

# **GLANMIRE PARISH**



23<sup>rd</sup> April 2023 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter

St Joseph's Church	St Michael's Church
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Fri 10 am Liturgy of the Word Wednesday 10am	
Saturday Vigil 6 pm Sunday 10.30 am and 12 Noon	Sunday 9.30 am

St Joseph's Church Adoration Monday night 7.30 pm –8.30 pm.

Adoration in the Parish Centre Friday 10.30 am -6 pm.

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### **Story-telling on the Journey!**

We all have a story to tell and want people to listen to our story and be taken seriously.

Every human story is about the story of a journey, the journey of life which we all have in common, regardless of who we are or where in the world we live.

Stories are an important part of history and there is always a story to be told where people have lived.

We are in Easter time and Easter too has its story to tell, the big story being that of the death and resurrection of Jesus bringing new life to the whole of creation. Because of that, we are Easter people; we are alleluia people! The Road to Emmaus is all about story-telling, where the two disciples had a story to tell.

The story begins with the two disciples travelling from Jerusalem to Emmaus, a walk, we are told, of about 7km.

They are very much downcast and disillusioned as to what happened to their leader whom they put their hope and trust in.

Suddenly, they were joined by someone who also had a story to tell. As they continued on the journey this person recounted the events of the passion, death and resurrection and showed them how the scripture had been foretold. But their eyes were closed! They failed to understand and to recognise Jesus.

Only when he shares a meal with them and "in the breaking of bread" do they 'recognise' him, 'knowing him again' and 'knowing him anew', so to speak. In some sense, it was as if they are knowing him for the first time. And not only that, but maybe understanding afresh all that they had learned from him and experienced on the road.

Once He took, blessed, broke and shared the bread with them their eyes were opened and their relationship with him changed. With fresh insight, they now understood the 'story' he told them.

When they failed to recognise him on the road, Jesus said "How foolish you are and slow of heart". Now their knowing, is a knowing of the heart, rather than the head. And in that same moment of recognition, they ask one another, "were not our hearts burning within us".

Very often we also recognise Jesus in the experiences of our everyday lives and particularly in challenging times. These are times when our hearts burned within us and often our prayer was a 'heart' rather than a 'head' prayer.

As we reflect on the story of the 'Road to Emmaus', we pray that we too will never fail to recognise Jesus and particularly in the breaking of bread, the Eucharist.

#### **Deacons in Cork & Ross**

The Diocese of Cork & Ross invites those who feel a call to be deacons to make contact with its Coordinator of the Permanent Diaconate, Fr Bernard Cotter, Co-PP, Union Hall, by text or WhatsApp on 087 9010627. Full information on the role of deacons is given on our diocesan website (<a href="www.corkandross.org/vocation/the-permanent-diaconate">www.corkandross.org/vocation/the-permanent-diaconate</a>). Please pray that those called to this ministry may respond positively.

# **Annual Procession to Our Lady of Lourdes Grotto Glanmire**

The Procession from St Joseph's Church to the Grotto will take place on will take place on Sunday  $7^{th}$  May at 3 pm.

Family Mass 6pm on the 6<sup>th</sup> May in St Joseph's Church.