

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

When he calls on me, I will answer him; I will deliver him and give him glory, I will grant him length of days.

GREETING

In the name of the Father **Amen.**
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And with your spirit.

PENITENTIAL ACT

You raise the dead to life in the Spirit:
Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**
You bring pardon and peace to the sinner:
Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**
You bring light to those in darkness:
Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**
May almighty God have mercy on us.....
Amen.

OPENING PRAYER

Grant, almighty God, through the yearly observances of holy Lent, that we may grow in understanding of the riches hidden in Christ and by worthy conduct pursue their effects.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ....

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING Deuteronomy 26:4-10

A reading from the Book of Deuteronomy.

Moses said to the people: 'The priest shall take the panner from your hand and lay it before the altar of the Lord your God. Then, in the sight of the Lord your God, you must make this pronouncement:

'My father was a wandering Aramaean. He went down into Egypt to find refuge there, few in numbers; but there he became a nation, great, mighty, and strong. The Egyptians ill-treated us, they gave us no peace and inflicted harsh slavery on us. But we called on the Lord, the God of our fathers. The Lord heard our voice and saw our misery, our toil and our oppression; and the Lord brought us out of Egypt with mighty hand and out-stretched arm, with great terror, and with signs and wonders. He brought us here and gave us this land, a land where milk and honey flow. Here then I bring the first-fruits of the produce of the soil that you, Lord, have given me.' You must then lay them before the Lord your God, and bow down in the sight of the Lord your God.'

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 90:1-2.10-15

R. Be with me, O Lord, in my distress.

1. He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High and abides in the shade of the Almighty says to the Lord: 'My refuge, my stronghold, my God in whom I trust!' **[R]**

- Upon you no evil shall fall no plague approach where you dwell. For you has he commanded his angels, to keep you in all your ways. **[R]**
- They shall bear you upon their hands lest you strike your foot against a stone. On the lion and the viper you will tread and trample the young lion and the dragon. **[R]**
- His love he set on me, so I will rescue him; protect him for he knows my name. When he calls I shall answer: 'I am with you.' I will save him in distress and give him glory. **[R]**

SECOND READING Romans 10: 8-13

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

Scripture says: The word, that is the faith we proclaim, is very near to you, it is on your lips and in your heart. If your lips confess that Jesus is Lord and if you believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, then you will be saved. By believing from the heart you are made righteous; by confessing with your lips you are saved. When scripture says: those who believe in him will have no cause for shame, it makes no distinction between Jew and Greek: all belong to the same Lord who is rich enough, however many ask for his help, for everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory! Man does not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God. Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory!



GOSPEL Luke 4:1-13

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Jesus left the Jordan and was led by the Spirit through the wilderness, being tempted there by the devil for forty days. During that time he ate nothing and at the end he was hungry. Then the devil said to him, 'If you are the Son of God, tell this stone to turn into a loaf.' But Jesus replied, 'Scripture says: Man does not live on bread alone.' Then leading him to a height, the devil showed him in a moment of time all the kingdoms of the world and said to him, 'I will give you all this power and the glory of these kingdoms, for it has been committed to me and I give it to anyone I choose. Worship me, then, and it shall all be yours.' But Jesus answered him, 'Scripture says:

You must worship the Lord your God and serve him alone.'

Then he led him to Jerusalem and made

him stand on the parapet of the Temple. 'If you are the Son of God', he said to him 'throw yourself down from here, for scripture says:

He will put his angels in charge of you to guard you, and again:

They will hold you up on their hands in case you hurt your foot against a stone.'

But Jesus answered him, 'It has been said:

You must not put the Lord your God to the test.'

Having exhausted all these ways of tempting him, the devil left him, to return at the appointed time.

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.



NICENE CREED

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven,

All bow for following three lines:

and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

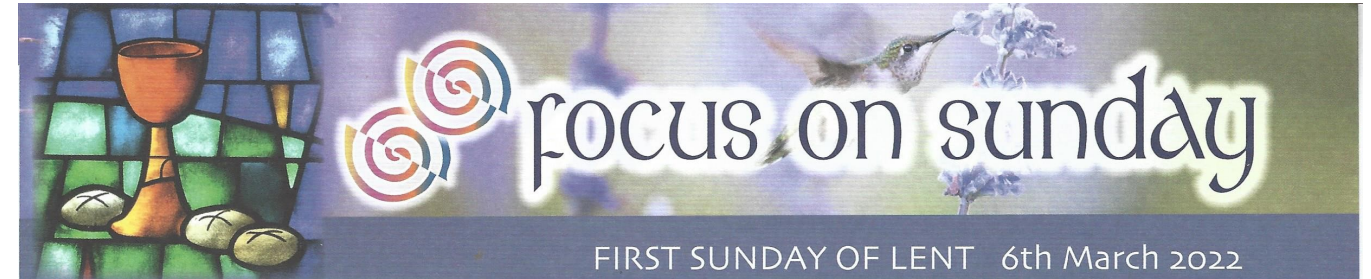
I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.

I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Pray brothers and sisters,

May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.



Although we are strongly drawn to follow Jesus, we will experience strong conflicts and temptations to follow "other gospels". If we stay with Jesus in prayer and friendship we can overcome such conflicts.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Give us the right dispositions, O Lord, we pray, to make these offerings, for with them we celebrate the beginning of this venerable and sacred time. Through Christ our Lord.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

The Lord be with you. **And with your spirit.** Lift up your hearts. We lift them up to the Lord. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right and just.

SANCTUS

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

AFTER THE CONSECRATION

The mystery of faith.
We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again.

THE SIGN OF PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always. **And with your spirit.**

INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

Behold the Lamb of God,
Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes forth from the mouth of God.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Renewed now with heavenly bread, by which faith is nourished, hope increased, and charity strengthened, we pray, O Lord, that we may learn to hunger for Christ, the true and living Bread, and strive to live by every word which proceeds from your mouth. Through Christ our Lord.

PRAYER OVER THE PEOPLE

May bountiful blessing, O Lord, we pray, come down upon your people, that hope may grow in tribulation, virtue be strengthened in temptation, and eternal redemption be assured. Through Christ our Lord.

CONCLUDING RITE

The Lord be with you. **And with your spirit.**

May the blessing of almighty God, the Father, and the Son, ✠ and the Holy Spirit, come down on you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

Go in peace. **Thanks be to God.**



It may be true to say that life at times is like being in the wilderness. Covid-19 and its effects have made our lives uncertain and fearful. For Jesus the wilderness was a place apart, lonely, dangerous, it was also a place to find God and his mission in life. It's something like that. Our wilderness now – is a place we are driven to, just as Jesus was by the spirit. However, we have been driven to our wilderness by restrictions, by changes in our life, by fear, frustration, boredom. But maybe we can see that there are also good things in this wilderness.

The wilderness was a place of joy for Jesus: The Angels looked after him. It's hard in the middle of covid and its effects. It's the same in other 'wilderness experiences' like the loss of love, of home, of a job, of money. We wonder will things ever change. And it can be hard to find the joy in bad times. It can be - but not always - found in deeper love, in care and in allowing ourselves to be cared for, in a renewal of faith in God. WE should ask ourselves - what is my wilderness at the moment? What do I find joy in? In his time, the wilderness engaged Jesus and he grew there in love and mission.

Donal Neary SJ (editor Sacred Heart Messenger)

Jesus' Story

Fr. Liam Hickey



In Lent, Jesus wants to bring us joy and happiness. God made us because God loved us, and God is with us to help and care. Sometimes we want more things, that make us selfish and greedy. Sometimes we want others to do things our way, that makes us unhappy, and sometimes we show off, forgetting that all our gifts are from God. In Lent God helps us to care for others, to help and say Thanks.

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ANNIVERSARY MASSES 7th - 13th MARCH 2022

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday 10.00am. Saturday 7.30pm.

Nora & Michael Regan & decd. Killinaugher

Patrick Mulkeen & decd. Cloonbullig

Miriam McGoldrick, Abbey St.

John & Patrick Mangan, Roy, Doohoma

Patrick & Elizabeth Devane & decd. Kilvine, Irishtown

Anne Byrne, Main St.

John & Anne O'Shaughnessy, Beech Lawn

Michael Lyons, Bridge St.

Brendan Quinn, Knox St.

Sean & Maureen Cleary, Clare St.

John & Rita Creighton, Barnahesker, Aghamore

Sunday 13th March, Month's Mind: Noreen Morley, Knox St.

7th - 13th March	READERS	MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST
Monday	Jarlath Fahey	Anne Carney, Joe Byrne
Tuesday	Tommy Caulfield	Lorraine Waldron, Breege Halpin
Wednesday 10am	Martin Fitzmaurice	Margie Gallagher Eileen Lynch
Friday	Christina Concannon	Eileen Jordan, Willie Broderick
Saturday 7.30pm.	Norrie Dillon	Justina Lyons, Paul Sykes, Fionnuala Nolan
Sunday 10.00am.	Orlaith Coffey	Geraldine Murphy, Mary Murphy, Marie Brennan
Sunday 12.00	Margaret Monaghan	Gilmar Neves, Deirdre Browne, Breda Davis

Recently Deceased

We remember in our prayers
Annemarie Devoy, Abbeyquarter

Recently Baptised

We welcome into the Faith Community
Luke Michael Hogan, Doctor's Road

Offertory Collection

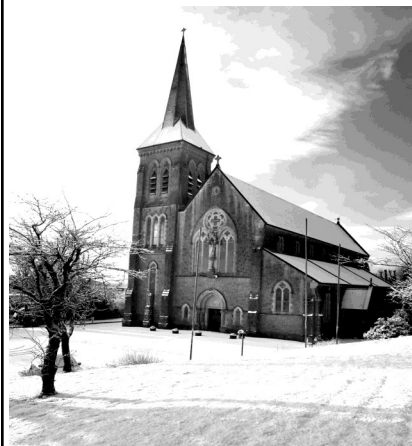
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Copies of the Parish Pastoral Council newsletter outlining events in our parish from July to December 2021 are available in the porch - please take one.

CHY3 CERTIFICATES: Sincere thanks to all who have returned their CHY3 Certificates during the past week, and a gentle reminder to those who have not yet returned them. We would ask you, please, to return the completed certificates in the enclosed stamped and self-addressed envelopes, or drop them in the letterbox of the Parochial House at your earliest convenience.

WEEKLY ENVELOPES: Sincere thanks to all who are returning their weekly contributions either by envelope or by direct debit. Envelopes can be returned at any of the daily Masses or dropped in the letter box of the Parochial House. If you wish to set up a direct debit, the account details are as follows: Ballyhaunis Parish Church. BIC: ULSB IE 2D IBAN: IE69 ULSB 9852 7005 5200 31

Copies of the Irish Catholic newspaper are available at the back of the church. Cost €2.50, please place money in the nearby candelabra.



MASSES:

Monday, Tuesday,
Wednesday, Friday 10.00am.

Saturday Evening Vigil: 7.30pm

Sunday: 10.00am. 12.00 noon

CONFESSIONS:

Before Saturday Vigil Mass

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Friday: 10.30am. - 1.00pm.

BAPTISMS

Saturdays & Sundays 11.00am.

Minimum of two weeks' notice required. Contact the parish office, 094-9630006, for updates due to ongoing Covid-19 restrictions.



FR. JOE COONEY MEMORIAL MASS: This month marks the second anniversary of the death of Fr. Joe Cooney who was parish priest of Ballyhaunis from 1993-2011. His death in March 2020 coincided with the outbreak of the Covid 19 pandemic. At the time of his death it was not possible to celebrate in a meaningful way his contribution to the parish during his years among us. At the recent meeting of the Parish Pastoral Council, it was decided that the 12pm Mass on Sunday, March 27th, will be a special commemorative Mass in his honour. A subgroup of the PPC has taken responsibility for planning the liturgy for the Mass.

LENT: Trócaire packs containing the Trócaire box and information on this year's Lenten campaign are available in the church porch. Please take one home and make a contribution to help those suffering hunger and injustice in many parts of the world. This year's campaign highlights how Covid-19 has impacted communities in Zimbabwe who are already facing significant challenges due to climate change and food insecurity. **'Walk With Me' booklets** containing daily prayers and reflections for Lent are available in the church porch. Cost: €2, please place money in the candelabra.

PUBLIC HEALTH GUIDELINES FOR ATTENDING MASS:

The government recently lifted all restrictions relating to Covid 19. However, due to the continued high numbers testing positive, we will continue to observe most of the restrictions in the church building for the present. We will continue to keep protective measures in place to ensure safety of the congregation, i.e. wearing of masks and hand sanitising - even if we have received the vaccine.

The numbers testing positive for Covid. Due to the possibility that members of our congregations may have underlying health conditions, we will continue to take precautions. For that reason we will keep every second pew closed for the present.

Please use the lighters for lighting candles as the hand sanitiser is highly flammable.

While the church building and ancillary buildings (toilets and sacristy) are sanitised before and after each Mass or ceremony, we want to stress that if you manifest any of the symptoms of Covid-19, if you have any underlying health issues, or feel that you might be endangering your health by entering a church building, then we encourage you to continue to join us on parish radio 105.2FM or on the parish webcam: www.ballyhaunisparish.ie/webcam

All weekday and weekend Masses, and the daily rosary at 9.00pm continue to be broadcast on parish radio 105.2FM and streamed on the parish webcam: <https://www.mcnmedia.tv/camera/st-patricks-church-ballyhaunis>

CAKE SALE will be held in Began Community Centre this Sunday 6th March following 11.30am Mass. Cakes can be dropped off from 10.00am Sunday morning in the Centre or alternatively to Curley's Pharmacy, Main Street, on Saturday 5th March. All proceeds will go to support the people of Ukraine.

50th CLAREMORRIS DRAMA & FRINGE FESTIVAL starts on March 17th with a Gala Celebration performance of "Victor's Dung" by Seamus O'Rourke, followed by a variety of presentations by various groups each night until Saturday 26th. Visit www.townhall.ie for further information and booking.

SYNOD ON SYNODALITY

A Prayer for the Synodal Pathway

Lord of all hopefulness, as we embark on this journey together, may we listen and discern and be guided by the Holy Spirit, who constantly breathes new life into our world, our hearts, our families, homes and parishes. May renewal and reform, fresh hope and healing come for all people of God in Ireland.

By virtue of our baptism may we each play our part in transforming the church through a fresh outpouring of the Holy Spirit which is your gift and promise, upon our land.

Grant us the encouragement we need to bring faith, hope and love in abundance to meet the challenges before us and to fulfil the Church's mission of proclaiming to the world, God's love and salvation in Jesus Christ.

A Mhuire Mhathair, mother of the Church, guard and guide us on our pilgrim way. Amen.

A new website synod.ie has been launched to support engagement with the national synodal pathway for the Catholic Church in Ireland. The website provides information about the synodal pathway and the timeline for the work, as well as making available a variety of resources to support engagement.

A PRAYER FOR UKRAINE

O Lord, God of life, as you care for all creation, give us your peace.

May our security come not from weapons, but from respect.

May our strength come not from violence, but from love.

May our own wealth come not from money, but from sharing.

May our path be not one of ambition, but of justice.

May our victory not be one of revenge, but of forgiveness.

Unarmed and confident, help us to defend the dignity of all creation.

Sharing today and always the bread of solidarity and peace. Amen.

SEACHTAIN NA GAELIGE: Ballyhaunis Language Café in conjunction with Conradh na Gaeilge is hosting a special night of comhrá, ceol agus caic - conversation, music and fun - in Gareth Delaney's pub, Abbey St. on Thursday 10th March, 7.00 - 10.00pm. Catering for people of all abilities in Irish language. All are welcome.

FREE ELECTRICAL RECYCLING COLLECTION will be held on Saturday 12th March, 10.00am. - 4.00pm. in Knox St. car park. All large and small household appliances, toys, tools, laptops, mobile phones, low energy light bulbs, batteries etc. will be accepted - anything with a plug or a battery.

GRETB DUNMORE are holding an Open Day on Friday 11th March from 2.00 - 6.00pm. Come along and explore further education options on offer in September, (full time and part time). Chat with the tutors and see the great facilities available. Various activities on the day.

CONNECTED HEALTH are looking to recruit caregivers throughout all areas of Mayo. No experience required as full accredited training will be provided. Apply to info@connected-health.ie

