

# St. Colman's Parish Fifth Sunday of Easter 27<sup>th</sup> /28<sup>th</sup> April 2024

### **Hampton Court Vine:**

Donald Grey Barnhouse tells about a grapevine in Hampton Court near London that is about 1,000 years old. It has but one root which is at least two feet thick. Some of the branches are 200 feet long. Because of skilful cutting and pruning, the vine produces several tons of grapes each year. Even though some of the smaller branches are 200 feet from the main stem, they bear much fruit because they are joined to the vine and allow the life of the vine to flow through them. — If we, the branches, are not bearing much fruit, it may be that we are not feeding as we ought upon the life-giving flow from the vine. "Abide in me as I abide in you," Jesus said, The great truth that Jesus is trying to tell us is that if we want life in all its fullness, then we must be consciously, intentionally connected to Jesus, the "true vine," and the only source of the God-Life/Sanctifying Grace, which begins in us our eternal life here on earth.

Even a well-pruned branch cannot bear grapes unless it abides in the vine, drawing water and minerals from the main trunk and transporting food prepared in the leaves to the main trunk and to the roots. Jesus reminds us that we cannot bear fruit either, unless we abide in him just as he abides in us. Jesus says, "I am the vine, you are the branches." What Jesus means is that by abiding in him we will bear much fruit, and that apart from him we can do nothing. "Abiding in Christ" means that God has to be inside us and we have to be inside God. We abide in Christ by drawing near to God and by experiencing His being near to us, that is, by living every moment as He has commanded us to do, with the radiant presence of Christ all around us. This life of intimate union with Christ in the Church is maintained by the spiritual helps common to all the faithful, chiefly by active participation in the Liturgy. Those of us who do not abide in Jesus will wither and be thrown away, just as withered branches are thrown into the fire to be burned.

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**Recent Death:** Please remember in your prayers:

Ian Rice, Dalkey, Dublin/Kilbonane, Beaufort

**Baptism:** We welcome into our Christian community:

Shóladh Rose O' Keeffe, Meanus, Castlemaine

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament takes place every Friday evening in Milltown church from 6:00p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

#### **Masses & Intentions**

Mon. April 29 <sup>th</sup>			No Mass
Tues. April 30 <sup>th</sup>	Listry	7:00 p.m.	People of the Parish
Wed. May 1 <sup>st</sup>	Milltown	10:00 a.m.	People of the Parish
Thurs May 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Milltown		No Mass
Fri. May 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Milltown	7:00 p.m.	Danny, Donal, Sheila & Jack McKenna The Cliff, Callinafercy
Sat. May 4 <sup>th</sup>	Listry	6:00 p.m.	Mary Hogan Listry, Faha
Sun. May 5 <sup>th</sup>	Milltown	11:15 a.m.	Michael & Eileen Flynn Rathpook

#### **Eucharistic Ministers**

Listry Saturday May 4<sup>th</sup> Margaret Gallagher
Milltown Sunday May 5<sup>th</sup> Mary O' Shea

#### **Minister of the Word**

Listry Saturday May 4<sup>th</sup> Elizabeth Griffin Milltown Sunday May 5<sup>th</sup> Chris Horan

All Weekend Masses will be streamed online on www.milltownlistryparish.com or churchmediatv.ie. The webcam positioned in Milltown and Listry church will capture images of individuals seated in the first two seats of the church. If you prefer not to have your image broadcasted, we kindly ask that you sit in a different area within the church.

The offertory collection is currently not being taken up during Mass. There are boxes at the front and side entrance of the Milltown church and front entrance in Listry church for your contributions which are greatly appreciated.

**Flower Arranger:** Mary Aspell 27<sup>th</sup> April – 10<sup>th</sup> May

**Second Collection:** will be taken up at Masses w/e 11<sup>th</sup> /12<sup>th</sup> May
- Education of Clergy

**First Friday Communion Calls:** will take place on Friday May 3<sup>rd</sup>. If you have a family member or neighbour who wishes to receive Holy Communion each month in their home, please contact Fr. Danny, (087) 9061255 Rev. Conor (087) 3664057 or the parish office (066) 97 67312.

<u>First Friday Confessions</u> are available after 7:00p.m. Mass in Milltown Church on Friday May 3<sup>rd</sup>

Monthly Prayer Meeting: takes place in the Nagle Rice community Hall on Sunday May 5<sup>th</sup> from 8-9.30pm. All most welcome.

<u>Poor Clares</u>: in Carlow invite women from age 22 to 40 years for a cuppa and a chat to find out more about our life. If interested, please contact us before the event. <u>poorclaresvoc@gmail.com</u> Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> May from 2.30pm to 4.30pm.

**Diocesan Eucharistic Adoration Reminder:** Retreat this year at Our Lady's and St Brendan's Tralee on Friday 31st May 2024. Presenters: Fr. Jim Lenihan/ Deacon Thady O'Connor. Mass Celebrant Bishop Ray. See Poster on notice board for details. Bookings: Margaret (087) 297 6304: Breda (087) 6742306.

Communal First Saturday: For those who would like to fulfil the second of Our lady's requests in Fatima for obtaining a period of peace and salvation of souls. The Communal First Saturday devotions will be held on Sat. 4th May commencing at 8.45am in the Church of the Resurrection Killarney. Devotions will begin with the Fatima intentions and prayer. Followed by the Rosary at 9am. Mass at 9.30am then 15 mins meditation on the mysteries of the Rosary. All will be done with the intention of making reparation to the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

Fatima Pilgrimage: Kerry Diocesan Pilgrimage to Fatima takes place 5 nights from 10<sup>th</sup> − 15<sup>th</sup> May 2024. Led by Fr. Noel Spring. Return flights from Dublin. 20kg Bag. Half Board €979pp. Further details contact Maureen Harty (066) 7131328

<u>Presentation Secondary School, Milltown Parents' Association</u> is holding a fundraising Bingo Night in aid of school funds on Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> April at 7pm in the school All most welcome.

#### **Lord Jesus**

Though I do not feel it, and often disregard it in what I say and do, you already share your resurrection with me.

Help me to cherish it and nourish it by learning to think as you think, to act as you act and to love as you love.

Prune from my living all that is contrary to you and your Gospel that I may grow mor like you as the days pass and death approaches.

#### Amen

# **Upcoming Parish Sacramental Celebrations**

## **First Holy Communion Ceremony**

Milltown Church - Nagle Rice P.S. on Saturday May 11<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 a.m.

Listry Church -Faha P.S. on Saturday May 225th at 11:00 a.m.



Last Weekend's collection - €730.00 Special collection Peter's Pence - €215 Thank you for your generous support.

# Killorglin Pastoral Area <u>Priest on Duty this Sunday</u>:

Fr. Kieran O' Sullivan (087) 2432155

In an emergency always ring your own Priest first If he is unavailable, please ring the following:

Monday: Fr. Kieran O' Sullivan (087) 2432155

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