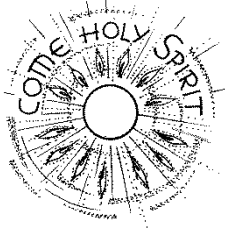


### **Sunday 23rd May Pentecost – A Celebration of Life**

Today, is Pentecost Sunday. It is such a wonderful celebration of life. It comes as Spring is bursting into Summer. The heart spontaneously joins in the line of the psalm: "Send forth your Spirit, O Lord, and renew the face of the earth."

It's a good day to be thinking about the many ways we can continue to care also as we move out of Covid.

#### **TODAY I CAN BE GUIDED BY THE HOLY SPIRIT...**



**Today I can complain about my health, or I can celebrate being alive. Today I can moan that it is raining, or be joyful at all that grows from the rain.**

**Today I can regret all I don't have, or rejoice in everything I do. Today I can mourn everything I have lost, or eagerly anticipate what's to come.**

**Today I can complain that I have to work, or celebrate having a job to go to. Today I can resent the mess the kids make, or give thanks that I have a family. Today I can whine about the housework, or celebrate having a home. Today I can cry over the people who don't care for me, or be happy loving and being loved by those who do. I choose to have a good day today!**

#### **LAUDATO SI' EVENT & RESOURCES**

We are currently in Laudato Si' week (May 15<sup>th</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup>). You are invited to a talk by **Fr Sean McDonagh on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> May from 7pm to 8pm** on the topic of "**Robots, Ethics and the Future of Jobs**; how new technologies are likely to alter the world of work and its meaning in our lives". Seán is a Columban priest, well known as one of the pioneers of eco-theology, focusing on the relationship between faith, justice, and ecology. This event is brought to you by the Pastoral Outreach Team working in partnership with the Salesian Cosmology Group. **You can register for Seán's talk on this LINK [https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Robots\\_Ethics\\_Jobs](https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Robots_Ethics_Jobs)**

**Mass in Patrickswell Church on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> May at 7.30pm** for all our Exam Students. Fr Chris will celebrate the Mass along with Aoife Walsh from Youth Ministry. **Mass will be online only.**

#### **RE-OPENING OF CHURCHES**

- 2m social distancing guidelines adhered to (members of the same household can sit/stand close together)
- Wearing of face coverings are obligatory and sanitising your hands upon entering and leaving the church.
- No congregation of people outside the premises before and after any service
- Stewards on site to assist in this regard

**Attendance at Funerals:** 50 mourners permitted at service.

**Weddings:** 50 guests permitted at service (civil or religious).

**Online Lunchtime Talks - St. Mary's Cathedral Limerick - Next talk** in the series Robert Owen (social reformer) Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> May at 1.15pm Cathedral. [www.churchservices.tv/limerickstmarys](http://www.churchservices.tv/limerickstmarys) <<http://www.churchservices.tv/limerickstmarys>> on the various dates.

#### **PARISH WEEKLY MASSES**

**Patrickswell:** Weekdays at 9.30am **unless there is a funeral scheduled.**

Saturday at 6.30pm & Sunday at 11.30am.

**Adoration:** Saturdays 8.30am – 11.30am.

**Ballybrown:** Weekdays at 10.30am **unless there is a funeral scheduled.**

Saturday at 8.00pm & Sunday at 10.00am.

**Churches open for quiet prayer from 11am to 5.30pm.**

The Parish Office is taking bookings for Baptisms. For Patrickswell Church you may also contact the Sacristan.

**Weekly Offertory Collection for weeks ending 8<sup>th</sup> May and 16<sup>th</sup> May - €2058.00.**

Thank you to all who continue to support our Parish and Priests.

**Trócaire Collection to date has amounted to €7526.00.**

Thank you for your very generous donations which are crucial now with the unfolding events in Gaza.



**Recent Baptisms:** We would like to welcome into our Christian Community Rhys Lyons, Clarina. Congratulations.