



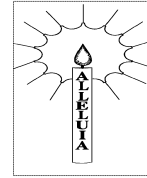
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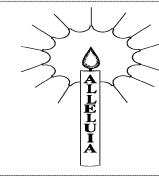
Moycullen Parish Newsletter

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4th Sunday of Easter
(Vocation Sunday)
7th May 2017



Mass Times:

Saturday Evening:
8pm (Vigil Mass)

Sunday Morning:
10am & 12 noon

Weekday Mass:
9.30am Tues to Fri.

Holydays:
8pm (Vigil Mass)
& 12 noon

Baptisms:

12.45pm on 1st
and 3rd Sundays,
2 weeks notice

Marriages:

3 months notice for
Church & State

Pre-Marriage

Course:

Book 1 year in
advance

Confession:

At any time
by request

Adoration:

Tues 8pm-9pm,
Wed 8pm-9pm,
Fri 10am-11am and
Sunday night with
Rosary 7pm

Lectio Divina:

Mondays at 8pm in
Aiséiri

Coeliacs:

May receive from
Chalice at the Altar

Parish Office

(Aiséiri):

Open 10am-1pm
Monday-Friday
(91) 555106

Bethany

Bereavement:

Contact:
087-7633101
Mon-Sun 7pm-9pm

SVP: 091-563233.

MASS INTENTION:

Sat 6 8pm • **Memorial:** Helen O'Connor, Boston & Tullokyne
• Mike & Sarah Faherty, Knockaurranny
• Bridgie & Michael-Joe MacDonough & Dec'd family,
Leagau

Sun 7 10am • Joseph Lydon & his mother Kathleen Hession
Gorthacoohree
• Harold Hannon, Pennsylvania, USA

• People of the Parish & Diocese

Mon 8 • **No Mass**

Tue 9 9:30am • **No Mass**

Wed 10 9:30am • **No Mass**

Thu 11 9:30am • **No Mass**

Fri 12 9:30am • **No Mass**

Sat 13 8pm • Sarah, Tom & Martin Keady, Thounaghbegga
• Lucy Treacy, Killrainey (2nd Anniv)
• Mary & Philip Flaherty, Lissagurran

Sun 14 10am • Paddy Burke, Clooniff
• Michael Bohan, Clooniff
• Jimmy Walsh, Lealetter (2nd Anniv)

• **M/M:** Martin-Joe Cooke, Pine Grove &
People of the Parish & Diocese

Please pray for recently deceased;

• Dr. Fionuala Galvin-Campbell, Uggool & Knocknacarra

Church Cleaning: Poulhacough

Altar Servers: *This week:* Team 2 *Next Week:* Team 1

Counters: *This week:* Della Cooke & Kieran Audley.
Next week: Frank Downs & Tom Duffy.

Readers: *This Week:* Next Week:
8pm: Mary-Anne Feeney. Steven Ellis.
10am: Peter Tobin. Ann Marie Walsh.
12noon: Maureen Lydon. Kate Rodgers.

Eucharistic Ministers for May:

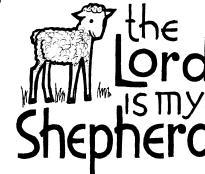
8pm: Phil Harte & Mary Sweeney.
10am: Sharon Flynn & Anne Lyons.
12noon: James Cooley, Brian & Sarah Stewart.

Offertory: €1300.

NB: Altar Servers & Eucharistic Ministers needed for both Confirmation Ceremonies; 11am & 3:30pm on Fri 19th May.
Please sign sheet in Sacristy or call 555106 to volunteer. Thank you.

Theme— The Mass

What is distinctive about our faith as Christians? We do not believe in a system of ideas or even in a higher ethics: we believe in a person, who gives life "a new horizon and a decisive direction" (Benedict XVI). John's Gospel makes this clear with its great **I Am** sentences, one of which we hear today: "*I am the gate*". Naturally, we think the gate to what? The gate to **life to the full**. The risk today is to set our expectations low, to be happy with less. But the Gospel calls not to be half alive, but to be fully alive. Let us enter by the gate himself, because the gate to life is always open.



Reflection

Prayer at a Child's First Communion

Lord Jesus Christ, in the Sacrament of the Eucharist You left us the outstanding manifestation of your limitless love for us.

Thank You for giving our child the opportunity to experience this love in receiving the Sacrament for the first time. May your Eucharist presence keep him/her ever free from sin, fortified in faith, pervaded by love for God and neighbour, and fruitful in virtue, that he/she may continue to receive You throughout life and attain final union with You at death. Amen.

Notice Board

2nd Collection THIS Wknd at all masses for: Clerical Students. This collection helps to fund the education of student priests for our Diocese. There are 2 men

currently in formation. The expense of promoting vocations, i.e., publicity material, workshops & events, is also sourced from this collection.

Coffee Morning/Bake Sale TODAY, 7 May, 10am-2pm, Aras Uilinn, for Zambian Volunteer Nurse Project. Local Student Nurse self funded work placement in Ndola Hospital, as part of her studies. Please support.

Maigh Cuilinn Comhaltas will host; **Connacht Fleadh** in NIIG on 7/8/9 July & urgently need volunteers. If you are interested in helping; **Meeting in The Forge, Wed 10 May @ 8pm.** It's a great weekend.

Fashion show for Galway Hospice. Raised: €1,615.

"Thank you" to everyone who helped in any way.

Age Action—Meeting for older people & local elected representatives in; **Westwood Hotel, Fri 12th May, 11am-1pm.** Budget 2018- main priorities will be discussed. Come along & have your say. To reg, email: socialinclusion@ageaction.ie or Naomi : 01-4756989. Refreshments served.

O AFC (Oughterard Soccer Club) -Mega Raffle on Sat 13th May - 1st prize €5000 cash! Tickets: Sweeney's & Coach House - all support greatly appreciated.

Lough Derg 2017:- 1 Day Retreats Season opens: Mon 1 May. Retreats continue; **May 6, 7, 9, 13, 14, 16, 20, 21, 22, 27, 28 & 29.** Advance booking essential. PH: 071-9861518 or email info@loughderg.org. The 3 Day Pilgrimage season starts: **Thur 1 June, no booking required.** Walk in the spiritual footsteps of your ancestors & be part of the unbroken link of Lough Derg as a place of continuous prayer for over 1,500 years.

Galway Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock, led by Canon MI. McLoughlin, **Sun 28th May.** If there is enough local interest a Bus will be arranged, if not; there will be a bus leaving the Cathedral at 11am on the day. See poster.

Easter Dues envelopes available at the back of the church. Their return is much appreciated as the main source of income for the priest. Fr. Michael sincerely thanks you for your continued support.

NB: 'Do this in Memory' Children's Choir practice is suspended until Wed 7th June.

Items for the Newsletter should be delivered, in writing or e-mail, by 1pm Thursday evening.
Please note: Items are included based on availability of space, and should be brief and to the point.