### **NEWSLETTER**

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# Sunday April 20th 2025

# The Resurrection of the Lord

### The Journey to the empty tomb



So Peter set out with the other disciple to go to the tomb. They ran together, but the other disciple, running faster than Peter, reached the tomb first; he bent down and saw the linen cloths lying on the ground, but did not go in. John 20:2-8

The journey began much earlier, those callers to the tomb on that first Easter morning had spent some years with Jesus as he journeyed to Jerusalem for what awaited, his arrest, torture and ultimate walk up Calvary to his crucifixion .. Even though warned along the way that something of this nature awaited him in Jerusalem, they couldn't have been prepared for what had taken place ... now, talk of an empty tomb, Jesus alive ... just as he HAD told them.

One take away from the story as told in St John's Gospel is the sense of companionship of the TWO disciples, their different pace and the acknowledgement that one had more lived experience than the other and so the younger waited in those final moments so they BOTH could experience this moment of epiphany together.

All roads before and during the climb of Calvary led to the empty tomb of Easter. The promise fulfilled.

All of us need to recognise the journey .. the climb .. the pace (slow or fast) a journey that doesn't need to be alone, aware of another who might lead the way for the

final steps. Our Lenten journey might mirror our very life journey, moments of strengthened faith collided by moments when torturous experiences of rejection, failure, world's chaos, bereavement, slows us on our own Calvary slope blinded by summit's crucifixion unable to envision the 'empty tomb'.

We are in the middle of this Jubilee year of hope, pilgrims of hope, challenged to journey 'TOGETHER' and wait for each other should our pace slacken. Together THEY SAW and they believed.

With similar encouragement ... can we believe, we too can see and we too can believe.

#### **ENCOURAGEMENT**

One of the most beautiful gifts in the world is the gift of encouragement. When someone encourages you, that person helps you over a threshold you might otherwise never have crossed on your own. There are times of great uncertainty in every life. Left alone at such a time, you feel dishevelment and confusion like gravity. When a friend comes with words of encouragement, a light and lightness visit you and you begin to find the stairs and the door out of the dark. The sense of encouragement you feel from the friend is not simply her words or gestures; it is rather her whole presence enfolding you and helping you find the concealed door. The encouraging presence manages to understand you and put herself in your shoes. There is no judgment but words of relief and release.

#### JOHN O'DONOHUE

In this Jubilee year of hope, can we be pilgrims of hope together, living this call as we 'walk on with hope in our hearts' ENCOURAGING each other as people of Gospel JOY.

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### **Mass of Anniversaries**

May 3rd

Tubber 6.30pm , Dysart 8pm May 4th

Ballinruan 9.30am, Kilnaboy 9.30am

May 11th

Rath 9.30am

Please contact Imeall Boirne Office with names of your loved ones to be included in the Mass of Anniversaries.

## Baptisms in Imeall Boirne Pastoral Area

Baptisms will take place on Saturdays from 2pm rotating between all four parishes. Please contact Imeall Boirne Office for more details.

### <u>Killaloe & Limerick Diocese</u> <u>Gathering</u>

In response to the Universal Synod's invitation to engage with those who feel 'excluded or judged because of their marital situation, identity or sexuality.' A working group has focused particularly on LGBTQI+ and is a collaboration between the dioceses of Limerick and Killaloe. We are now delighted to announce that a that a gathering for prayer and reflection will take place on **Thursday 1**st **May, at** 

# 7.30p.m. in the JPII Oratory at the Crescent Shopping Centre.

This gathering will include an opportunity to meet, listen and pray together and welcomes LGBTQI+ people, along with family members and allies.

Clare Older People's Volunteer of the Year Award 2025 -the search is on to recognise those who give their time, energy and skills to help others in the local community. Download the nomination form, and submit by 2<sup>nd</sup> May, 2025. <a href="https://www.clarecoco.ie/.../age.../age-friendly-county/">https://www.clarecoco.ie/.../age.../age-friendly-county/</a>

#### Thought for the Week

"Easter is a demonstration of God that life is essentially spiritual and timeless".

Charles M. Crowe.

### Priest on call this week

Fr. Pat O'Neill 065 6827799 / 086 2612124



Fr Des Hillery 065-6827018/ 087-6083136

### **Imeall Bóirne Office**

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### **Lay Ministry / Pastoral Care**

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### Easter Ceremonies

Easter Vigil Saturday April 19th

Ruan 7pm, Crusheen 7pm

Rath 9pm, Tubber 9pm

Easter Sunday April 20th

Dawn Mass 6am Killawinna, Crusheen

Dysart 9.30am, Boston 9.30am

Corofin I Iam

A big thank-you to all who prepared and led our Holy Week Ceremonies.

#### **Priests' Easter Collection**

-taking place at all masses this weekend. We are most grateful for the generosity and support we receive from parishioners and all those who visit our churches Thank-you

### **Easter Holy Water**

This Easter as part of care for our environment we will cease distributing plastic bottles so as to help our environment. Please bring your own receptible and Easter Holy Water will be available in all our churches. Thank-you

### **trōcaire**

Trocaire boxes/envelopes can returned at ceremonies over the Easter Weekend . Thank-you for your contribution, your help really does makes a difference!

### Imeall Boirne Coordinating Team

Meeting on Thursday May 8th at 8pm in Tubber Hall

# Safeguarding Training & Support

### Saturday May 3rd Oakwood Arms , Shannon 11am-3pm

Training for those involved in ministry with children (e.g. altar server supervisors, Pray & Play Volunteers)

### Wednesday May 14th Kilrush Golf Club 6.30pm-8.30pm

Refresher Training for those involved in ministry with children who haven't attended training for 3 years.

### Tuesday May 6th 6.30pm-8.30pm Parish Centre Ennis

Support Meeting for Safeguarding Reps Full details and booking forms available on imeallboirne.ie

# Burren Outdoor Retreat. Saturday 17th to Monday 19th May

Would you like to come on a guided journey through the Burren with its limestone pavements, rare flora and ancient sacred sites? Let the beauty of the amazing Burren landscape renew you in body and soul Information: Mary 087 9701130

Booking: Des 085 1614951

### Bereavement Support Information Talk

will take place in Milford Care Centre, Limerick V94 H795 Tue 29<sup>th</sup> April 2025 from 7pm - 8.30pm.

General information on grief and bereavement to bereaved people, their family and friends.

### Corofin / Kilnaboy / Rath

Holy Saturday April 19th Rath 9pm Easter Vigil

Easter Sunday April 20th Corofin 11am The Resurrection of The Lord

Morning Masses

Corofin: Monday/ Thursday / Friday at 9:30am Adoration of the Eucharist Corofin each Friday 10:00 am - 5 pm Adoration of the Eucharist Corofin each Fri 10:00 am - 5 pm

Sunday April 27th Rath 9.30am Mary McGrath RIP Month's Mind

Corofin 11am Mary Kenny RIP 1st Anniversary

**Corofin Dramatic Society** Announcing Three final performances of The Weir . April 25th, 26th and May 4th at 8pm, Corofin Hall. Last chance to view this wonderful production before the All Ireland Finals in May. Best of Luck!!

Festival of Finn Takes place May Bank Holiday Weekend . Music, storytelling, talks, guided walks, children's events and more.

### Accounts 2024

Copies of Parish Accounts 2024 are available at the church entrances and on imeallboirne.ie. A sincere word of thanks to all involved in the financial Management of the parishes and in the compilation of the 2024 Accounts.

### Tubber / Boston

Holy Saturday April 19th Tubber 9pm Easter Vigil

Easter Sunday April 20th Boston 9.30am The Resurrection of The Lord

> Morning Mass: Tubber Church on Friday at 9.30am Adoration of the Eucharist **Tubber** Tuesday 7pm - 8pm

Saturday April 26th **Boston 6.30pm** Mass for the People

Tubber V Gort, 140 year commemoration match, Tubber Pitch, 2pm 4th May 2025. A fun afternoon for all the family. All welcome

Rest in Peace

John Clune, Ballinruan

Gone no further than God and God is very

### Ruan / Dysart

Holy Saturday April 19th Ruan 7pm Easter Vigil

Easter Sunday April 20th Dysart 9.30am The Resurrection of The Lord Monday April 21st Dysart 7pm David Morgan RIP Month's Mind

Morning Masses

Dysart: Wednesday at 9.30am Ruan: Thursday at 9.30am Adoration of the Eucharist **Dysart** - Wednesday from 10:00am to 1 pm

Ruan - Wednesday from 3:00 pm to 7:00 pm.

Saturday April 26th Ruan 8pm Mass for the People

Alzheimer's Tea Morning Thursday May 1st, 9am-12 noon Ruan Community Hall. Join us for the best Cup of Tea & some home baking! Your kindness can make all the difference in the world to someone living with dementia. All support greatly appreciated.

### Crusheen / Ballinruan

Holy Saturday April 19th Crusheen 7pm Easter Vigil

Easter Sunday April 20th Killawinna 6am Dawn Mass Morning Mass

Crusheen Tuesday & Wednesday 9:30am Adoration of the Eucharist Crusheen Thurs 10:00am to 9:00pm

Sunday April 27th Crusheen 9.30am Mass for the People

### Easter Reflection

God of Life,

You roll away the heavy stone of suffering and death from our lives, and call us out of our tombs towards the light and hope of resurrection.

Lift the weight of the hard and painful times of our lives and light our path toward the goodness and freedom that lie ahead. We thank you for walking with us on our Lenten journey and praise you once again for bringing new life out of death. Like the woman at the tomb on Easter morning, make us faithful witnesses of the resurrection

Thank-you for your recent donations and continued support

# Scripture Readings Easter Sunday The Resurrection of The Lord

### A reading from the Acts of the Apostles Acts 10:34.37-43

Peter addressed Cornelius and his house hold:
'You must have heard about the recent happenings in Judea; about Jesus of Nazareth and how he began in Galilee, after John had been preaching baptism. God had anointed him with the Holy Spirit and with power, and because God was with him, Je sus went about doing good and curing all who had fallen into the power of the devil. Now I, and those with me, can witness to everything he did throughout the country-side of Judea and in Jerusalem it self: and also to the fact that they killed him by hanging him on a tree, yet three days afterwards God raised him to life and allowed him to be seen, not by the whole people but only by certain witnesses God

Now we are those witnesses - we have eaten and drunk with him after his resurrection from the dead - and he has ordered us to proclaim this to his people and to tell them that God has appointed him to judge everyone, alive or dead. It is to him that all the prophets bear this witness: that all who believe in Jesus will have their sins forgiven through his name.'

The word of the Lord

### **Responsorial Psalm**

# Response: This day was made by the Lord; we rejoice and are glad.

Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, for his love has no end.

Let the sons of Israel say: "His love has no end." R

The Lord's right hand has triumphed; his right hand raised me up.
I shall not die, I shall live and recount his deeds. R

R.

The stone which the builders rejected has become the corner stone.
This is the work of the Lord, a marvel in our eyes.



### A reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Colossians Col 3: 1-4

Since you have been brought back to true life with Christ, you must look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is, sitting at God's right hand. Let your thoughts be on heavenly things, not on the things that are on the earth, because you have died, and now the life you have is hidden with Christ in God. But when Christ is revealed - and he is your life - you too will be revealed in all your glory with him.

The word of the Lord

### **Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, alleluia! Christ, our Passover, has been sacrificed; Let us celebrate the feast then, in the Lord. Alleluia!

# A reading from the holy Gospel according to John. John 20:1-9

It was very early on the first day of the week and still dark, when Mary of Magdala came to the tomb. She saw that the stone had been moved away from the tomb and came running to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus loved. 'They have taken the Lord out of the tomb' she said 'and we don't know where they have put him.' So Peter set out with the other disciple to go to the tomb. They ran together, but the other disciple, running fast er than Peter, reached the tomb first; he bent down and saw the linen cloths lying on the ground, but did not go in. Simon Peter who was following now came up, went right into the tomb, saw the linen cloths on the ground, and also the cloth that had been over his head; this was not with the linen cloths but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple who had reached the tomb first also went in; he saw and he believed. Till this moment they had failed to understand the teaching of scripture, that he must rise from the dead.

The Gospel of the Lord