

St. Colman's Parish 5th Week of Easter 1st /2nd May 2021

"The Jesus nut"

The "Jesus nut," also called the "Jesus pin," is the nut that holds the main rotor to the mast of some helicopters, such as the UH-1 Iroquois. The long, strong metallic fans of the helicopter are fitted to the main rotor of the mast. The "Jesus nut" is a slang term first coined by American soldiers in Vietnam; the technical term is MRRN or *main rotor retaining nut*. The origin of the term comes from the idea that, if the "Jesus nut" were to fail in flight, the helicopter would detach from the rotors and the only thing left for the crew to do would be to pray to Jesus before the helicopter crashed. — Today's Gospel explains why Jesus must be the pivotal point in our lives, through the little parable of the vine and the branches.

In the vineyards in Palestine, pruning was done in late fall or early winter because pruning in spring or summer caused excessive bleeding that weakened the vine. Dead branches were cut away to save the vine. Other branches were pruned so that they would bear more grapes than leaves in the next growing season. John describes God as the Vine-grower who has planted a vine, Jesus. The Father removes every branch that bears no fruit and prunes the other branches, so they may bear more fruit. Jesus tells his apostles that they have already been pruned by the words he has spoken to them. He refers to the announcement that he will soon be leaving them by his death on the cross. The apostles will not feel the full impact of this "pruning" until Jesus is actually taken away from them in death.

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Recent Deaths: Please remember in your prayers Eilis Daly, Woodville, Milltown Margaret (Peg) Cotter, Church Street, Milltown Masses & Intentions -All Masses are celebrated online			
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Mon May 3 rd			No Mass
Tues May 4 th	Listry	7:00 p.m.	
Wed. May 5 th	Milltown	9:00 a.m.	
Thurs May 6 th			No Mass
Fri. May 7 th	Milltown	7:00 p.m.	Noel O' Mahony (Months Mind) Kilderry
Sat. May 8 th	Listry	6:00 p.m.	Pat & Rita Broderick Ballymalis
Sun. May 9 th	Milltown	11:15 a.m.	William & Ellen Mangan Knockavota

Reminder

All Masses will be celebrated without a congregation due to Covid-19 Government Restrictions

Mass is broadcast on 106fm and all Weekend Masses will be streamed online via <u>www.milltownlistryparish.com</u>

- Log into www.milltownlistryparish.com
- Click on Milltown & Listry Parish
- Scroll down the page to where it says Live Streams
- Click Church of the Sacred Heart for Mass in Milltown
- Click on ► to play
- Click Church of the Immaculate Conception for Mass in Listry
- Click on ► to play

<u>Overseas Volunteers Training Course September 2021 -</u> <u>Open to all!</u>

Viatores Christi, a faith-based development organisation has specialised in the recruitment, training, and deployment of overseas volunteers since 1960. VC runs an online volunteer preparation course covering Community Development, Health, Global Awareness, Mission, etc. This is open to all! Once completed, participants can be considered for volunteer roles through VC EU Aid Volunteers #EUAVI programmes. If you want further information, please visit the News section of our website <u>www.vcvolunteers.ie</u> or email<u>info@viatoreschristi.com</u>

<u>**The Parish Office:**</u> will remain closed whilst we are at Level 5. We will continue to work behind closed doors, so please feel free to contact the office during hours. Tues & Thurs 9:30am -12.30pm

ALONE: manage a national support line and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to COVID-19. Professional staff are available to answer queries and give advice and reassurance. The support line is open seven days a week, 8am - 8pm, by calling 0818 222 024.

<u>Samaritans</u>: Freephone 116 123 The Samaritans are available 24/7 to offer non-judgemental emotional support to people experiencing difficulties or times of crisis in their lives.

MABS The Money Advice and Budgeting Service: is the State's money advice service which has guided people through dealing with problem debt since it was set-up 20 years ago. It offers a free, confidential, independent & non-judgemental service to all kinds of people, with all kinds of debt. Though MABS offices are closed to the public at present, work is continuing remotely. Contact the helpline, 0761 07 2000, Monday to Friday, 9:00a.m.-8:00p.m. Contact Kerry MABS, (087) 4101355, <u>kerry@mabs.ie</u>

Recovery Haven: Cancer Support House continues to offer emotional support and practical help to those affected by cancer. Phone support, counselling and a range of online classes are being offered. If you or someone you know needs support, contact (066) 7192122, <u>reception@recoveryhavenkerry.com</u>

Last weekend's collection - €550.00 Thank you for your generous support Eventually, they will be pruned of all attachment to the things of this world, so that they may be ready to attach themselves to the things of Heaven. It is a sorry sight to see that some of us just come to Church Sunday after Sunday in search of spiritual *"handouts"* or just to *"fulfil our Sunday obligation,"* but give little or nothing back God in loving service to their brothers and sisters in the Church and in the local community. They are like fruitless, leafy branches, draining life from the trunk without giving anything in return.

О Mary,

you shine continuously on our journey as a sign of salvation and hope. We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick, At the foot of the Cross you participated in Jesus' pain, with steadfast faith. our Refuge and our Hope, know what we need. We are certain that you will provide, so that, as you did at Cana of Galilee, Joy and feasting might return after this moment of trial. Help us, Mother of Divine Love, To conform ourselves to the Father's will And to do what Jesus tells us: He who took our sufferings upon Himself, And bore our sorrows to bring us, through the cross, to the joy of the Resurrection. Amen

Priest on Duty: Fr. Kevin Sullivan (087) 6277638