel: Today’s story of the two disciples includes elements of the Mass: Every Mass is an opportunity to reflect on life, including any reasons we have to be “downcast”; We listen to the Scriptures so that we can interpret experience in a new way. The Eucharistic Prayer recalls the central mystery of our faith, the Resurrection. At the Breaking of Bread we recognise that Christ is with us. He gives us fresh impetus as we resume our journey.

• *A children’s Liturgy of the Word will take place at the 11.30am Mass. May they Rest in God’s Embrace*, Marie O’Flynn (Nano Nagle Place).

Mass & Other Events this week

Monday		Killavullen	9.30am
Tuesday & Wednesday		Killavullen	9.00am
Thursday: Visit of Choral Festival Choir		Killavullen	10.30am
<i>No Mass on Thursday & Friday</i>			
Saturday		Killavullen	10.00am
	Vigil Mass	Killavullen	7.00pm
Sunday	4 th Sunday of Easter	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.

Recent Collections: Thank you for your generosity

Last weekend	Killavullen	Annakisha
<i>Weekly offering 16/4/23</i>	€510	€310

Easter Offerings, can be given at Masses using the blue envelope from your donation box or the Easter Offering envelopes at doorways. Thank you

*This is the day (x3)
That the Lord has made
Let us rejoice (x3) And be glad
This is the day that
the Lord has made
Let us rejoice and be gla-d*

*Faithful is the Lord our King
Let us all in glory sing. Ever praise in
word and song: Holy, Holy, Holy Lord.
God of life and God of seed; God of
nations lands and creeds;
God of heaven, God of earth,
God made man in lowly birth.*

Annakisha Cemetery Wall: It is planned to carry out repairs to sections of the graveyard wall this Summer. In an effort to reduce costs, the builder has requested donations of old building stone, of a similar (limestone) type already in the wall. Please contact Fr Gerard if you can supply the same.

Journeying to Emmaus, Reflecting on our Life Journey with Jesus: A post Easter evening of prayer and reflection will be led by Sr Teresa Kennedy pbvm at Nano Nagle Birthplace on Thursday, May 4 at 7.30. Telephone: 083-3987255. All are welcome

Advance notice: Pre-Baptism Meeting: The next Baptism preparation meeting will take place on Monday, May 7, at 7.30pm in the Parish Office.

April 29 is the feastday of Catherine of Siena (1347-1380), the youngest of 25 children of a wealthy merchant family in central Italy. She lived during a time of plague (the Black Death) and anarchy; the Papacy had transferred from Rome to Avignon in the South of France. Catherine became a Dominican sister; her writings (called *Dialogues*) would be a force for good in the Church and society. She was instrumental in restoring the Vatican to Rome in 1376.

BonMot: I cannot work miracles, but by loving others
I can work healing at all times.

Pope Francis writes: “We have all had difficult moments in life, dark moments in which we walked in sadness, without horizons, with only a wall before us. And Jesus is always beside us to give us hope, to warm our hearts and to say, “Go ahead, I am with you, go ahead.” The secret of the road that leads to Emmaus is simply this: despite appearances to the contrary, we continue to be loved and God will never stop loving us. God will walk with us always, always, even in the most painful moments, even in the worst moments, even in defeat. That is where the Lord is. And his presence is our hope. Let us go forward with hope because he walks with us. Always!