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CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT DENNEHY'S CROSS, CORK

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Ascension of the Lord

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MASS TIMES

Sunday

9.00, 10.30, 12.15 Saturday Vigil 6.15pm

Weekdays 9.00, 10.00

Eve of Holydays 7.30pm

Holydays

9.00, 10.30

OUR PARISH PRIEST WRITES

OUR HEARTS / THE SACRED HEART



God's Word

Readings for Sunday 12th June

First Reading: Acts 2: 1-11

Psalm: 103

Second Reading: 1 Cor 12:3-7

Gospel: Jn 20: 19-23 In our daily conversations we often describe people by saying "they have a heart and a half", "a heart of gold" and "they'd give you their heart". We talk about their love, kindness, goodness, caring, generosity and sensitivity. They are great examples and inspirational. At times of bereavement we often say "people are heartbroken".

The heart is a symbol of love. The month of May is dedicated to Mary; the month of June is dedicated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. A very popular prayer is "Jesus, gentle and humble of heart, make our hearts like unto yours". At Mass, the priest says "lift up your hearts" and the response is "we lift them up to the Lord". We ask Jesus to make our hearts, minds, thinking and outlook Christ-like and we want to become more Christian.

In August 1856, Pope Pius IX ordered that the Feast of the Sacred Heart be celebrated throughout the world. One hundred years later, May 1956, Pope Pius XII wrote an encyclical letter on the history and origin of devotion to the Sacred Heart. Traditionally, new homes were blessed and families consecrated to the Sacred Heart, asking Jesus to bless, protect and guide them on life's journey of love.

During this month of June in our daily prayers, pray that we will reveal the love of Jesus to others by what we say and do. May Jesus shine through us so that we can brighten one another's lives. If we do not make Christ alive, who will? In times of difficulty, stress, fear and worry, as we say "Sacred Heart of Jesus, I place all my trust in you" may Jesus answer our prayers, give us peace and hope, as we face the unknown future.

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THE ASCENSION OF OUR LORD



The Ascension of the Lord celebrates the day that Christ, in the presence of His apostles, ascended bodily into Heaven. It occurred 40 days after Easter Sunday, so falls on a Thursday; however, the celebration has been transferred to the following Sunday.

The Ascension is the final act of our redemption that Christ began on Good Friday. On this day, the risen Christ, in the sight of His apostles, ascended bodily into Heaven (Luke 24:51; Mark 16:19; Acts 1:9-11). Christ's bodily Ascension foreshadows our own entrance into Heaven not simply as souls, after our death, but as glorified bodies, after the resurrection of the dead at the Final Judgment. In redeeming mankind, Christ not only offered salvation to our souls but began the restoration of the material world itself to the glory that God intended before Adam's fall.

St. Augustine wrote: "Today our Lord Jesus Christ ascended into heaven; let our hearts ascend with him. Listen to the words of the Apostle: If you have risen with Christ, set your hearts on the things that are above where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God; seek the things that are above, not the things that are on earth. For just as he remained with us even after his ascension, so we too are already in heaven with him, even though what is promised us has not yet been fulfilled in our bodies."

ECUMENICAL SERVICE



In the **Crypt,** Church of the Descent of the Holy Spirit

on Wednesday 8th June.

At 7.30pm

All are welcome to attend.

In Sympathy

We offer our sincere sympathy to **Jack, Liam, Michael** and **Ted Murphy** on the death of their father Michael Oliver, Liam Lynch Park.

Ar dheis Dé go raibh a anam dílis.

NOTICE BOARD

Alzheimer Society

Alzheimer Society of Ireland Cork Branch meeting of the Saturday Club on Saturday, 11th June at Bessboro Day Care Centre from 2pm to 4pm. We are delighted this month to present an afternoon of musical entertainment provided by Paul Ralph. Light refreshments provided. Free admission. All welcome. For further information contact 021 4972504.

Cork City Branch Alzheimer Society

Carer's Support Meeting on Wednesday 8th June from 3.00pm to 4.30pm at Bessboro Day Care Centre. All welcome.

Bishopstown Senior Social Centre

Seniors Mobile Phone Coaching for beginners from 12 noon to 2.30pm every Tues. Wed. and Thurs and also Exercise and Dance Group every Thurs. from 2.30pm to 4.30pm. For more information contact: Roger Coughlan, Coordinator at 086-3866975.

Liam Lawton Concert

A Liam Lawton Concert will be held in the Church of the Real Presence, Curraheen on Thurs. June 23rd at 8.00pm in aid of Ballinora Church Restoration Fund. Tickets €20 available at local shops or online at www.LiamLawton.com.

"A Summer's Evening on the Quad"

On Friday 10th June in U.C.C. in aid of the Hope Foundation and Bee for Battens with Cara O'Sullivan and Peter Corry and The Band of the Garda Siochana. Tickets €30.00 available from the Hope Foundation (021) 4292990.

PRAYER FOR STUDENTS

Dear God I place my trust in you as I prepare for my exams. May my mind be calm, my body rested and my spirit inspired.

Give me peace and assurance that I will do the best I can. Keep me serene.

May I be honest so to give a true account of what I have learned.

In the end, may any disappointment be borne with grace and dignity and any joy accompanied with humility.

May I know that I am a child of God and always live according to this truth.

May Mary, the mother of Jesus and my mother, protect and guide me in all my life choices.

