



Parish of Killavullen and Annakisha

Nineteenth Week in Ordinary Time (August 17-23, 2025) 25.33



Nineteenth Sunday

First Reading: The prophet Jeremiah warned the people of Israel of their impending disaster if they continued on their present path of godless ways. He was thrown into a dry well for speaking truth to power, but even that did not silence him. In 597BC Jerusalem was destroyed. *Listen to the voice of God's prophet.*

Psalms 39: God drew me out of the pit of destruction and saved my life.

Second Reading: The letter to the Hebrews, one of the last books of the New Testament, has a wonderful description of faith as trust in the Lord's promise. It invites to persevere in the ways of faith and freedom from sin.

Gospel: Jesus normally spoke words of peace, but here he acknowledges the reality of conflict even in matters of religion. When Luke wrote his Gospel (about 80AD), Christians were already being persecuted. The Christian Way is not welcomed everywhere.

Confessions: The sacrament of reconciliation is celebrated at 6.30pm on Saturday evenings in Killavullen Church and at any time requested.

Communion for the First Time: At the 10.00am Mass we welcome Riley Hunter-Brown as he celebrates his first Holy Communion.

Mass times this Week

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

May they Rest in God's Embrace: Anniversaries: Michael Cronin (Powerstown); Frances O'Donovan. **Died this week:** Sean Walsh (Benasky); John Lane (Ballygown); Bridie Flynn (Main St., Killavullen).

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Longing for peace, our world is troubled.
Longing for hope, many despair.
Your word alone has power to save us.
Make us your living voice.

Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the darkness. Christ, be our light! Shine in your Church gathered today

Give me joy in my heart, keep me praising,
give me joy in my heart, I pray;
give me joy in my heart, keep me praising,
keep me praising till the break of day:

Refrain: *Sing hosanna, sing hosanna,
sing hosanna to the King of kings!
Sing hosanna, sing hosanna,
sing hosanna to the King!*

Give me peace in my heart, keep me loving,

The current spell of fine weather was the ideal backdrop for the parish pilgrimage to Great Island last Friday. Mass for the feast of the Assumption was celebrated at Saint Benedict's Priory and then we were given a guided visit to Saint Colman's Cathedral, the mother-church of our diocese. Following lunch there was time to sit by Cobh harborside and the day concluded with a visit to Barryscourt Castle



Communion to the Sick and House / Housebound: Please contact the parish office if you are sick or housebound and would like to receive Communion either from Fr Gerard or a Minister of the Eucharist, who is local to your home following Sunday Mass and on a regular basis.

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Prayer: God of our lives, you are always calling us to follow you into the future, inviting us to new ventures, new challenges, new ways to care, new ways to touch the hearts of all.

When we are fearful of the unknown, give us courage.

When we worry that we are not up to the task,
remind us that you would not call us, if you did not believe in us.

When we get tired or feel disappointed, remind us that you can bring change and hope out of the most difficult situations.

Bless to us, O God, the doors we open, the thresholds we cross, the roads that lie before us. Be with us on our way and welcome us home. Amen.ß