

NEWSLETTER

IMEALL BÓIRNE MASS TIMES

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Sunday April 27th 2025

Divine Mercy Sunday

(Gospel - John 20: 19-31)

The difficulty – for want of a better word – about Easter is that for many it's associated with holidays and as these now come to an end, the cycle of work and life continues as normal, schools re-open and we move into the season of exams, Holy Communions, Weddings and whatever. But in church we will continue to celebrate the season of Easter, the Rising of Jesus and his appearances to those with whom he was intimately connected right up until the day of Pentecost in five weeks or thereabouts. This will continue while for so many the thoughts of celebrating Easter are being left behind, if not already gone.

Which is why reflecting on today's Gospel is so important – it is as dramatic and impacting as the Resurrection itself.

There are three clear elements in this Gospel of John.

- 1] Peace
- 2] Being Sent out on Mission and
- 3] Belief

And look how all of them are brought together.

Jesus breathes on them ... it recalls how God in the creation story of Genesis breathed life to make the first human. So now Jesus breathes new life into his people. His followers. It is post-Resurrection, post-Easter and they should be rejoicing.

Why are they afraid? Why do they have closed doors? All that Jesus had said would happen is happening, so they should be brave even before this.

Today, the Gospel speaks to you. Jesus breathes life into you, giving you peace – that's his peace we offer one another, not our own. That is what we must remember when offering the sign of peace at Mass. It's not your peace being offered; it is the great gift of Jesus himself and who are we to withhold it?

These words of Jesus inspired the faithful to live as we are told in the Acts of the Apostles. They inspired John to write the book of Revelation/ Apocalypse, a book that is open to much interpretation but nevertheless is about the glory of God shining through all the negativity of life.

The breath of Jesus gives us courage to go out and be courageous in living as Christians – that's not about preaching from the rooftops or on the streets. It's just courage to live our daily lives, to receive our daily bread, as Christians.



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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

May 17th

Boston 6.30pm, Ruan 8pm

May 18th

Crusheen 9.30am, Corofin 11am

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.

Thought For The Week

"Sometimes when you're in a dark place you think you've been buried, but actually, you've been planted."
Christine Caine.

Pope Francis RIP 1936 - 2025

"URBI ET ORBI" MESSAGE OF HIS HOLINESS POPE FRANCIS

EASTER 2025 Saint Peter's Square



Dear brothers and sisters, In the Lord's Paschal Mystery, death and life contended in a stupendous struggle, but the Lord now lives forever. He fills us with the certainty that we too are called to share in the life that knows no end, when the clash of arms and the rumble of death will be heard no more. Let us entrust ourselves to him, for he alone can make all things new (cf. Rev. 21:5)! Happy Easter to everyone!

Priests' Easter Collection Thank-you to all who gave so generously to the Priest's Easter Collection. Your kindness is very much appreciated.

Easter Ceremonies A sincere Mile Buiochas to all who worked so hard to prepare and lead our Easter celebrations. Our parishes in Imeall Boirne are blessed to have so many who give of their time to make our gatherings so meaningful and prayerful. May the Risen Lord bless each one who gave so generously of their time and talents in the living out of the Easter message.

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

Trocaire boxes/envelopes can be returned to our churches or to the Imeall Boirne Office. Thank-you for your contribution.

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

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

Refresher Training for those involved in ministry with children.

Tuesday May 6th 6.30pm-8.30pm Parish Centre Ennis Support Meeting for Safeguarding Reps Full details and booking forms available on imeallboirne.ie



Safeguarding
— KILLALOE —

Killaloe & Limerick Diocesan Gathering

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. A gathering for prayer and reflection will take place on

Thurs 1st May, at 7.30p.m. in the JPPII 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.

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 29th April 2025 from 7pm - 8.30pm. General information on grief and bereavement to bereaved people, their family and friends.

Corofin / Kilnaboy / Rath

Sunday April 27th

Rath 9.30am Mary McGrath RIP Month's Mind

Corofin 11am Mary Kenny RIP 1st Anniversary

Morning Masses

Corofin: Monday/ Thursday / Friday at 9:30am

Adoration of the Eucharist

Corofin each Friday 10:00 am - 5 pm

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Friday May 2nd

Corofin 8pm Mary Shannon RIP Month's Mind

Sunday May 4th

Kilnaboy 9.30am Mass of Anniversaries

Johnny McCarthy, Michael McCarthy

Corofin 11am Michael Egan RIP 1st Anniversary

St Bridgets Church Cleaning Monday April 28th after 9.30 Mass. Many thanks to all those involved in keeping our church clean and inviting. A warm welcome to all volunteers.

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

Festival of Finn As part of Féile Finne, Cumann Staire is Dúchais Chora Finne are hosting an illustrated talk by world renowned photographer and Corofin native Kenneth O'Halloran on the world through his lens on Thursday May 1 at 8.30 pm in Corofin Hall.

On Saturday May 3 Paul Minihan will lead a tour of the Moan-reel Ambush site. Meet at Hall to car pool at 11 .00 am but you must book this event which is free- on Eventbrite.

"ROADS, BÓITHRÍNS AND FOOTPATHS"

An Exhibition in Map Form of the Thoroughfares of Killinaboy at the X-PO Killinaboy Friday 25th April 2025 @ 8.00 p.m
Saturday 26th & Sunday 27th 2pm-5pm

Tubber / Boston

Saturday April 26th

Boston 6.30pm Mass for the People

Morning Mass:

Tubber Church on Friday at 9.30am

Adoration of the Eucharist

Tubber Tuesday 7pm - 8pm

Saturday May 3rd

Tubber 6.30pm Mass of Anniversaries

Anne Fogarty

Jarlath Fogarty

John Fogarty

Patrick Fogarty

Tubber V Gort, 140 year Commemoration Match-

Tubber Pitch, 2pm 4th May 2025. A fun afternoon for all the family. All welcome

Ruan / Dysart

Saturday April 26th

Ruan 8pm Mass for the People

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 May 3rd

Dysart 8pm Mass of Anniversaries

Nora & Kathleen O'Neill, Sr Cecilia O'Neill, Paddy Crowe, Deceased Members of the O'Donoghue Family (Drumina) Deceased Members of the O'Donoghue Family (Cappamore, Kinvara) Michael O'Donoghue (Cooraclare) Tom O'Donoghue (Surrey) Deceased Members of the Burns Family (Nuan,Ruan) Danny & Agnes Griffin , Pauline & David Smith, James Hogan, Johnny O'Donohue (Toonagh)

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.

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.

Crusheen / Ballinruan

Sunday April 27th

Crusheen 9.30am Mass for the People

Morning Mass

Crusheen Tuesday & Wednesday 9:30am

Adoration of the Eucharist

Crusheen Thurs 10:00am to 9:00pm

Sunday May 4th

Ballinruan 9.30am Mass of Anniversaries

Vincent Harte and deceased members of the Harte & Whelan Families.

TFI Local Link have made a bus route enhancement to Route C13 Ballinruan to Ennis via Crusheen, Barefield and Ballyalla. The new route will operate Friday and Saturday Ballinruan to Ennis €3 Crusheen to Ennis €2.50 For the full timetable visit www.localinklc.ie or phone 065 6719101

Rest in Peace

Donal Brohan, Ruan

Michael Hogan, Kilnaboy

Kathleen Collins, Kilnaboy



Gone no further than God and God is very near

*Thank-you for your recent
donations and continued support*

Scripture Readings Second Sunday of Easter

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles Acts 5:12-16

The faithful all used to meet by common consent in the Portico of Solomon. No one else ever dared to join them, but the people were loud in their praise and the numbers of men and women who came to believe in the Lord increased steadily. So many signs and wonders were worked among the people at the hands of the apostles that the sick were even taken out into the streets and laid on beds and sleeping-mats in the hope that at least the shadow of Peter might fall across some of them as he went past. People even came crowding in from the towns round about Jerusalem, bringing with them their sick and those tormented by unclean spirits, and all of them were cured.

The word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm

Response: 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'
Let the sons of Aaron say: 'His love has no end.'
Let those who fear the Lord say: 'His love has no end.' R

The stone which the builders rejected
has become the cornerstone.
This is the work of the Lord, a marvel in our eyes.
This day was made by the Lord: we rejoice and are glad. R

O Lord, grant us salvation; O Lord grant success.
Blessed in the name of the Lord is he who comes.
We bless you from the house of the Lord;
the Lord God is our light. R

A reading from the book of the Apocalypse Apo 1:9-13.17-19

My name is John, and through our union in Jesus I am your brother and share your sufferings, your kingdom, and all you endure. I was on the island of Patmos for having preached God's word and witnessed for Jesus; it was the Lord's day and the Spirit possessed me, and I heard a voice behind me, shouting like a trumpet, 'Write down all that you see in a book.' I turned round to see who had spoken to me, and when I turned I saw seven golden lamp-stands and, surrounded by them, a figure like the Son of man, dressed in a long robe tied at the

waist with a golden girdle. When I saw him, I fell in a dead faint at his feet, but he touched me with his right hand and said, 'Do not be afraid; it is I, the First and the Last; I am the Living One. I was dead and now I am to live for ever and ever, and I hold the keys of death and of the underworld. Now write down all that you see of present happenings and things that are still to come.'

The word of the Lord

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John Jn 20:19-31

In the evening of that same day, the first day of the week, the doors were closed in the room where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them. He said to them, 'Peace be with you,' and showed them his hands and his side. The disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord, and he said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father sent me, so am I sending you.' After saying this he breathed on them and said: 'Receive the Holy Spirit. For those whose sins you forgive, they are forgiven; for those whose sins you retain, they are retained.' Thomas, called the Twin, who was one of the Twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. When the disciples said, 'We have seen the Lord', he answered, 'Unless I see the holes that the nails made in his hands and can put my finger into the holes they made, and unless I can put my hand into his side, I refuse to believe.' Eight days later the disciples were in the house again and Thomas was with them. The doors were closed, but Jesus came in and stood among them. 'Peace be with you' he said. Then he spoke to Thomas, 'Put your finger here; look, here are my hands. Give me your hand; put it into my side. Doubt no longer but believe.' Thomas replied, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him: 'You believe because you can see me. Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe.' There were many other signs that Jesus worked and the disciples saw, but they are not recorded in this book. These are recorded so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing this you may have life through his name.

The Gospel of the Lord

