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CLUSTER MASS TIMES

Saturday:		Sunday:		Sunday:	
Roscrea	6.30pm	Roscrea	8.30am	Roscrea	10.30am
Ballaghmore	7.30pm	Barna	9.30am	Clonakenny	11.00am
Dunkerrin	8.00pm	Knock	9.30am	Moneygall	11.00am
Couraguneen	8.00pm	Camblin	10.00am	Roscrea	12 noon

Mass Intentions This Week

Roscrea

Sat 30th Apr 6.30pm: First Anniversary Mass for Bridie Delaney, Abbey Street; Anniv Mass for Debbie England.

Sun 1st May 12noon: Anniv Mass for Patricia Greene.

Tue 3rd May 10am: Anniv Mass for Margaret Fitzpatrick.

Fri 6th May 6.30pm: Anniv Mass for Willie John & Mary Wright, their daughter Mary-Ann & her husband Nico Knoester.

Sat 7th May 10am: Anniv Mass for John Maher & Deceased Members of the Maher & Somers Families.

6.30pm: Months Mind & Mass Card Mass for Kathleen Murphy; Months Mind & Mass Card Mass for Statia Ryan; Anniv Mass for Denis Delaney, Demesne; Anniv Mass for George Johnson, Late of Railway View.

Sun 8th May 8.30am: Anniv Mass for Tom Harte; Anniv Mass for Billy & Lil Moloughney. **10.30am:** Months Mind & Mass Card Mass for Angela Molloy; Anniv Mass for Noel & Alan Monahan. **12noon:** Anniv Mass for George & Margaret Fletcher; Anniv Mass for Steven Carney.

Ballaghmore

Sat 30th Apr 7.30pm: Anniv Mass for Joseph Grady.

Knock

Sun 1st May 9.30am: Anniv Mass for Paddy & Mary Sullivan.

Sun 8th May 9.30am: Anniv Mass for Deceased Members of the Hennessy Family.

Couraguneen

Sat 30th Apr 8pm: Months Mind Mass for David Talbot.

Fri 6th May 8pm: Mass.

Clonakenny

Sun 1st May 11am: Anniv Mass for Patrick Maher.

Mon 2nd May 8pm: Mass.

Sun 8th May 11am: Anniv Mass for Pat Maher, Shragh & Deceased Members of the Maher Family.

We remember in our prayers those who have died:

Helen Hynes, Golden Grove Road

Mary Rooney, née Gilmartin (Ballaghmore)

Sheila O'Connor, née O'Dwyer, Birr

Tony Nevin, Birr (Ballaghmore)

Sr. Mary Gertrude Kennedy, Parkmore

Note: Mass Times Dunkerrin & Moneygall

Sunday 1st May 11am – First Holy Communion Moneygall

Saturday 7th May 8pm – Vigil Mass is on in Moneygall

Sun 8th May 11am – First Holy Communion Mass Dunkerrin

Eucharistic Adoration – St. Cronan's:

Eucharistic Adoration continues at *St. Joseph's Altar after 10am Mass Monday to Friday*. Out of reverence for the Blessed

Sacrament & also as a safety measure, it is essential that there are people present during this time of EXPOSITION.

ITEMS FOR THE NEWSLETTER

SHOULD BE SUBMITTED

TO THE PARISH OFFICE

BEFORE 1PM EACH WEDNESDAY PLEASE

Readers – Sunday 8th May

Roscrea:

6.30pm (Vigil)

Folk Group

8.30am

B Coclough

10.30am

A Dooley

12.00noon

J O'Dwyer

Camblin: 10am

D Heenan

Couraguneen: 8pm

V O'Meara

Clonakenny: 11am

A Murray

Ministers of the Eucharist – Sunday 8th May

Roscrea:

6.30pm (Vigil)

P Carry, A Delahunty, A Guilfoyle

8.30am

A McManus, R Mulrooney, T Carroll

10.30am

Maureen Ryan, Mgt Ryan, A Delaney

12.00noon

E Lupton, M Kavanagh, J McMahon

Camblin: 10am

M Fitzgerald

Couraguneen: 8pm (Vigil)

M Coonan

Clonakenny: 11am

M Greed

Rotas for Readers & Ministers of the Eucharist for both Couraguneen & Clonakenny are due to expire at the end of this month – should you wish to take up either ministry, or should you be unable to continue,

please contact any of the Priests or the Parish Office.

We extend our sincere thanks to all who minister in all of our parishes in different ways.

First Friday

Mass will be celebrated as follows:

Roscrea 10am & 6.30pm; Couraguneen 8pm.

Fatima Prayers before 10am Mass on Saturday in Roscrea.

Parish Prayer Book

Following our request for people to submit prayers to be compiled into a Prayer Book for use in our Parish Churches, we are pleased to have our Prayer Book completed.

We hope that it will serve as a useful aid for all who visit our Churches. We request that you do not remove the Prayer Book from the Church, but should you wish to obtain any of the prayers therein, please contact the Parish Office.

Thank you to all who submitted prayers for inclusion.

First Holy Communion

We congratulate the Second Class students from Gaelscoil an t-Slí Dála who received their First Holy Communion this weekend. We extend good wishes to the Second Class students from Scoil Chrónáin Naofa Dromakeenan & Sacred Heart Primary School who will receive their First Holy Communion next Saturday, 7th May.

Night Vigil to Knock Shrine

Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine (Night Vigil) will take place on *Friday 6th May* commencing at 9pm to midnight. Bus will accommodate Pilgrims leaving Dunkerrin at 4.30pm and Roscrea at 4.45pm (from Car Park at back of Old Tesco).

Fare: Adults €15; Students €7.

Booking Roscrea: Mgt 087 150 9522 or Mary 086 4055570 or any member of the Legion of Mary. Please book early.

Safeguarding Children

The month of May has been dedicated to emphasising the importance of safeguarding children. Children have a key place in the heart of Jesus who said: “whoever does not receive the Kingdom of God like a child shall not enter it.” This places sacred obligation on the Church to ensure that children are welcomed, cherished & protected in a manner consistent with their central place in the life of the Church.

Talk on Spirituality

“Your Kingdom Come” – Talk on Spirituality of Justice, Peace & the Integrity of Creation by Fr. Gearóid Ó Conaire, a Franciscan Friar, will take place in the Obama Plaza, Moneygall on *Monday 9th May at 8pm*. All are welcome.

Roscrea Bereavement Support Group

Next drop-in session: *Friday 6th May 11am* in the Parish Centre, Abbey Street, Roscrea. For more info: 085-1918550.

Christian Aid Coffee Morning & Cake Sale

In support of Christian Aid, helping the world's poor help themselves, in the Methodist Church Hall on *Fri May 6th, 10.30am to 12noon*. Do come along & bring friends!

NEW EXIT ROADWAY – St. Cronan's

Our new one-way system is now open. Please enter the church yard as in the past, but **EXIT ONLY** along the new road by the river.

Congratulations!

Heartiest congratulations to **Bishop Willie Walsh** on the launch of his book, *No Crusader*, this week.

An inspiring read which will be enjoyed by all!

We extend our thanks and congratulations also to all who were involved in the **St. Cronan Pilgrim Walk**. It was a most uplifting spiritual experience for all present.

A special word of thanks to the organising committee.

Well done also to all who were involved in **Roscrea Musical Society's** production of *The Addams Family*. Wishing the Society continued success.

May – The Month of Mary

May is the Month of Mary, in which we pray to Our Lady in a special way. Traditionally homes & classrooms were adorned with a May Altar to Mary.

Stories in the New Testament about Mary paint a picture of a simple & unassuming, yet strong & virtuous, woman.

The following is a powerful novena, which is reported to be one of Pope Francis' favourite novenas. Sometimes when we pray for something & it doesn't happen, we can despair that our prayers weren't answered. This novena leads us in prayer to Mary, to untie the “knots” of our lives – when these knots are untied, God brings us to what He knows is best for us.

Prayer to Our Lady Untier of Knots

Holy Mary, full of God's presence during the days of your life, you accepted with full humility the Father's will, and the devil was never capable to tie you around with his confusion.

Once with your son, you interceded for our difficulties, and full of kindness and patience,

gave us example of how to untie the knots of our life.

By remaining forever our Mother, you put in order, and make more clear, the ties that link us to the Lord.

Holy Mary, Mother of God, and our Mother, to you, who untie with motherly heart the knots of our life, we pray to you to receive in your hands (*name person*) and to free him/her of the knots and confusion with which our enemy attacks.

Through your grace, your intercession, and your example, deliver us from all evil Our Lady, and untie the knots that prevent us from being united with God, so that we, free from

sin and error, may find Him in all things,

may have our hearts placed in Him, and

may serve Him always in our brothers and sisters. Amen.

Pieta House 5K Run/Walk - Roscrea

The Darkness into Light Fundraiser for Pieta House will take place on *Saturday May 7th*.

Pieta House is the centre for the prevention of suicide & self-harm & we are most fortunate to have this much-needed facility here in Roscrea.

The event will start at *4.15am from the Abbey Hall, Roscrea*.

Registration can be done online now or at our shop on Main Street on *4th, 5th & 6th May*. Please come along & support.

Vacancy–Roscrea CE Forum

A vacancy currently exists for a General Operative – no experience necessary as accredited training will be provided.

Duties to include: litter picking, planting & maintenance of public open spaces, painting, re-building walls & weed-control in Roscrea town. Immediate start. (*Note: applicants must be in receipt of payment from Department of Social Protection for at least 12mths and be over 25years*)

Contact Paddy 086-1715580 or 31796.

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