

Burrishoole Parish

June 12th/13th 2021

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A Bang on the Ear!

And for our final hymn we will have 'A Bang on the Ear'!

It didn't happen too often but when it did happen all you could do was smile. Before Mass I would make a playlist of the music to be played. Once ready all I had to do was to press play on the remote control. Nine times out of 10 everything went smoothly but occasionally I pressed the wrong button and it was pot-luck what music would be selected. Appropriately enough we finished one Mass with Andrea Bocelli singing 'Time to say Goodbye' but on another occasion we were sent on our way by Mike Scott and the Waterboys singing 'A Bang on the Ear'!

The 'technology' around broadcasting Mass live is great when it works - or when it is worked properly, but every now and again the gremlins will take over, or concentration levels will drop, and the results can be humorous at best but embarrassing at worst.

It's not only the music which causes the bother. Before I got the hang of 'Facebook Live' I broadcast myself 'live' talking to myself while practicing from the kitchen table. Even when I thought I had it mastered I managed to broadcast Mass on the wrong Facebook page, in fact, I've even managed to 'broadcast' Mass - only to find when I had finished that I had forgotten to press the 'go live' button, giving the impression to our faithful virtual congregation that I had slept it in!

Before we had Wi-Fi installed in the churches the broadcasts were often hit and miss as the phone connection would drop without warning. But using the iPhone to hotspot the laptop had its own peculiarities; during a series of Old Testament readings which mentioned the 'Assyrians' my phone would speak to me - thinking that I was talking to it!

Even now some 15 months into the pandemic I still can manage to get things wrong. Not getting the laptop level before a broadcast can cause the illusion that I am celebrating Mass from a badly listing Titanic, while having a long-drawn-out

conversation after Mass on the vagaries of outdoor dining, before ending a broadcast is not to be encouraged.

Over the centuries the church has faced many periods of change and disruption in how we present and celebrate our faith. We have moved from a persecuted church to a dominant church (and back again?), we have gone from using Greek, to Latin to English, where once the priest celebrated Mass with his back to the people, now he gathers the people around him. Our ancestors here in Ireland once struggled to attend Mass in the cover of the mountains and while once the smells and sounds of the 'High Mass' were the experience of many now we have become used to Mass on a computer screen in our kitchens.

Much has changed, but through all the centuries our faith has remained constant and what happens at Mass has remained the same: Almighty God present in a wafer of bread. That is something we will never get used to, and something we should never get used to.

Mass is always a gift. God present in a wafer of bread is God's gift of God's self to us. Thankfully God's gift is never dependent on us; on our language, on our music or on our use of technology. If every now and again we get it wrong it is ok to smile - it's better than... a bang on the ear!

God Bless, Fr Tod

First Communion and Confirmation

The easing of covid restrictions means that First Communion and Confirmation can take place during July:

First Communion

Saturday July 10th Mulranny Church

12noon; Mulranny NS

Saturday July 24th Parish Church, Newport

12noon: Newport NS (Surname A-L)

2pm; Newport NS (Surname M-Z) and
Cuilmore NS

Confirmation

Saturday July 17th Parish Church, Newport

12noon: Newport NS

2pm; Cuilmore NS and Mulranny NS

Due to Covid restrictions numbers permitted to attend will be limited to 7 people per family, i.e., the child receiving the sacrament plus 6 others.

In organising both First Communion and Confirmation parishes have been asked to stress to parents that any social gatherings following the church celebration must be 'planned in line with prevailing public health advice on household mixing and indoor and outdoor gatherings.'

Returning to Mass

In order to gather safely you are reminded to please

1. Wear a mask
2. Sanitise your hands on entering and on exiting the church.
3. Be mindful in church of social distancing requirements
4. Follow directions of stewards/ushers
5. In Newport Church if seated in the front half please enter and exit via the side doors. If seated in the bottom half please enter and exit via the main door.
6. Holy Communion will be distributed at the end of Mass. You are asked to leave the church after receiving

Note: 50 mourners are now allowed to attend a funeral and 50 guests are permitted to attend a church wedding These limited numbers will remain until the end of June.

Burrishoole Graveyard Clean Up

Burrishoole Graveyard Committee will be at the graveyard every Monday and Tuesday evening from 7pm, for the next few weeks, to give it a general clean and tidy up. They would love a helping hand, so if you can spare some time, for an evening or two, come along and join them.

GAA Pop-up Shop this Weekend

Burrishoole GAA U12 girls Team and Management are holding a pop-up shop in Newport NS Hall this Saturday 5pm to 8pm and Sunday, 12pm to 3pm. Funds raised by the sale will go towards much needed football gear for the team.

Mulranny Tidy Towns

A big thank you to all who supported our Tuesday evening work event. It was heartening to see everyone helping with planting all the planters and beds throughout the village. Our planting programme is now complete. Fingers crossed now for sunshine. A meeting of Mulranny Tidy Towns will be held Wednesday, June 16 at 8pm in the Amenity Centre, everyone welcome.

Envelope Collection

Thank you for your ongoing support. Your generosity reflects your pride in your parish. Envelopes can still be dropped in the letterbox of the Parish house in Newport or in the box at the rear of the church in Mulranny. You can now also drop your envelopes in the baskets provided as you enter or leave weekend Mass

Remembering Our Dead

We pray for the soul of Sheila Murray, England mother of Bairbre Murray, Newport and for the soul of Andrew Burns, Birmingham. May they rest in peace.

Mass Schedule

Weekday Mass Intentions:

10am Mon-Tiernaur, Tues and Thurs-Newport, Fri-Mulranny: Peter Dominic Claydon, Carrowbegfergus. Sr Raymond Nolan, formally of Newport. Paddy Kilroy and his wife Kathleen and daughter Maureen

Weekend Mass Intentions

Saturday June 12th Tiernaur at 7pm:

Tommie Chambers (Months Mind). Lily and Denis Gallagher. Deceased members of the O Donnell Family, Sandhill

Sunday June 13th Newport at 10am:

John Geraghty, Derrygarve. Jim, Sarah & Margaret Duffy, Doontrusk. Mary & Jim Smith, Doontrusk. Mary Hynes, Lecanvey

Sunday June 13th Mulranny at 11.30am:

Anne Moran, (Months Mind). PJ. Barrett, Murrivaugh & Mary & Tom Kennedy, Yorkshire, England.

Saturday June 19th Tiernaur at 7pm:

Francis Moran, Rosgalive and Curraune and the deceased members of the Moran and O Malley families

Sunday June 20th Newport at 10am:

McGarry and Mary B Fergus, Ardagh. John McNulty, Doontrusk and Bill O Malley. Mary Kelly Castlebar St. Margaret and John Callaghan, Shralogy and the deceased members of the Moran and Callaghan families. Deceased members of the McDermott and Durrant Families. Tony and Annie Leneghan, Skirdagh.

Sunday June 21st Mulranny at 11.30am:

Mick and Annie Heraty and deceased family members, Drummin. Frank and Annie Grealis, Cushleca. Joe Schlegel, Cleveland.