

St. Colman's Parish The Ascension of the Lord 28th /29th May 2022

MESSAGE OF HIS HOLINESS POPE FRANCIS FOR THE 56th WORLD DAY OF SOCIAL COMMUNICATIONS Listening with the ear of the heart

Dear brothers and sisters,

Last year we reflected on the need to "Come and See" in order to discover reality and be able to recount it beginning with experiencing events and meeting people. Continuing in this vein, I would now like to draw attention to another word, "listen," which is decisive in the grammar of communication and a condition for genuine dialogue.

In fact, we are losing the ability to listen to those in front of us, both in the normal course of everyday relationships and when debating the most important issues of civil life. At the same time, listening is undergoing an important new development in the field of communication and information through the various podcasts and audio messages available that serve to confirm that listening is still essential in human communication.

A respected doctor, accustomed to treating the wounds of the soul, was once asked what the greatest need of human beings is. He replied: "The boundless desire to be heard." A desire that often remains hidden, but that challenges anyone who is called upon to be an educator or formator, or who otherwise performs a communicative role: parents and teachers, pastors and pastoral workers, communication professionals and others who carry out social or political service.

Listening with the ear of the heart

From the pages of Scripture, we learn that listening means not only the perception of sound but is essentially linked to the dialogical relationship between God and humanity. Fr. Danny Broderick (087) 9061255

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Baptism: We welcome into our Christian community

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

Masses & Intentions

Mon. May 30 th			No Mass
Tues. May 31st	Listry	7:00 p.m.	
Wed. June 1st	Milltown	10:00 a.m.	
Thurs June 2 nd			No Mass
Fri. June 3 rd	Milltown	7:00 p.m.	Denis Murphy Ballymacandy
Sat. June 4 th	Listry	6:00 p.m.	Pat O' Sullivan, 2 nd Anniversary Coolbane
Sun. June 5 th	Milltown	11:15 a.m.	Anne Fitzgerald Kilcolman

Eucharistic Ministers				
Listry Saturday June 4th	Eamon Donnelly			
Milltown Sunday June 5 th	Dorothy Casey			
Readers				
Listry Saturday June 4th	Anthony Clifford			
Milltown Sunday June 5 th	Josephine Twiss			

Readings, can be collected in advance, from the Sacristy, after any Mass.

Mass is broadcast on 106fm, and all Weekend Masses will be streamed online via www.milltownlistryparish.com or churchmediatv.ie. The webcam in Milltown and Listry church captures images of individuals who sit in the first two seats of the church. Please sit in another part of the Church if you do not wish your image to be broadcast in this way.

Flower Arranger: Breege O' Sullivan - May 28th - 10th June

Second Collection: will be taken up at Masses w/e 4th /5th June - Family Services & Accord.

First Friday Communion Calls: will take place on Friday June 3rd 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.

First Friday Confessions are available after 7:00p.m. Mass in Milltown Church on Friday June 3rd

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

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!

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

<u>Oberammergau Passion Play:</u> 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>

Rainbows: Bereavement & Separation course for children aged 7-12 sears will take place at Maine Valley Family Resource Centre in May/June 2022. Ring 087 3694169/086 0580019 or 066 9767833 Ext 2 for further details.

Priest on Duty this Sunday Fr. Fergal Ryan (087) 2408540 "Shema' Israel - Hear, O Israel" (Dt 6:4), the opening words of the first commandment of the Torah, is continually reiterated in the Bible, to the point that Saint Paul would affirm that "faith comes through listening" (cf. Rom 10:17). The initiative, in fact, is God's, who speaks to us, and to whom we respond by listening to him. In the end, even this listening comes from his grace, as is the case with the newborn child who responds to the gaze and the voice of his or her mother and father. Among the five senses, the one favoured by God seems to be hearing, perhaps because it is less invasive, more discreet than sight, and therefore leaves the human being more free.

Listening to one another in the Church

In the Church, too, there is a great need to listen to and to hear one another. It is the most precious and life-giving gift we can offer each other. "Christians have forgotten that the ministry of listening has been committed to them by him who is himself the great listener and whose work they should share. We should listen with the ears of God that we may speak the word of God" [4]. Thus, the Protestant theologian Dietrich Bonhoeffer reminds us that the first service we owe to others in communion consists in listening to them. Whoever does not know how to listen to his brother or sister will soon no longer be able to listen to God either. [5]

The most important task in pastoral activity is the "apostolate of the ear" – to listen before speaking, as the Apostle James exhorts: "Let every man be quick to hear, slow to speak"

With the awareness that we participate in a communion that precedes and includes us, we can rediscover a symphonic Church, in which each person is able to sing with his or her own voice, welcoming the voices of others as a gift to manifest the harmony of the whole that the Holy Spirit composes.

Rome, Saint John Lateran, 24 January 2022, Memorial of Saint Francis de Sales. Franciscus

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