

# SACRED HEART CHURCH

## ROSCOMMON

PARISH NEWSLETTER

28th April 2024

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



### REMAIN IN ME

*John 15:1-8*

It is said that the “*church is not optional for your children. You make them go to school to be successful; make them go to church so they may live.*” In school students learn different ideas, skills, and knowledge but in the church, we hear and learn from the Word of God to nurture the gift of faith we received in baptism and thus we remain in Him to live.

It was in the last supper when Jesus told his followers to “***remain in me.***” This is the essence of Christian life to remain in Jesus, in the way we think, in our words and in the way we live. And the Lord, to make us understand what he means by this, uses the lovely image of the vine: “***I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing.***” The branches that are cut off from the vine lose the lifeblood and are not capable of growing and developing to bear fruit, but if the branch is united to the vine, that is, “***if you abide in me and my words abide in you, ask whatever you will, and it shall be done for you.***” What a beautiful invitation and assurance of the Lord!

And so, as followers of Jesus let us respond to this great invitation to remain in Him always and be safe in His hands. May the Lord bless us with this grace.

Happy Sunday to everyone!

- Fr. Raul

### THANK YOU - EASTER COLLECTION

*Sincere thank you to parishioners for their generosity towards the recent Easter collection for the support of parish clergy.*

*It is very much appreciated.*

## Mass Intentions for the coming week

MONDAY	11 am	Morning Mass
TUESDAY	8 am	Morning Mass
	11 am	Morning Mass
WEDNESDAY	8 am	Mary & Joseph McNamara & deceased family members
	11 am	Paddy & Rita, George, Doreen & John Walsh, Paddy & Kitty Walsh, Kathleen Gavin. Tom & Kathleen Folliard & deceased family members
THURSDAY	8 am	Ellen Beirne
	11 am	Mary & Michael Cochrane
FRIDAY	11 am	Elizabeth Mellett
SATURDAY	10 am	John Wynne, Sr. Raphael Wynne & deceased members of the Wynne & Collins families  Bernie Hoare Tommy Hynes
	7 pm	Vincent McManus (1st Anniversary)
SUNDAY	9 am	Marcella Keaveney (Months Mind)
	11.30 am	Mary Harlow (1st Anniversary)



*Please pray for the happy repose of the souls of*

**MR. OLIVER CLINTON**, Antogher Rd, Roscommon Town.

**FRANCES DOOLAN**, (nee Giblin), Stonepark, Roscommon Town.

**MARY FITZGERALD**, (nee Devine), Ahascragh, sister-in-law of Fr. Joe.

**SEAN (JOHN) REDDINGTON**, Dublin & Curraghboy. Brother of Rita Roughneen, Golf Links Rd, Roscommon.

**MICKSEY CLARKE**, Bohola. Brother of Mary Flanagan, Ballinagard Rd, Roscommon.

*We offer sincere sympathy and the assurance of our prayers to their bereaved families & friends.*

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*We also remember Bridget Conboy & Josephine Morrison whose anniversaries occur around this time.*

**St. Joseph's Church, Kiltewan - Upcoming Mass**

Friday, May 3rd at 7 p.m. & Sunday, May 5th at 10 a.m.

**Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturdays: 10.30am - 11am & 6.30pm - 7pm.**

**BLESSED SACRAMENT CHAPEL** - Adorers for the following hour are urgently required: **Thursday:** 4 pm - 5 pm. Thank you for your support. If you can help out with the above hour, please contact Tom Beirne 0863861954.

**FIRST FRIDAY CALLS:** Communion calls to the sick and housebound will take place this Friday, 3rd May, at the usual times.

**ROSARY:** During the month of May, the **Legion of Mary** will recite the Rosary every Sunday in **St. Coman's Cemetery** at 4 p.m. All are welcome.

Recitation of the Rosary in honour of Our Lady will take place at **Our Lady of Lourdes Grotto** on Wednesday evenings at 7 p.m. during the month of May. All are welcome.

**PILGRIMAGE:** The first *National Pilgrimage for Life*, organised by the Council for Life of the Irish Catholic Bishops' Conference, will be celebrated on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> May in Knock Shrine with Mass at 3.00pm in the Basilica. Anointing of the Sick will take place during Mass. Main celebrant and homilist will be Archbishop Francis Duffy.

**NATIONAL PILGRIMAGE:** Bus to National Pilgrimage for Life in Knock on Saturday, May 4th, picking up from Roscommon Church at 11am. Cost €20. Booking essential. Contact Siobhan on 083 0254 809 before 9pm on Saturday 27th April.

**LOUGH DERG 2024 PILGRIMAGE SEASON RE-OPENS:** One Day Retreats in May, August & September. Three Day Pilgrimages in June, July & August. Contact 071 9861518 / info@loughderg.org / www.loughderg.org. See poster in the Church porch.

**MEDJUGORJE YOUTH FESTIVAL:** The Diocese of Elphin invites young adults in the diocese aged 18 - 35 on pilgrimage to Medjugorje this summer for the Youth Festival from 31<sup>st</sup> July – 7<sup>th</sup> August, led by Bishop Kevin. The cost per person sharing is €650. For more information, detail of costs, registration form etc. please see the diocesan website on [www.elphindiocese.ie/medjugorje](http://www.elphindiocese.ie/medjugorje) or contact the Diocesan Office at 071-9150106 and [youth@elphindiocese.ie](mailto:youth@elphindiocese.ie)

**SAMARITANS:** Day or Night. We're here when life's difficult. If life's hard right now, we're here to listen so you don't have to face it alone. Call Samaritans free - day or night, 365 days a year. Call free on 116 123. Email: [jo@samaritans.ie](mailto:jo@samaritans.ie)

**HEALING MASS:** A Special Family Tree Healing Mass will take place in Our Lady Star of the Sea Prayer Centre, Curraghboy, Athlone on Monday, 29th April at 8 p.m. The Celebrant will be Fr. John Walsh. All are most welcome. Contact 086 4054489.

**DARKNESS INTO LIGHT 2024:** Join us for the most important sunrise of the year. On **Saturday May 11th at 4.15am** communities from across Ireland and the world will come together to raise vital funds for Pieta's services. These vital services help people impacted by suicide and self-harm. They provide supports to those bereaved by suicide. Roscommon Town Venue: Convent of Mercy Gym. Date: 11th May. Time: 4.15AM. If you are interested in volunteering to help out on the night we would love to hear from you. Contact Jacqui on 0861721181. Your support would be greatly appreciated.

**NA** physical meetings on Tuesday nights only from 8 - 9pm in Room 13 at St. Comans, Abbey St., Roscommon.

**ALTAR SOCIETY:** Week starting Monday 29th April - Group IV

**ROSCOMMON GARDEN CLUB** will hold its next meeting on Monday 29<sup>th</sup> April at 8pm in Hannons Hotel, Roscommon. Pat Thornton will give a talk on growing vegetables and dahlias. All are welcome.

**WALKING THE CAMINO:** Have you ever dreamed of walking the Camino? Join the MSC Missions as we walk the shaded lanes and valleys of the **Camino Ingles** walking from Ferrol to Santiago in Northern Spain from the 29<sup>th</sup> July - 5<sup>th</sup> August 2024. The temperature in this part of northern Spain in July is perfect for walking, like a balmy summer day in Ireland. For more details of this fundraising pilgrimage call Mary at 021 454 6691 or email [mary.morrish@msscmissions.ie](mailto:mary.morrish@msscmissions.ie)

**BUS TO** Pro Life Campaign March for Life in Dublin on Bank Holiday Monday, May 6<sup>th</sup>, leaving Roscommon Church at 8am. Cost €30. Booking essential. Contact Siobhan on 083 0254 809 before 9pm on Monday 29th April.

**LOCAL FORUM:** is an open meeting for people with connections to the mental health services where they speak about their experience, present views and raise matters to improve the service to others. Please contact Fiona on [fiona.dodd@hse.ie](mailto:fiona.dodd@hse.ie) or 087 3805332 or Teresa [MHERForumSecretary@outlook.com](mailto:MHERForumSecretary@outlook.com) or 0877554393

**COMANS SWIM CLUB TABLE QUIZ FUNDRAISER:** Comans swim club are hosting a fundraiser table quiz to raise money for the club development fund, on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> May in The Coachmans Inn, Roscommon Town. Tickets are €50 for table of 4. Quiz starts at 8.30pm. All welcome (over 18's). Please support our local swim club.

**WHAT WOMEN..Need – a Conversation with Local Election Candidates and the Women of Roscommon.** Join us on Thursday, May 2<sup>nd</sup> at 19.00 – 21.00 at the Abby Hotel, as Roscommon Women's Network and the Roscommon County Council host a political hustings ahead of the local elections in June. All candidates will be invited along where they will hear about, and respond to issues important to women. Tea/coffee available from 18.30pm. Please register by emailing us at [atreanor@rwn.ie](mailto:atreanor@rwn.ie), or call/text us at 0868099154.

**RWN:** Join us for the official unveiling of the RWN women's intercultural textile art piece on Friday, 17<sup>th</sup> of May, 11-1pm at The Abbey Hotel, Roscommon. As well as the official unveiling, this morning event will include songs and stories by the women involved in the project, and will be followed by a light lunch. Please register by emailing us at [atreanor@rwn.ie](mailto:atreanor@rwn.ie), or call/text us at 0868099154

**Sunday's Offertory Collection - 21st April 2024**  
**€3,070.00**

Thank You

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