

St. Colman's Parish 6th Sunday of Easter 21st /22nd May 2022

Helen Keller's indwelling God?

The story is told that after Helen Keller's teacher, Annie Sullivan, had given her the names of physical objects in sign language, Miss Sullivan attempted to explain God and tapped out the symbols for the name "God." Much to Miss Sullivan's surprise, Helen spelled back, "Thank you for telling me God's name, Teacher, for He has touched me many times before." — How could Helen Keller have known about God? Although she was blind and deaf, Helen Keller knew God, for God had shown Himself to her. That is the "revelation" of an indwelling God about whom today's Scripture readings speak.

Let us be aware of the abiding presence of God within us: We live in the New Covenant of Jesus, daily facing uncertainty, conflict, and temptations. It is the abiding presence of God within us that enables us to face the future with undying hope and true Christian courage.

We are not alone: One of the great social and ethical problems of our time is isolation. Today approximately 25% of all adults live alone. Spouses, parents, and children often live as virtual strangers to one another. This is unfortunate because we never need to be alone. Jesus can always be present to us. He shares with us his joy and replaces the burden of our guilt with the freedom of forgiveness. He takes our grief and turns it into joy. We need only allow Jesus into our lives to be rid of this loneliness. Oneness with Jesus is the greatest gift we can give our children, our friends, or those who see no purpose in life. Fr. Danny Broderick (087) 9061255 Parish Residence: 18 Ballyoughtragh Heights, Milltown Rev. Conor Bradley (087) 3664057 Parish Office: Tues. & Thurs 9:30-12:30 066-9767312 Email: milltown@dioceseofkerry.ie Website: www.milltownlistryparish.com Safeguarding Children: Contact No (087) 6362780

Recent Deaths: Please pray for:

Micheline (Mimi) Scoazec, Kilburn, John Devane, Beaufort Hannah O' Sullivan, Dromin Norrie Allman, Rockfield

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament takes place every Wednesday in Milltown Church from 5:00p.m. -7:00p.m. *Masses & Intentions*

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Mon. May 23 rd			No Mass
Tues. May 24 th	Listry	6:00 p.m.	
Tues. May 24	Milltown	7:30p.m.	Graduation Mass Milltown Presentation School
Wed. May 25 th	Milltown	10:00 a.m.	For all Deceased members of the McKenna Family, Callinafercy
Thurs May 26 th			No Mass
Fri. May 27 th	Milltown	7:00 p.m.	For the pupils of the parish Sitting Exams
Sat. May 28 th	Listry	6:00 p.m.	Tim & John Riordan Listry
Sun. May 29 th	Milltown	11:15 a.m.	Martin Galvin Knockavota

Eucharistic Ministers				
Listry Saturday May 28 th	Margaret Gallagher			
Milltown Sunday May 29 th	Sheila O' Sullivan			
Readers				
Listry Saturday May 28 th	Tom O' Sullivan			
Milltown Sunday May 29th	Christiane Spillane			
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<u>Monthly Prayer Meeting:</u> takes place in the Nagle Rice community Hall on Sunday June 5th from 8-9.30pm. All most welcome.

<u>Accord Catholic Marriage Care Service seeking marriage</u> <u>preparation facilitators:</u> Accord Catholic Marriage Care Service is currently recruiting volunteers to train as marriage preparation facilitators.

- If you have a positive attitude towards marriage in the Catholic Church
- If you have the enthusiasm to be part of the Accord team in supporting couples who are preparing for the Sacrament of Marriage

Accord wants to hear from you!

Successful applicants will receive professional training and will be part of a team delivering marriage preparation courses locally.

Contact Aisling on 01-505 3112

Application forms and additional information about becoming a facilitator is available on www.accord.ie

Diocesan Youth Pilgrimage to Taizé 2022: The diocese is still recruiting pilgrims for our annual youth pilgrimage to Taizé, France. There are eight places remaining and we'd love to hear from young people between the ages of 18 and 30. This year we travel on Sunday, June 26th and return on Sunday, July 3^{rd,} 2022. The cost of the pilgrimage is €600. Further details, please contact Tomás Kenny on 086 3683778 or tomaskenny@dioceseofkerry.ie

Oberammergau Passion Play: 7th -13th August 2022. Places on this once a decade, spectacular Bavarian Event are available. Spiritual Director: Fr. Dan O Riordan. Details: Premier Travel:021 4277700 e-mail: <u>norardy@premiertravel.ie</u>

<u>Milltown Youth Club:</u> held a meeting on Thurs May 5th. Unfortunately, there was a low turnout. However, despite this, Chairperson and Treasurer positions were filled. There are three remaining vacant positions. A 2nd Treasurer, Secretary and Volunteer Officer. If anyone is interested in taking on one of these roles, thus allowing the Youth Club to restart, please contact (087) 2852554 no later than May 25th. All would agree this is a much-needed service for the young people.

<u>Rainbows Ireland</u>: A 9-week Bereavement & Separation Support group for children aged 7-12 years, will take place at Maine Valley Family Resource Centre, Castlemaine, in May/June 2022. Expressions of interest are now being taken. Contact (087) 3694169 / (086) 0580019, (066) 9767833 Ext. 2. Further details <u>www.rainbowsireland.ie</u> <u>First Holy Communion Ceremony</u>: We wish to congratulate the children of Faha P.S. who received their First Holy Communion on Saturday 22nd May.

May Jesus lead and guide you all the days of your life.



Last weekend's collection - €1,213.00 Trócaire collection - €2,305.00 Thank you for your generous & Continuing support

Graveyard Masses

Listry Graveyard Kilbonane Graveyard Milltown Graveyard Abbey Graveyard Tuesday July 5th Wednesday July 6th Friday July 8th Wednesday July 13th

These masses start at 8:00 p.m.

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

'It is not enough to say we are Christians. We must live the faith, not only with our words, but with our actions.' Pope Francis

> **<u>Priest on Duty this Sunday</u>** Fr. Kevin Sullivan (087) 6277638