



*St. Colman's Parish*  
*12<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
*20<sup>th</sup> /21<sup>st</sup> June 2020*

*Prayer to Overcome Fear*

*Dear Father, our hearts and minds are  
Flooded with many fears. Sometimes we  
Become paralysed, and feel unable to go on.  
These fears are overwhelming. They remain*

*With us day and night*

*Yet we hold on to your truth*

*You have told us not to fear*

*For you have overcome the world*

*So we cling to you, we trust in your promise*

*That you will never fail us, never forsake us*

*In moments of such fear*

*We choose to hold your hand*

*Help me not be paralysed by my fears*

*But when I am afraid, help me to trust you*

*In you all promises meet and new life begins*

*You are the Saviour, we hide in you*

*Protected by your love and sheltered in your grace.*

*Amen*

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## **Weekend Mass Intentions**

Sat. June 20 <sup>th</sup>	6:00 p.m.	No Intention
Sunday June 21 <sup>st</sup>	11:15 a.m.	William & Ellen Mangan, Knockavota
Sat. June 27 <sup>th</sup>	6:00 p.m.	No Intention
Sunday June 28 <sup>th</sup>	11:15 a.m.	Jackie & Nora Flynn, Kilderry

**Weekday Masses return to the normal time of 9:00 a.m. on June 22<sup>nd</sup>. Public Masses will begin again in the week beginning June 29<sup>th</sup>.**

## **Graveyard Masses**

Listry Graveyard	Saturday, July 11 <sup>th</sup>	6:00 p.m.
Milltown Graveyard	Sunday, July 19 <sup>th</sup>	11:15 a.m.
Abbey Graveyard	Monday, July 13 <sup>th</sup>	8:00 p.m.
Kilbonane Graveyard	Tuesday, July 21 <sup>st</sup>	8:00 p.m.

As you can see, the Graveyard Masses in both Listry and Milltown are taking place at the time of the normal weekend Mass times.

In every parish, the Graveyard Mass has a special place in the hearts of parishioners. We gather at our family graves to remember and pray for those who have gone before us. It is a special occasion in the life of our parish.

This is a good opportunity to tend to family graves and the graves of people who do not have family members living locally.

## **The Return to Public Mass**

Bishop Ray has notified all parishes in the diocese of the following guidelines to be observed when public Mass resumes. This is a glimpse of a number of key guidelines to note:

- The dispensation from attending Mass on Sundays and Holydays of obligation remains in place until further notice. People are encouraged to attend Mass on any day during the week. In this way, it is hoped that parishioners, who would have normally attended Mass on a Saturday night or Sunday morning pre Covid-19, can be accommodated at the Masses throughout the week taking into account the reduced capacity of the church.
- Any person with an underlying medical condition or at high risk of severe illness as a result of Covid-19 should be advised to stay at home and to continue participating in the Mass online or by radio link. Any elderly person who does not yet feel ready to return to the public celebration of Mass, should also be advised that they may remain at home and participate in the Mass online or hear the Mass through the Parish radio link.
- Parishioners attending Mass should wear a face covering in church. (Note that face coverings are not suitable for children under the age of 13 and that not everyone will feel comfortable wearing a face covering. While the wearing of a face covering is recommended it is not mandatory).
- The congregation shall be asked to sit and stand as appropriate during Mass. The congregation shall be requested not to kneel.
- Altar servers will not be permitted to exercise their ministry until further notice.
- Missalettes should not be used at Mass until further notice. A newsletter may be made available for collection at the exit points when the congregation is leaving the church.
- At the Sign of Peace, invite the congregation to indicate their prayer for the other's peace, by a wave, nod or other gesture while remaining socially distanced.

- The Priest and the Ministers of the Eucharist must wear a visor at all times during the distribution of Holy Communion.
- Holy Communion should only be given in the hand, until further notice.

With restrictive numbers of people allowed to gather indoors, it is hoped to celebrate weekend Masses outdoors over the next number of weeks, weather permitting. More information on this will be in the newsletter next weekend.

### **Painting of Milltown Church**

Work will begin on painting the Church in Milltown on Monday June 22<sup>nd</sup>. The church will remain open but sections will be out of bounds. The work is likely to continue for two weeks. Sincere apologies for the inconvenience.

### **Can you let go of Fear?**

In general, we perceive life coming to meet us either as gift or threat. Likewise, we are motivated, as a rule, either by love or fear. Our goal is to be always motivated by love. Our suppressed fear makes this so difficult to achieve.

A first step is not to be afraid of fear or to resist it. Neither does it help to start blaming life or people for your condition. What helps is to enlist the rich energy of fear by turning it round to serve you. Face it, feel it, breathe it in and then gently press on with your life. Open to it in a vigilant and loving way and you will sense a breaking of the blockage within you. It is helpful to remember, too, that it is only fearful people who can be graced with the God-like quality of courage. Those with no fear can never be brave.