



St. Paul's Parish Ayrfield

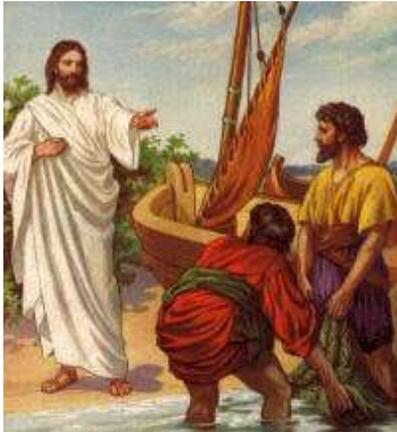
Third Sunday of Easter – C

1st May 2022



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Pastors Desk

With their dreams shattered by the events of Good Friday it now seems that the Apostles are anxious to get their lives back to normal. Simon Peter says that he is going fishing and some of the other disciples decide to join him. After trying all night, they have nothing to show for their labours.

As they return to the shore Jesus calls out and asks 'have you caught anything, friends?' No they reply. He encourages them to cast their nets once more. Miraculously this time their nets are filled to capacity with fish. It suddenly dawns on them who this man is.

When they reach land Jesus invites them to 'Come and have breakfast'. Though none of them asked him who he was they all knew in their hearts that it was Jesus. He shares the bread and fish with them. In the course of conversation, he asks Simon Peter three times if he loves him and gives him an instruction. The third time he tells him 'Feed my sheep'.

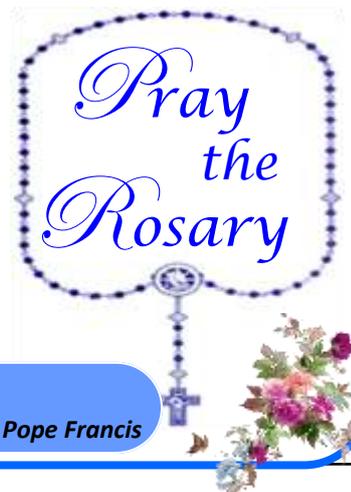
We all need food daily to help our bodies and minds to function. If we don't have regular and healthy meals, we will eventually begin to have problems. It's the same with our spiritual lives. They need to be nourished by prayer and scripture. The Eucharist is food for the soul and gives us that spiritual nourishment we so badly need to guide and direct us.

Because we may have a busy work or lifestyle we can end up eating 'fast food' and not sit down to eat properly. So too with our spiritual lives. We need to take time daily to sit and relax, come into the Lords presence and allow ourselves to be present to him also. Then our own 'spiritual nets' will provide us with the nourishment we need for the journey.

Fr. Gerry.

St. Paul's Parish, Ayrfield

would like to invite you to join
thousands of people in Ireland
each day in May as we go to our
Grottos at 8pm to pray the Rosary.



*Our Lady is always close to us,
especially when we feel the weight of life with all its problems. ~ Pope Francis*

Mass Times

Saturday : 6 pm Vigil
Sundays : 10:30 am & 12:30 pm
Weekdays : Tue, Wed, Thu & Fri. 10 am
Service of the Word with Communion : Monday 10am

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ROSARY AT THE GROTTOS
at 8pm each evening during May



Dia dhuit,

We are delighted to announce that *ROSARY AT THE GROTTOS* will go ahead in May. We will pray the Holy Rosary each day in May, at 8pm, at hundreds of grottos around the Island of Ireland.

We pray to honour our Blessed Mother, and to ask her to wrap her mantle of protection around Ireland, and to bring peace to our troubled world.

Last time we had over 300 grottos, and we will have even more this time. Praying together is very important as St. Louis De Montfort told us.

"Almighty God is very pleased to have people gathered together in prayer; the angels and the blessed unite to praise Him unceasingly. The just on earth in several communities join in communal prayer night and day. Our Blessed Lord expressly recommended common prayer to His Apostles and disciples and promised that whenever two or three were gathered together in His name He would be there in the midst of them". (Cf. Matt. 18:20) "

Please spread the word and let's honour Our Blessed Mother all over Ireland throughout the month of May.

God bless you,
 Fr Marius

Thank you for your generosity to the **Holy Land Collection** taken up on Good Friday. **The amount raised amounted to € 260.00**

The Building Hope Prayer

Pilgrim God, we give you thanks and praise. You constantly journey with us even in our darkness and doubts.

We seek your way of loving kindness to walk together as one family.

Open our eyes to recognise you in the faces of one another, in the breaking of bread and in the splendour of creation.

May the risen Christ sow seeds of hope and new life deep within us.

May our hearts and minds be filled with your Word, bringing forth truth, justice and peace.

May the Holy Spirit working in and through us do much more than we can dare to imagine as we live out our baptismal calling in humble and loving service.

We make this our prayer through Christ Our Lord. Amen.

*We remember at Mass
 and in our prayers
 those who
 have gone before us*



<i>Saturday 30th</i>	<i>(Vigil Mass)</i>	<i>6:00 pm</i>
Edward Buckley		8 th Anniversary
Jean Pearson		1 st Anniversary
Phyllis Savage		6 th Anniversary

<i>Sunday 1st May</i>	<i>12:30 pm</i>
Maura & Thomas Hanratty	Anniversaries

*Your prayers are requested for the
 happy repose of the soul of
Annette Murphy recently deceased.*

May they rest in peace

Monday 2nd May is the 1st Monday.
 Service of Word with Communion at 10am. The **Miraculous Medal Novena** will be said at the service.

Tuesday 3rd May, is the 1st Tuesday.
10am mass will be offered for all on the **Mass Bouquet List**, followed by devotion to **St. Pio**

Friday 6th May is the 1st Friday, 10am mass will be offered for all those on the **Altar List of the Dead**.

World Day of Prayer for Vocations 2022

World Day of Prayer will be observed **next Sunday**, May 8th, 2022, also known as "**Good Shepherd Sunday**." The purpose of this day is to publically fulfil the Lord's instruction to, "Pray the Lord of the harvest to send labourers into his harvest" (Mt 9:38; Lk 10:2).

Please pray that young men and women hear and respond generously to the Lord's call to the priesthood, diaconate and religious life. You can find many resources to promote a culture of vocations on the website of the National Vocation Office – www.vocations.ie

Trócaire Boxes can be returned to the Sacristy.

Easter Dues.

Envelopes can be returned to the church and placed in the boxes provided or given to your Outdoor collector.

Rosters – Ministers of the Word and Eucharist.

The rosters for May, June & July are available on the website, noticeboard and in the Sacristy.

Notice to Coeliacs: *If you have been advised to abstain from Gluten, please contact the Priest before Mass so that we can try to accommodate your requirements.*