

# Easter Sunday of the Lord's Resurrection



Rosary Monday to Friday Clonmellon 9.35am followed by Mass @ 10am

"Christ is risen, alleluia!" This is the ancient Christian greeting on this day of great joy & happiness for all. "Easter is not simply one feast among others, but the 'Feast of Feasts'. The mystery of the Resurrection, in which Christ crushed death, permeates with its powerful energy our old time, until all is subjected to him.

The celebration of Easter is prolonged throughout the Easter season.

The fifty days from Easter Sunday to Pentecost Sunday are celebrated as one feast day, the 'great Sunday'

## Rest in Peace;

Tom Lynch (10yr) Kilskyre  
Pat Gleeson, Dublin

**KILLALLON: Sun 10am:**

**CLONMELLON: Sun 11.30am:** Anniv. Barbara Elliot. Anniv. Jimmy McQuaid & d.f.m.



**Mon - St. Anselm Fri - St. Mark**

**Second Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy)**

**KILLALLON: Sun 10am:**

**CLONMELLON: Sun 11.30am:** Anniv. John & Pat Brady. Anniv. Margaret O' Reilly. Anniv. Bridget & Pat Lynch & d.f.m..  
Anniv. John & Kathleen Carr, Ina Valerino



**Sacraments: First Holy Communion Sun 11<sup>th</sup> May 11.30am Clonmellon**

**Cemetery Devotions:** Sun June 1<sup>st</sup> Killallon, Archerstown & Sun. June 8<sup>th</sup> Clonarnay, Clonmellon

**Today is Easter Offering Day**



## Thought for the Day - The day of resurrection!

Earth, tell it out abroad. The Passover of gladness, the Passover of God.

From death to life eternal, from earth unto the sky, our Christ hath brought us over, with hymns of victory.

Our hearts be pure from evil, that we may see aright. The Lord in rays eternal of resurrection light. And listening to his accents, may hear, so calm and plain, his own 'All hail!' and, hearing, may raise the victor strain. Now let the heavens be joyful! Let earth the song begin! Let the round world keep triumph, and all that is therein! Let all things seen and unseen their notes in gladness blend, for Christ the Lord hath risen, our joy that hath no end. - **St John of Damascus**

## Seeing your life through the lens of the Gospel -

It is the 'first day of the week'. Mary Magdalene is the first witness of an event which marks not just the beginning of a new week but the transformation of human history. But 'it is still dark' and she does not yet understand what has happened. I ponder the mystery.

Wherever we share compassion, justice, reconciliation, faith, and encourage each other to be people of hope, we are people of the resurrection and ministers of the resurrection. Jesus is raised from death each time we live his way of life. We do this in our various ways of showing care and concern for the lives and troubles of others. Easter prayer can be an asking in prayer to be ministers of the resurrection, as we discern how best to serve the risen Lord.

The tomb was empty and, for the faithful ones, this was a sign of new life. Some would remember Jesus saying he would rise from death. Others would feel down, cheated or just lost. It is the same with ourselves: the tough times of life can bring us close to God, or distance us; suffering can make us better people, or make us bitter and isolated. We may feel a bit of both at times. The empty tomb is the message that nothing is final in this life, not even death. God's love is stronger than any human power, violence or cruelty. Love conquers all.

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**Blessed Carlo Acutis will be canonized next Sunday April 27<sup>th</sup> (first saint of the new Millennium)**

Please pray to him to intercede for our families and the young people of our parish and all who are ill.

**We wish all our parishioners a happy & blessed Easter**

