



Parish of Killavullen and Annakisha

Nineteenth Week in Ordinary Time (August 13-19, 2023) 23.31



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:

Nineteenth Sunday: *The courage of faith*

First Reading: Elijah finds God not in any dramatic natural or supernatural event, but in a gentle breeze as he is at prayer.

Responsorial Psalm: The Lord is a God of both justice and compassion

Second Reading: St Paul wants everyone to be part of the new Body of Christ that is the Church.

Gospel: A Gospel miracle that is rich in symbolism: Without the presence of Christ on board the going in life becomes stormy and dangerous for the disciples. Once Jesus is there everything calms down. Peter is so impressed by Jesus that he overcomes his fear of the sea and attempts the seemingly impossible feat of walking on water. But his doubts are there even in that moment of courage and he cries out, “Jesus, save me.”

Mass Times this week

Monday	<i>Vigil Mass for the Assumption</i>	Annakisha	7.30pm
Tues. August 15	Assumption of the BVM	Killavullen	7.30pm
Wednesday and Thursday		Killavullen	9.00am
	<i>No Mass on Friday</i>		
Saturday	Vigil Mass	Killavullen	7.00pm
Sunday	20 th 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: *Month’s Mind:* Hannah Walsh

(Beenaskehy) *Those deceased this week:* John (Joe) Collins

(Castletownroche); Joan McCarthy (née Kelly), Burnfort and UK.

What I lost through prayer: Once a man was asked, “What did you gain, by praying regularly to God?” The man replied, “Nothing, but let me tell you what I lost: Anger, selfishness, greed, hopelessness, insecurity and the fear of death.” Sometimes the answer to our prayers is not gaining but losing.

This Year’s Parish Pilgrimage will take place to Mount Melleray Abbey and Ardmore, County Waterford next Tuesday, the Feast of the Assumption.

The bus will leave Skenakilla Crossroads / Ballygown School at 8.40am (parking will be available in the school grounds) and then Killavullen at 9.00am. It will arrive for Mass with the community of Cistercian Monks at 10.30am. This will be followed by Tea/Coffee/ scones and an opportunity to spend some time visiting the public areas of the Monastery. From there the coach will make its way through Cappoquin and to Ardmore where there will be lunch at The Round Tower Hotel. Following lunch, there will be time to take a stroll by the strand or walk the Ardmore Cliff Loop, which begins at St Declan’s Well and ends at the ruins of Ardmore Cathedral. Return to Killavullen by 7.30pm approximately.

Diocesan Appointments: Bishop Crean has recently made a number of diocesan appointments. These are posted on the parish notice boards. In a letter accompanying the list Bishop Crean notes: “The mission of the Diocese is to help one another to rediscover that well of inspiration and hope that comes from our shared prayer and practice. There are, in our parishes, committed priests, religious and parishioners who work with generosity to support all to know the joy and serenity that comes from belonging to one another in faith and in life. I ask especially at this time to reconsider your participation in and support of your own parish community. No less than the body needs care and nurture, so too our souls.”

Baptism Preparation Meeting: for parents with an upcoming Christening will take place next Wednesday, August 16 at 7.30pm at the Parish Office.

Copies of *Revelator: A Magazine for Young Christians* are available free of charge at the church doorways today.

Bon Mot: When you bury the hatchet, do not mark the spot.