

Pentecost Sunday

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

As we celebrate this great feast of the Church's fifty days after the resurrection of Jesus, how have we been a sign of reconciliation in our families, in our world, and among people of faith everywhere?

Have we been an instrument of God's peace to everyone we meet?





KILLALLON: Sun 10am: Anniv. Margaret & Peter Cooke & Mary Toner CLONMELLON: Sun 11.30am: Anniv. James & Mary Reilly, Anniv. Sheila Connell



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CLONMELLON: Sun 11.30am: M.M. Bridie Clyne, 1st Anniv. Seamus Gavigan. Anniv. Margaret Swaine

Adoration: Every Monday 2.30pm - 8pm Clonmellon Church

Baptism: 1st and 3rd Saturdays, 11am in Clonmellon

Cemetery Devotions: Sun. June 8th Clonarney 7pm, Clonmellon 8pm - please tend to the graves if you can.

Invitation to the parish to participate in our Corpus Christi celebrations 22nd June 2025 After Mass at 11.30am on Sunday 22nd June, we plan on having our Corpus Christi procession and would like everyone, young and old (children, parents & grandparents) from every townsland in our parish to be part of the celebration this year. More details to follow...



<u>A Fore Deanery Jubilee Year</u> celebration taking place at *Fore Abbey Please is now on Sun 31st Aug at 4pm* outside the Abbey ruin. There will be Exposition and Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament. After, the Silverstream Monks will lead Evening Prayer in Fore Parish Church. Refreshments will be served in the Fore Coffee Shop to end the evening.

Meath Diocesan 2025 Pilgrimage to Lourdes 9-14Sept. Led by Bishop Deenihan. Fr. Moore & the Deanery have noticed that the number of pilgrims travelling has fallen in recent times so Meath Diocesan Lourdes Hospitality Group have met and are appealing to people to travel on this pilgrimage. There will be a small subsistence of the fare available to those eager to travel but short in finance. There will also be medical assistance provided to those invalided. Full details on Notice Boards & Joe Walsh Tours, tel: 01-2410800 or www.joewalshtours.ie.

POINTS TO PONDER:

More than a century ago, a great sailing ship was stranded off the coast of South America. Week after week the ship lay there in the still waters with not a hint of a breeze. The captain was desperate; the crew was dying of thirst. And then, on the far horizon, a steamship appeared, headed directly toward them. As it drew near, the captain called out, 'We need water! Give us water!' The steamship replied, 'Lower your buckets where you are.' The captain was furious at this cavalier response but called out again, 'Please give us water.' But the steamer gave the same reply, 'Lower your buckets where you are!' And with that they sailed away! The captain was beside himself with anger and despair, and he went below. But a little later, when no one was looking, a yeoman lowered a bucket into the sea and then tasted what he brought up: It was perfectly sweet, fresh water! For you see, the ship was just out of sight of the mouth of the Amazon. And for all those weeks they had been sitting right on top of all the fresh water they needed! What we are really seeking is already inside us, waiting to be discovered, waiting to be embraced: The Holy Spirit of God, living within us from the moment of our Baptism. The Holy Spirit is saying to us at this very moment from deep in our heart, 'Lower your buckets where you are. Taste and see!' Come, Holy Spirit! Fill our hearts and set us on fire! - Fr Anthony Kadavil - Vatican News



REFLECTION:

The Feast of Pentecost reminds us that there is an important connection between the gifts of peace and forgiveness and the action of the Holy Spirit. We are reminded that the Church is called to be God's reconciling presence in the world. This reconciling presence is also to be a way of life for Christians. In situations of conflict, we are to be agents of peace and harmony among all people. Jesus greets his disciples with the gift of peace 'Peace be with you,' he says. Jesus then commissions his disciples to continue the work that he has begun: 'As the Father has sent me, so I send you.' He breathes the Holy Spirit upon the disciples and sends them to continue his work of reconciliation through the forgiveness of sins. Both the Greek and Hebrew words for 'spirit' can also be translated as 'breath.' As we celebrate this great feast of the Church's

fifty days after the resurrection of Jesus, how have we been a sign of reconciliation in our families, in our world, and among people of faith everywhere? Have we been an instrument of God's peace to everyone we meet? **Spiritans.org Intercom June 2025**

PRAYER BEFORE EXAMINATIONS Loving God, be with me now as I prepare for my exams. Thank you for the many talents, gifts and the opportunity of education you have given me. Calm my nerves and anxiety, help me to remember all that I have studied, to express it clearly and to answer the questions to the best of my ability. Holy Spirit, be with me in my exams – and always. Amen. 'Do not be anxious about anything but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God.' (Philippians 4:6)

A Blessing of St Columba - See that you be at peace among yourselves, my children, and love one another. Follow the example of good people of old, and God will comfort you and help you, both in this world and in the world which is to come. Amen.

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