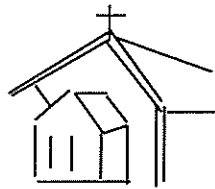


GLANMIRE PARISH

21st May 2023

Ascension of the Lord



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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The Gaze of the Apostles!

As we celebrate the Ascension of Jesus into heaven, like the apostles, we too gaze toward heaven, in anticipation of the sending of the Holy Spirit. Our eyes are on the descent of the Holy Spirit who will give us the wisdom and courage to be true disciples of Jesus as happened with the apostles. Before leaving his apostles, Jesus, referring to his death and Resurrection, said to them "You are witnesses to all these things." And not only were they witnesses to the death and Resurrection but also to the Ascension. More importantly, Jesus promised to send the Holy Spirit who would teach them all things and remove all fear. He is not abandoning his apostles, but rather by ascending to his father, he ensures that the Holy Spirit will come upon them. Once they receive the Holy Spirit they courageously begin to preach the Gospel and baptise in the name of the Lord. They joyfully and fearlessly witness to Christ, in whose name they preach repentance and forgiveness of sins. This was indeed a far cry from the same apostles who,

a very short time before, during the passion and death of Christ, were very afraid with Peter even denying that he even knew Jesus.

In our lives, we too have received the Holy Spirit to guide and direct us and to fill us with wisdom and understanding. The Holy Spirit makes Jesus present to us beyond the barriers of time and space to make us witnesses to the world. By ascending into heaven, Jesus opened the door for us to become 'citizens' of heaven. His assurance that he is with us always, even to the end of the world, is both comforting and encouraging. It encourages us to not only live the Gospel, but by the witness of our lives to preach the Gospel.

Rosary recited at the Grotto each evening at 7.30 pm.

Congratulations to the children of St Joseph's School, Riverstown who received their First Holy Communion yesterday.

Children's Mass in St Joseph's Church will be next Saturday at 6 pm

2nd Collection today is for the painting fund.

14 th May Off	St Joseph's	€1,405	St Michael's	€695	Total €2,100
2 nd Collection	St Joseph's	€695	St Michael's	€ 95	Total € 790

Please return your Trocáire box to the sacristy or, the office.

SPRING DUES ENVELOPES

There are some areas remaining where volunteers are needed to deliver the Spring Dues Envelopes:- Glenrichmond, Knocknahorgan, Millbrook Close, New Hermitage, Sallybrook East and Sallybrook West. Thanks to all who have distributed envelopes, it is much appreciated.

The Alliance of THE TWO HEARTS RETREAT is on in The Glenroyal Hotel, Maynooth Sat 17th/Sun 18th June. Fr Bing will talk on the Triumph of the Immaculate Heart of Mary and the Eucharistic Reign of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Return bus from Cork to Maynooth Sat 17th June . To book your seat contact Kay Madden 087 1165669.

Mass for the deceased will take place on Friday next May 26th at 7.30pm in Caherlag Graveyard and Wednesday 31st May at 7.30 pm in St Catherine's Kilcully.