



Ascension Sunday

12th May 2024



Mass – Monday to Friday 10am

KILLALLON: Sun 10am, Ann – Michael Nolan, Diamor

CLONMELLON: Sun 11.30am, 1st Ann – Ann Gilsean, Heathstown

Mon – Feast of Our Lady of Fatima

Tues – St. Matthias

Wed – World Day of Families

Sat – St. John 1, Pope

FEAST OF PENTECOST

KILLALLON: Sun 10am, Ann - Carmel, John Joe & Jackie O'Brien, James Corrigan & d.f.m.

CLONMELLON: Sun 11.30am, First Holy Communion

Adoration: Mon 2.30-8pm

Baptisms: 1st & 3rd Saturdays of each month

R.I.P. Donie Geraghty
Alacoque Dalton

Cemetery Devotions: –

Sun June 9th -

KILLALLON 7pm

ARCHERSTOWN 8pm

Sun June 16th -

CLONARNEY 7pm

CLONMELLON 8pm

May - Month of Our Blessed Mother



Please continue to pray the Rosary every night with your family.

We give thanks to God for the fine weather we've had & please pray for it to continue & for each other.



Our Lady of the Rosary appeared to the three children for the first time on 13th May 1917, while they were tending sheep, and she would then visit them on the 13th day of each month until her last apparition, which took place on 13th October 1917. This last visit was witnessed by 70,000 pilgrims and is known as the 'Miracle of the Sun'.

An impressive sanctuary, the Basilica of Our Lady of the Rosary, was built to commemorate these extraordinary events in 1928; and the Vatican officially recognized the children's visions in 1939, when papal indulgences were granted to pilgrims travelling to Fatima. The 13th of each month is still today an important date of pilgrimage to Fatima, remembering the date Our Lady appeared to the three shepherd children.

Miracle of Hope:

This Sunday we celebrate the Solemnity of the Ascension marking 40 days since the celebration of Jesus' Resurrection. Jesus showed Himself in several different ways, sometimes in His Resurrected Body and other times as a gardener or wayfarer. All of this was done to help the Apostles and Disciples come to realize that even though they witnessed his horrible death, he had been raised from the dead & truly lives. They were filled with the value of faith, indicating that with God, all things were possible. Soon He would leave them again, this time to sit at His Father's right hand. He promised them that He would not abandon them, but that he would send the Advocate – the Holy Spirit. The Apostles were asked to develop & grow in the virtue of Hope. The Solemnity of the Ascension is commonly referred to as the Miracle of Hope. The Holy Spirit would infuse their very souls, taking away their fear & transforming them into stronger & more peaceful people, sending them forth to preach the Gospel of Christ with fidelity & constancy. We all go through trials at times but Easter & the Feast of the Ascension are reminding us that the Lord hasn't abandoned us. He is promising that we will rise from this trial stronger, filled with the virtues of faith, hope & love. The Lord is asking us to place all of our hope in his promise, that He will send the Holy Spirit to be our consoler & healer, opening our hearts to become the very presence of the Risen Lord, showing everyone in our lives that with God all things are possible.

Fr. Jude Brady

