



St. Paul's Parish Ayrfield

Sixth Sunday of Easter – A 14th May 2023



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Jesus tries to give comfort and reassurance to the shattered disciples that he will not abandon them and leave them as Orphans. He tells them he will ask the Father who will send them another Advocate to be with them forever. Just as Jesus did not leave the apostles to struggle without the help of the Spirit he will not leave us alone either.

The English dictionary explains the word "Advocate" as 'an intercessor or defender: one who pleads the cause of another'. So essentially Jesus is telling them that someone will come who will always be there to defend them and support their cause or work from here on. This Advocate will take the form of a Spirit which will be invisible to those in the world who do not know him but to those who do, that indwelling of the Holy Spirit will be evident in their lives and be a powerful force guiding and directing them in all matters.

The Holy Spirit is like a good counsellor or advisor always guiding our hearts and minds in situations where we must make difficult and painful decisions. Good choices that are life giving rather than life limiting. When we live in the light of that Spirit it allows us to see with greater clarity those parts of our lives where we need healing or to change.

Let us open our minds and hearts to hear him and eagerly respond to his promptings always. *Fr. Gerry*



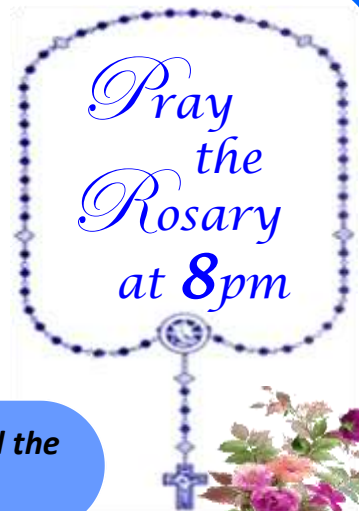
First Holy Communion On Saturday next, **20th May at 11 am**, we will celebrate First Communion when a new generation of boys and girls from St. Paul's Junior School will be able to participate fully in our Eucharistic celebration, the Mass. Please keep them and their families in your prayers.



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 to pray the Rosary.

*If the weather is unpleasant, the Rosary
will be recited indoors in the Church.*

*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 & 12:30pm
Weekdays : Tue, Wed, Thu & Fri. 10 am
Service of the Word with Communion : Monday 10am
Weekday service is preceded by the Rosary at 9:40am

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Ministers of the Word & Eucharist

The new rosters for May, June & July are available for collection from the sacristy, on the notice board and on our website.



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



Saturday (Vigil Mass) **6:00 pm**

Mary Grey Anniversary
Bríd Brewer Months Mind

Sunday **10:30am**

Dermot Brown Recently Deceased

Sunday **12:30 pm**

John Williams Months Mind
Mary Smyth Anniversary

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*Your prayers are also requested for the happy repose  
of the soul of **Karen Griffith** recently deceased.*

**Tuesday** **10:00am**

**Thomas & Margaret Moloney** Anniversary

**Wednesday** **10:00am**

**Margaret & Pake Reaney** Anniversaries  
**Jimmy Kelly** 3<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary

**Friday** **10:00am**

**Mary Bowe** 3<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary  
**Billy Bowe** Anniversary  
**AnnMarie Rooney** Anniversary

*May they rest in peace*

### Let's Gather Again – Change of Date –

Our Annual Evening of Reflection for Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist, not held since Covid, will take place on **Monday, May 29**, at **8pm** in

**Our Lady of Victories Church, Ballymun Road.**

This is not a 'training' evening for new ministers but an opportunity to gather, reflect, pray and sing in the light of this special calling. The Dublin Diocesan Music Group will lead the music. It is hoped that the evening will nourish and deepen our appreciation of the gift of the Eucharist while affirming this aspect of the baptismal vocation to which so many have been called throughout the Diocese. OLV Church has a webcam too. Spread the word about the date change.

No need to book. All welcome. Why not come along?

**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.*

### **Reboot and Refresh your Faith this Autumn**

Are you interested in learning more about your faith? Would you like to reflect prayerfully on the scriptures including Sunday gospels? Or perhaps you would like to join the Catholic Church and receive the sacraments? Join us on **Tuesday May 23rd** at **7:30pm** in **Holy Trinity Church Donaghmede** for an information evening on our new faith development initiative for the Parish Partnership of Ayrfield, Donaghmede, Edenmore, Grange Park and Raheny.

Any queries, please contact  
[kirsten.mahon@dublindiocese.ie](mailto:kirsten.mahon@dublindiocese.ie)

### **Anam Cara North Dublin,**



the organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding a Parent Evening for bereaved parents on **Wednesday 24th May** at **7:15pm** in the **Hilton Hotel, Malahide Rd, Northern Cross, D17 Y924.**

This event is free and open to all bereaved parents regardless of the age your child died, the circumstances of their death, or whether their death was recent or not. Please contact us on [info@anamcara.ie](mailto:info@anamcara.ie) or **085 2888 888** for any queries.



### Pilgrimage to Fatima & Lisbon Coast

Fr. Gerry Corcoran will lead a pilgrimage to Fatima and the Lisbon Coast, with JWT, from **21<sup>st</sup> - 28<sup>th</sup> September 2023**, including four nights full board in Fatima and three nights half board in Costa da Caparica.

Cost **€979** per person sharing a twin room.  
Single supplement **€40** per night where available,  
Deposit **€300.**

Contact the Parish Office in Holy Trinity Parish on **01-8479822** for further details.

### St. Vincent De Paul

The Society will take up their monthly collection after all masses **next weekend, 20<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup> May.**

### Trócaire Boxes

can be returned to the Sacristy in the church.

### Easter Dues.

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