

GLANMIRE PARISH



11th June 2023 Corpus Christi

| St Joseph's Church | St Michael's Church | | |
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| 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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Feast of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

The Feast of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ is celebrated on Sunday the 11th June this year.

This feast was originally known as 'Corpus Christi' which means Body of Christ and is usually celebrated the Sunday following Trinity Sunday.

The reason why it was introduced in the 13th century was to encourage the faithful to give special honour to the institution of the Eucharist and to venerate the Blessed Sacrament.

We know from the Old Testament that the people in the desert ate 'manna from heaven' which was the food and drink that kept them alive when they wandered in the dessert for many years, in search of the Promised Land. The food and drink that keeps us spiritually alive today is the Body and Blood of Christ in the Eucharist. The Eucharist is our living bread from heaven which Christ gave us at the Last Supper and continues to give us at

each Mass when the bread and wine are changed into the Body and Blood of Christ at the Consecration.

The Catechism of the Catholic Church reminds us that the Eucharist is the sum and summary of our faith when it says; "Our way of thinking is attuned to the Eucharist, and the Eucharist in turn confirms our way of thinking." When we receive the Eucharist, we proclaim the death and resurrection of Christ until he comes again.

The feast we celebrate today is an assurance of Christ's presence in us and among us and is our hope of resurrection.

As we listen to today's Gospel, narrated by John, we hear Jesus reassuring us that he is the living bread which has come down from heaven and that anyone who eats this bread will live for ever. What could be more reassuring than that promise form Jesus himself.

We celebrate the Eucharist every time we attend mass, as a community of faith, hope and love. Corpus Christi is not just a memorial celebration but an experience of God's infinite love for us.

In the Eucharist, Jesus offers us the gift of himself to guide and protect us on our journey in life. It was his farewell gift to his apostles on Holy Thursday night which was the night the Eucharist was instituted. The Eucharistic Procession honours the Eucharist and is a tradition throughout Europe dating back to nearly a century ago.

The Eucharistic Procession will begin at the Cathedral of St Mary and St Anne at 3pm and concluding at Ss Peter and Pauls Church for a Homily and Benediction celebrated by Most Reverend Fintan Gavin, Bishop of Cork and Ross.

| 4th June Off | St Joseph's | €1,083 | St Michael's | €302 | Total €1,385 |
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Copies of the 2022 Parish Accounts are now available from the office.

For the months of July and August office will be open Tues, Wed & Thursday 10 am to 12 and there will be no newsletter.