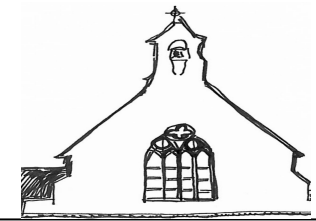


Parish of Killavullen and Annakisha

Seventh Week of Easter (May 21-27, 2023) 23.21



Ascension Sunday. World Communications Day

First Reading: An account of the Ascension by St Luke. After forty days (a symbolic number in the bible) the Risen Lord was no longer physically evident to his disciples. Two angelic figures remind them that the time has come for them to be the Body of Christ in the world today.

Second Reading: The Lord enlightens us to see life through the lens of faith: his resurrection from the dead has given him authority over all of creation.

Gospel: In Matthew's account, the Ascension takes place in Galilee: the risen Jesus tells the disciples that his authority as God's only Son has been revealed by his resurrection. He invites them to "go make disciples" and he promises to be with his followers for ever.

Mass Times this week

Monday – Thursday		Killavullen	9.00am
	<i>No Mass on Friday</i>		
Saturday	Vigil Mass	Killavullen	7.00pm
Sunday	Sunday	Annakisha	10.00am
		Killavullen	11.30am

May they Rest in God's Embrace: Kathleen Barry (Main St. Castletownroche); Pat O'Keeffe (Knocknacappul).

- 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</i>	€530	€330
<i>Monthly Buildings Fund</i>	Combined	€1325

The second collection at Masses this weekend will be for the Bishops' Conference of Ireland: the collection is for various agencies, including Education, Bioethics, Marriage and the Family. These in turn support the mission of the Catholic Church in Ireland through its 1,100 parishes. **Next weekend**, the semi-annual collection for our sacristans will take place.

Christ be near at either hand,
Christ behind, before me stand.
Christ with me where e'er I go.
Christ around, above below.
Christ my life and only way.
Christ my lantern night & day,
Christ be my unchanging friend.
Guide and shepherd to the end

Glory and praise to our God.
Who alone gives light to our days.
Many are the blessing he bears
To those who trust in his ways.
We the daughters and sons of him - Who
built the valleys and plains. Praise and
wonder our God has done,
in every heart that sings:

The Community Café will resume on some Tuesdays, in Killavullen Hall, beginning on May 30 from 10.00am-12.00noon

Nano Nagle Birthplace: Understanding the Eucharist, Reflections on the Mass as we approach the Feast of Corpus Christi will be led by Sr Teresa Kennedy ibvm, on May 31, at 7.30pm. Information: 083-3987255.

Honora Nagle was born in Ballygriffin in 1718, to Garret and Ann Nagle, the firstborn of seven children. In 1728, Nano and her sister, Ann were sent to Paris for schooling. Nano and Ann enjoyed a good education and, within a few years, a riotous social life. On returning from one social event, Nano noticed a group of people gathered before the unopened door of a church. The sight of people waiting with such religious devotion, inspired Nano to change course, and dedicate her life to Christ, both in the Eucharist and in the poorest of the poor.

Nano returned to Ireland following her father's death (1746). From 1754 to 1771, she worked as a layperson serving the poor of Cork City, especially as teacher. As she grew older, she worried about the survival of her schools. She invited the Ursuline Sisters to help her but their rule of enclosure, prevented school work. She handed the convent she had prepared over to the Ursulines and decided to open her own congregation (1775). Nano died on April 26, 1784. She was declared "venerable" on Oct. 31, 2013

O God, you filled the heart of your servant, Nano Nagle, with loving care and compassion for the needy.

Through her intercession, help us in our need. Grant that, like her, we may do your will, and that we may grow in your love and in the love of our neighbor. Through Christ, our Lord. Amen.