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CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT
DENNEHY'S CROSS, CORK

27th May, 2012

Pentecost Sunday

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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 &
7.30pm

THE DESCENT OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

PENTECOST SUNDAY

2012



God's Word

Readings for Sunday 3rd
June.

First Reading:
Deut 4:32-34.39-40

Psalms: 32

Second Reading:
Rom 8: 14-17

Gospel:
Mt 28: 16-20

Our Church worldwide is in transition and indeed, in crisis in some places. Here in Ireland on this Pentecost Sunday, the birthday of the Church, fewer people will come to Eucharist than previously. The haemorrhaging from regular Church practice is unabated. Some drifted away due to social changes. Others are hurt and angry. More have lost confidence in the leadership. Many are uncertain and somewhat confused. Still others are just holding on, hoping that the institution they trusted, will survive long enough to see them out.

Is there any glimmer of hope? There is. In fact, there is a flame ready to ignite a new beginning. It is the Holy Spirit of God coming to inspire a new beginning for the community of believers, starting with those who have been able to remain secure enough to gather for Eucharist today and spreading to enrich every nook and cranny of life in today's complex world.

We remember that the early disciples, even though they had met the Risen Jesus, still holed up in an attic room for fear of being pilloried, attacked or worse, as followers of Jesus, the Nazarene.

Then it happened. The promised Holy Spirit came upon them. A dynamic energy took possession of them, releasing unsuspected confidence, awakening a yearning to share the truth, the good news that God has chosen us for friendship and love, made present once through the Passion, Death and Resurrection of Jesus and continuing in our shared Eucharist. The inspiration was to create an inclusive community of hearts and of service where each one's contribution is appreciated and each one's need catered for respectfully.

Being here today in this Church of the Descent of the Holy Spirit is both a privilege and an invitation. **R.S.V.P.**

FR. TOM.

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NOTICE BOARD

First Friday:

Next Friday, 1st June, is the First Friday of the month. Calls to the sick and housebound on the usual days.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:

Next Friday, 1st June, from 10.30am to 7.30pm followed by Mass.

St. Vincent de Paul:

The monthly collection will take place at all Masses next weekend, 2nd/3rd June.

"The Priests"

Appearing at Our Lady Crowned Church, Mayfield on Wednesday, **18th July, 2012** at 8.00pm. Tickets **€20**. Doors open at 7.00pm. Tickets available at Parish Office, Mayfield, tel (021) 4551276 and Mayfield Credit Union.

Alliance of the Two Hearts - All Night Vigil:

On First Friday, 1st June, at South Presentation Chapel, Douglas Street. 10.00pm Rosary, 10.30pm First Friday Mass and 6.00am First Saturday Mass. All welcome. Enquiries to: Denise Hickey at 086 0502727.

Knock Summer Festival - "ONE"

The Knock Summer Festival is a one day event taking place on the **28th July, 2012**. It is for all young people between the ages of 17-30 to come together and celebrate their faith. The theme of this year's festival is "ONE". We will be concentrating on three themes of ONE in relation to the Church, One Love, One Community, One Body. The festival is **free of charge** and there is free accommodation for groups over 10. For further information contact Helen Toner, Director of Youth Ministry, Knock at (094)9388100 or (087)6927850.

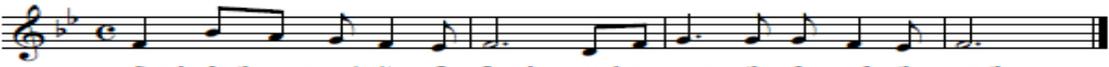


Congratulations to the girls from St. Catherine's School who recently received the Sacraments of Confirmation and First Holy Communion in our Church. It was a joyful and happy occasion for the girls themselves, their families, teachers and priests. We wish them every blessing for the future.

Weekend
Psalm:

Pentecost Sunday - Mass during the day - Year A Patrick Killeen

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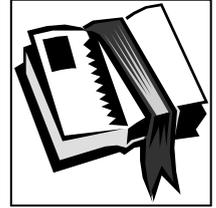
Send forth your spir-it, O Lord, and re - new the face of the earth.

OUR SYMPATHY TO:

Marion Griffin and family of Kenley Drive, Model Farm Road on the death of her father, Michael O' Donovan.

May he rest in peace.

BIBLE CORNER



"THE GATHERING"

A great effort is underway to boost our tourist numbers next year by enticing the Irish diaspora to come back to the homeland on a visit. A variety of events are being planned to focus such homecomings.

As we hear in the First Reading this weekend, the Jews have been doing that for centuries. For them one such focal point was a harvest festival, fifty days after Passover. Originally, it was celebrated seven weeks after the beginning of the harvest to give thanks for the crops safely gathered. They called it Pentecost and as we hear, they came back for the celebrations from all parts of the known world, places with strange sounding names.

St. Luke highlights the contrast between the somewhat helpless group which gathers before the Spirit is given with the eloquent articulate spirit-filled Peter. The outpouring of the spirit empowers the Church to fulfil the task of preaching the Gospel worldwide.

We open our hearts to be touched by the same Spirit today.

Fr. Tom



We remember at this time all Third Level Students undertaking examinations. We wish them well and pray that they will be inspired by the Gifts of the Holy Spirit.