

WEEKEND MASSES

ARDCATH: 6:30PM (SAT VIGIL)

CLONALVY: 10.00AM (SUNDAY)

CURRAHA: 11:30AM (SUNDAY)

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PARISH NEWSLETTER

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD - 29TH MAY 2022

Please pray for the soul of Sr. Helen Dunne formerly Clonalvy who passed away during the week. May she rest in peace.



Sun	5 th June	<u>MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST</u>	<u>MINISTERS OF THE WORD</u>
Ardcath	6.30pm	Maire McKenna	Paula Allison & Catriona Corry
Clonalvy	10.00am	Tom Bowler	Kevin Geoghegan
Curraha	11.30am	Margaret Nugent	Annette O'Hanrahan

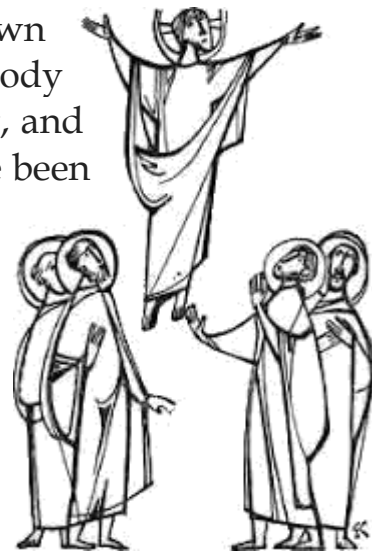
29th May The Ascension of The Lord

Vigil Mass Ardcath	6.30pm	A.V. Ettie Gogan & DFM Kevin White
Sunday Clonalvy	10.00am	People of the Parish
Sunday Curraha	11.30am	A.V. Eileen & Peter Blake A.V. Mary-Jane & Jack Bissett A.V. Mary Doyle A.V. Kathleen Langan & DFM A.V. Robert Nolan & DFM Graham Kennedy
Monday 30 th Curraha	7.30pm	P.J. McGrath
Tuesday 31 st Clonalvy	9.30am	Get well Mass
Thursday 2 nd Curraha	9.30am	Margaret Hughes
Friday 3 rd Ardcath	9.30am	Parish List of the dead
Sunday 5 th of June Pentecost		
Vigil Mass Ardcath	6.30pm	M.M. Kevin Boylan A.V. Sean & Mag Murphy Birthday Rem Richard Dunne
Sunday Clonalvy	10.00am	
Sunday Curraha	11.30am	A.V. Rita Martin

Cemetery Devotion 2022

Piercetown	Saturday	25 th June	Following 6:30pm Mass in St Mary's. Ardcath
Clonalvy:	Sunday	26 th June	1pm
Curraha:	Sunday	3 rd July	After 11.30am Mass, followed by Crickstown.
Kilmoon:	Sunday	3 rd July	1pm
Kilbrew:	Monday	4 th July	7.30pm.
Ardcath:	Sunday	11 th Sept.	1pm.

The Solemnity of the Ascension: "The Ascension of Christ means our own salvation as well, where the glorious Head (Jesus) has gone before, the body is called to follow in hope. Let us therefore exult, beloved, as is fitting, and let us rejoice in devout thanksgiving. For on this day not only have we been confirmed in our possession of paradise, but we have even entered heaven in the person of Christ, through his grace we have regained far more than we had lost through the devil's hatred." - Pope St Leo the Great



Some European Customs to celebrate the Ascension include:

Eating Fowl: It was a widespread custom in many parts of Europe during the Middle Ages to eat a bird on Ascension Day, because Christ "flew" to Heaven. Pigeons, pheasants, partridges, and even crows, graced the dinner tables. (Perhaps where the 'four and twenty blackbirds baked in a pie in the poem came from????)

Hiking a Mountain: commemorating the journey to the mountain for the Ascension. Maybe a good hike and reading the scriptural account of the Ascension is a way of celebrating today!

Catching Crickets (Grasshoppers): Imaginatively enough while on that hike, you might catch some grasshoppers and have them sing for you. In certain parts of Tuscany, particularly in Florence, a man used to gift his beloved some flowers on this Feast, and give her a cricket cage. It is uncertain how the cricket became associated with the Ascension, but the Feast is known in parts of Italy as "La Festa del Grillo" "the Feast of the Cricket"

Apostolate of Eucharistic Adoration Annual Pilgrimage to Knock

Fri/Sat 17th-18th June (Corpus Christi Weekend): Including Prayer, Healing Service, Talks, Rosary, Guided Adoration, Procession, Holy Mass and Benediction.

Also *Children of the Eucharist*: Prayer and Adoration for children on Saturday 11:45am-12:45pm, 1:45pm-2:30pm. Full Pilgrimage Schedule on eucharistiadoration.ie

Universal Synod Update: Following the engagement by so many people across the Diocese, the diocesan synthesis has been completed and will now be submitted to the National Steering Committee. The synthesis can be viewed on www.dioceseofmeath.ie from Wednesday 1st June.

Thanks to all who took part in the synodal conversations during Lent and to all who completed questionnaires and made submissions. Thanks to all priests and facilitators who organised the synodal meetings in each deanery.

As we approach the Feast of Pentecost, let us ask the Holy Spirit: "*Teach us the way we must go, and how we are to pursue it*".

Curraha Parish Pastoral Council: Meeting to take place on Monday, 30th May in the Parish Community Centre following the 7:30pm Mass,

Trocaire Boxes: Thank you to all who have returned their Trocaire Boxes. If you haven't done so already, please drop them into the Sacristy, Parish Office or the Stewards at Mass.