

Parish of Keady, Derrynoose and Madden
Third Sunday of Easter, 23 April 2023

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CHURCH NOTICES

From Monday 24th April – Sunday 30th April 2023

KEADY

Monday: Novena Mass at 7pm
Tuesday & Wednesday & Friday: Mass at 10am
Saturday Vigil: Mass at 6.30pm
Sunday: Mass at 11.30am
Confessions: Saturday 5.30pm -6.15pm
**Eucharistic Adoration: Monday & Friday 3-6pm
IN MAIN CHURCH (Not in Upper Room)**

DERRYNOOSE

Thursday 27th April No Mass
Sunday: 30th April Mass at 10am

MADDEN

Thursday: Mass at 7pm
Sunday 30th April No Mass
Adoration before Thursday Mass

LATELY DECEASED

May McGlade – Crossmore Gardens, Leo Graham – Crossmore Green, Maureen Callaghan – Derrynoose, Anne Marie Carmona (Dublin & formerly Caracas, Venezuela – Wife of Tim McKeown Derrynoose, Mary Brady – Golland Road, Ann Prendergast, Declan Nugent, Alice Richardson, Kathleen Owens, Peggy Connor, Patsy McKeown

MONTHS MEMORY

Kathleen Owens – Saturday 29th April at 11am Madden (Fr Moore Celebrating)
Maureen Callaghan- Sunday 14th May at 10am Derrynoose

NEW PARISH OFFICE OPENING HOURS

Monday 10.30am – 4.30pm: office open to the public.
Tuesday – Office closed.
Wednesday 10.30am – 2pm: office open to the public.
Thursday 10.30am- 2pm (Telephone and email contact only) and 2pm – 4.30pm: office open to the public.
Friday 10.30am – 4.30pm: office open to the public

BAPTISM SCHEDULE: PLEASE NOTE NEW DATES

St Mochua's Derrynoose: Saturday 20th May at 3pm.
St Joseph's Madden: Saturday 17th June at 3pm
St Patrick's Keady: every 2nd & 4th Sunday of the month at 12.30pm.

BAPTISM COURSE- Our Baptism team have resumed the baptismal course. The course will now be held in The Upper Room above the sacristy at St. Patrick's Church Keady. The next course is on Wednesday 3rd May at 7.30pm. Parents of children who are due to be baptised are asked to attend. Contact Parish Office for further details.

PARISH DRAW RESULTS

March 2023 (Held on Friday 21st April)
1st Prize £1,000 No 379 M Smyth, 2nd Prize £500 No 016 J Donnelly, 3rd Prize £300 No 185 L Smyth 4th Prize £150 No 083 K Hughes Sellers £50 M McGinnity £25 T Hughes £25 J Hughes
Thank you to all who have continued to support the Parish Draw. Next Draw is Friday 28th April for April Entries.

ANAM CARA ARMAGH

The organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding a Parent Evening for bereaved parents on Wednesday 26th April at 7:15pm in The Armagh City Hotel, Armagh, 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. We also offer an online support service. Contact us on info@anamcara.ie or 028 95213120 for any queries.

CEILI

St Patrick's Hall Saturday 29th April 9pm – 12 Midnight.
All Welcome. Proceeds in aid of Keady SVP

THE FRIENDS OF CLEA P.S.

Are hosting a Fundraising Bingo Night in St. Patrick's Hall Keady on Friday 28th April at 7.00pm. All welcome.

ALL IRELAND ROSARY RALLY

Saturday 3rd June KNOCK SHRINE info & booking
Gabrielle 07933 521105 Catherina 07899 810181

ANNUAL COFFEE MORNING

Keady Rectory (Crossmore Road) Saturday 22nd April from 10am – 12.30pm. Proceeds to St. Matthews Church of Ireland Roof Fund.

FIRST ARMAGH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

Holding a Festival of Creative Displays, entitled 350 Years in Scripture, Stitches and Stone, from Thursday 4th May – Sunday 7th May 2023.



Today is an important day in the calendar for our parish when we witness the pupils from our five Primary Schools receive the sacrament of Confirmation. We thank the teachers and parents for their preparation, and we also thank the children themselves who recently attended a Confirmation retreat in preparation. Please keep them in your prayers. We hope they experience the joy and peace of the Spirit in Confirmation.

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ENTRANCE ANTIPHON (Stand)

Cry out with joy to God, all the earth;
O sing to the glory of his name.
O render him glorious praise, alleluia.

PENITENTIAL ACT (I)

Brothers and sisters, let us acknowledge our sins, and so prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries.

A brief pause for silence follows.

I confess to almighty God
and to you, my brothers and sisters,
that I have greatly sinned,
in my thoughts and in my words,
in what I have done and in what I have failed to do,

And, striking their breast, they say:
through my fault, through my fault,
through my most grievous fault;

Then they continue:
therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin,
all the Angels and Saints,
and you, my brothers and sisters,
to pray for me to the Lord our God.

Priest: May almighty God have mercy on us,
forgive us our sins,
and bring us to everlasting life.

People: Amen.

Priest: Lord, have mercy.

Priest: Christ, have mercy.

Priest: Lord, have mercy.

People: Lord, have mercy.

People: Christ, have mercy.

People: Lord, have mercy.

GLORIA

Glorify to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise you,
we bless you,
we adore you,
we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King,
O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father,
have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

FIRST READING Acts 2:14,22-33

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles:

On the day of Pentecost Peter stood up with the Eleven and addressed the crowd in a loud voice: "Men of Israel, listen to what I am going to say: Jesus the Nazarene was a man commended to you by God by the miracles and portents and signs that God worked through him when he was among you, as you all know. This man, who was put into your power by the deliberate intention and foreknowledge of God, you took and had crucified by men outside the Law. You killed him, but God raised him to life, freeing him from the pangs of Hades; for it was impossible for him to be held in its power since, as David says of him:

I saw the Lord before me always, for with him at my right hand nothing can shake me. So my heart was glad and my tongue cried out with joy; my body, too, will rest in the hope that you will not abandon my soul to Hades nor allow your holy one to experience corruption. You have made known the way of life to me, you will fill me with gladness through your presence."

"Brothers, no one can deny that the patriarch David himself is dead and buried: his tomb is still with us. But since he was a prophet, and knew that God had sworn him an oath to make one of his descendants succeed him on the throne, what he foresaw and spoke about was the resurrection of the Christ: he is the one who was not abandoned to Hades, and whose body did not experience corruption. God raised this man Jesus to life, and all of us are witnesses to that. Now raised to the heights by God's right hand, he has received from the Father the Holy Spirit, and what you see and hear is the outpouring of that Spirit."

The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Psalm 15

[R] Show us, Lord, the path of life.

[1] Preserve me, God, I take refuge in you.

I say to the Lord: "You are my God.
O Lord, it is you who are my portion and cup;
it is you yourself who are my prize.[R]

[2] I will bless the Lord who gives me counsel,
who even at night directs my heart.
I keep the Lord ever in my sight
since he is at my right hand, I shall stand firm. ..[R]

[3] And so my heart rejoices, my soul is glad;
even my body shall rest in safety.
For you will not leave my soul among the dead,
nor let your beloved know decay.[R]

[4] You will show me the path of life,
the fullness of joy in your presence,
at your right hand happiness for ever.[R]

[5] You will show me the path of life,
the fullness of joy in your presence,
at your right hand happiness for ever.[R]

SECOND READING 1 Peter 1:17-21

A reading from the First Letter of Peter:

If you are acknowledging as your Father one who has no favourites and judges every one according to what he has done, you must be scrupulously careful as long as you are living away from your home. Remember, the ransom that was paid to free you from the useless way of life your ancestors handed down was not paid in anything corruptible, neither in silver nor gold, but in the precious blood of a lamb without spot or stain, namely Christ; who, though known since before the world was made, has been revealed only in our time, the end of the ages, for your sake. Through him you now have faith in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory for that very reason—so that you would have faith and hope in God.

The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

ALLELUIA (Stand)

Alleluia, alleluia!

Lord Jesus, explain the scriptures to us.

Make our hearts burn within us as you talk to us.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL Luke 24:13-35

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke:

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

Two of the disciples of Jesus were on their way to a village called Emmaus, seven miles from Jerusalem, and they were talking together about all that had happened. Now as they talked this over, Jesus himself came up and walked by their side; but something prevented them from recognising him. He said to them, "What matters are you discussing as you walk along?" They stopped short, their faces downcast.

Then one of them called Cleopas, answered him, "You must be the only person staying in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have been happening there these last few days." "What things?" he asked. "All about Jesus of Nazareth," they answered, "who proved he was a great prophet by the things he said and did in the sight of God and of the whole people; and how our chief priests and our leaders handed him over to be sentenced to death, and had him crucified. Our own hope had been that he would be the one to set Israel free. And this is not all: two whole days have gone by since it all happened; and some women from our group have astounded us: they went to the tomb in the early morning, and when they did not find the body, they came back to tell us they had seen a vision of angels who declared he was alive. Some of our friends went to the tomb and found everything exactly as the women had reported, but of him they saw nothing."

Then he said to them, "You foolish men! So slow to believe the full message of the prophets! Was it not ordained that the Christ should suffer and so enter into his glory?" Then, starting with Moses and going through all the prophets, he explained to them the passages throughout the scriptures that were about himself.

When they drew near to the village to which they were going, he made as if to go on; but they pressed him to stay with them. "It is nearly evening," they said, "and the day is almost over." So he went in to stay with them. Now while he was with them at table, he took the bread and said the blessing; then he broke it and handed it to them. And their eyes were opened and they recognised him; but he had vanished from their sight. Then they said to each other, "Did not our hearts burn within us as he talked to us on the road and explained the scriptures to us?"

They set out that instant and returned to Jerusalem. There they found the Eleven assembled together with their companions, who said to them, "Yes, it is true. The Lord has risen and has appeared to Simon." Then they told their story of what had happened on the road and how they had recognised him at the breaking of bread.

The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

HOMILY (Sit)

THE APOSTLES' CREED (Stand)

I believe in God,
the Father almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,

(At the words that follow, up to and including 'the Virgin Mary', all bow)

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried;
he descended into hell;
on the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty;
from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and life everlasting.
Amen.

INTERCESSIONS

◀◀ SIT ▶▶

PREFACE DIALOGUE

Priest: The Lord be with you. ...

SANCTUS

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts. ...

◀◀ KNEEL ▶▶

THE MYSTERY OF FAITH (I)

Priest: The Mystery of Faith.

People: We proclaim your Death, O Lord,
and profess your Resurrection
until you come again.

INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

Priest: Behold the Lamb ...

People: Lord, I am not worthy
that you should enter under my roof,
but only say the word
and my soul shall be healed.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

The disciples recognised the Lord Jesus
in the breaking of the bread, alleluia.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Look with kindness upon your people, O Lord,
and grant, we pray,
that those you were pleased to renew by eternal mysteries
may attain in their flesh
the incorruptible glory of the resurrection.
Through Christ our Lord.



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Readings: Acts 2:14,22-33, Psalm 15, 1 Peter 1:17-21, Luke 24:13-35;
Next Week: Life's Vocation.
Sat 22 Apr Weekday : Sun 23 Apr Easter 3 : Mon 24 Apr St Fidelis of Sigmaringen : Tue 25 Apr St Mark Evangelist : Wed 26 Apr Weekday : Thu 27 Apr (Elphin: St Asicus) : Fri 28 Apr Peter Chanel/Louis de Montfort : Sat 29 Apr St Catherine of Siena : Sun 30 Apr Easter 4.

Reading the Scriptures

*In conversation with the
disciples on the way to Emmaus,
Jesus...*

*"Explained to them the
passages throughout the
scriptures that were about
himself." (Lk 24:27)*

*Later that same day, he would
appear to the eleven, and after
opening their minds to
understand the scriptures, he
showed...*

*"that everything written about
[him] in the law of Moses and
the prophets and the psalms
must be fulfilled." (Lk 24:44)*

*This confirmed that Jesus was
destined ...*

*"to suffer, and on the third day to
rise from the dead." (Lk 24:46)*

*After the disciples had
recognised the Risen Lord at
the breaking of bread, they said
to one another:*

*"Did not our hearts burn within
us while he talked to us on the
road, while he opened to us the
scriptures." (Lk 24:32)*

Summary

*Jesus used the texts of the
Old Testament as tools to
reveal his true identity to his
disciples.*

SUNDAY LETTER

Series: The Scriptures; Third Sunday of Easter Year A; 23 Apr 2023



In the course of his earthly ministry Jesus repeatedly interpreted the Scriptures – the Scriptures that today we call the Old Testament:

I have come ... to fulfil them ... You have heard that it was said ... 'you shall not kill' ... but I say to you, everyone who is angry with his brother shall be liable to judgment. (Mt 5:17,21-22)

Jesus, the Word made flesh, not only brought the Scriptures to fulfillment, but he was, in his own person, himself the definitive interpreter of the Old Testament (Jn 1:14).

The Spirit Reveals Jesus

Through the gift of the Holy Spirit, Jesus continues to deepen our understanding of the Old Testament. But more than this, in the New Testament, this same Spirit shows us the wonder of Jesus' own being and action:

*For the Law was given through Moses;
grace and truth came through Jesus
Christ.* (John 1:17)

*Jesus, in his own life, is
himself the definitive interpreter
of the Old Testament*

Question

How does the Spirit glorify Jesus?

Prayer

*Lord, may my reading of Scripture
deepen my love for you.*

The Spirit thus glorifies Jesus, for he takes Jesus' teaching and declares it to the Church, and through the Church, to the world (Jn 16:12-15).

David as a Prophet

In this Sunday's first reading, Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, explains Jesus' resurrection by interpreting Psalm 15. In this Psalm, David (the author of the Psalms according to the Hebrew tradition) expressed his deep trust in the Lord who would never leave his soul among the dead (Ps 15:10). Peter argued that David, whom all the disciples knew had died and was buried, was a prophet who foresaw the resurrection of Jesus. Jesus was his descendant, and his successor as king of Israel.

The Role of the Church

Jesus used the texts of the Old Testament as tools to reveal his true identity. The Church does the same today: it continues the work of revealing Christ to the world by interpreting the Old and New Testaments, just as St Peter had done beforehand:

No prophecy in scripture is a matter of one's own interpretation, because no prophecy ever came by the impulse of man, but men moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God. (2 Pet 1:20-21)

The Church, by explaining the Scriptures every Sunday, deepens our understanding of Christ, and through our prayer and work, brings his light and life to the world. ■