

17th May 2020

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Edenderry

# Link Up



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**Daily Mass**  
9am  
(No 9am Mass on day of funeral)

**Saturday**  
7p.m.

**Sunday**  
10a.m. & 11:30am

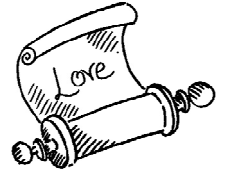
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## Calling Upon the Holy Spirit

Why do we keep rules? Probably to avoid penalties, punishment or adverse consequence! Rules are a necessary evil if we are to live in a well-ordered society. Commandments however are different from rules. Commandments are expressions of how we are to love each other. Perhaps we shouldn't need commandments, perhaps we should know how to love each other intuitively, but sadly it seems we need a little guidance and a lot of help. In today's section of the gospel known as the 'Farewell Discourse'. Jesus gives his disciples some final assurances. He tells them that although he will no longer be with them in the flesh, they will always abide in each other's love. The disciples will have plenty of opportunity to express that love by keeping his commandments. In return Jesus will send them, and us, an advocate, a spirit of truth .... the Holy Spirit. How easy life would be if Jesus had stayed with us in the flesh. All we would have to do is keep running to him for answers every time we got stuck. There wouldn't be any great long debates on abortion, euthanasia, assisted suicide, stem cell research or anything else for that matter ..... we would simply send Jesus an email and twiddle our thumbs awaiting the answer. Because he knew that he could not stay with us in person, Jesus left us with the Holy Spirit to take his place but how often do we call on it? We are good at thinking we can get through life under our own steam. Sometimes we can be opinionated, quite sure that we can work out all the answers for ourselves. Today we are reminded that the Holy Spirit is with us from our baptism and ready to be called upon whenever we need direction or revelation. For most of us, that probably means a daily call.



## LOVING AND HEALING GOD.

We, the people of Kildare and Leighlin turn to you in prayer, confident that you are with us and with all people in every moment. We stand before you as people of hope, trusting in your care and protection. May your faithful love support us and soothe the anxiety of our hearts. Generous God, fill us with compassion and concern for others, young and old, that we may look after one another in these challenging days. Bring healing to those who are sick with the virus and be with their families. Strengthen and protect all medical professionals caring for the sick and all who work in our medical facilities. Give wisdom to leaders in healthcare and governance that they may make the right decisions for the well-being of people. We pray in gratitude for all those in our country who will continue to work in the days ahead in so many fields of life for the sake of us all. Bless them and keep them safe. O God of creation and life, We place ourselves in your protection. May the mantle of your peace enfold us this day and tomorrow.

St Brigid, pray for us.  
St Conleth, pray for us.  
St Lazerian, pray for us.  
May all the saints of God, pray for us.

## Community Notices

### Mass via Webcam

Monday @ 11am- Service of the Word ~ Deacon Paul

Mass: Tues - Friday @ 11am

Saturday evening Mass @ 7pm

Sunday morning @ Mass 11:30am

**To view the Masses via: Webcam**

**Go to [edenderryparish.ie](http://edenderryparish.ie)**

**Click on Live Webcam**

Bishop Denis Nulty's Statement yesterday Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> May --- "The decision to close the Churches in our diocese was an act of solidarity to the National effort required to suppress the Covid-19 virus. I now feel it is time to re-open our Churches in a responsible manner for a minimum time each day for private prayer ....."

**St. Mary's Church, Edenderry will open each day from 12 Noon to 6pm. All Government Restrictions will be fully adhered to.**

**We ask people to keep social distancing (2 metres); to use sanitizers at the Candleabras; to enter front left door and exit front right door. Doors will be left open to minimise touching of handles.**

*Mass cards / Mass Bouquets can be got by phoning*

Stephanie @ 086 3954046

or Mary @ 085 1434132 or

[email: edenderryparishcentre@gmail.com](mailto:edenderryparishcentre@gmail.com)

Also if you would like to book an anniversary Mass give Stephanie or Mary a call/email or send Stephanie a private message on Facebook.

### Some helpful Services:

**Aware:** aware.ie or Tel: 1890 303 302

**Grow:** grow.ie or Tel: 1890 474 474

**LetSomeoneKnow:** letsomeoneknow.ie

**Teenline Ireland:** teenline.ie

**Samaritans:** Samaritans.org or 1850 60 90 60

**1Life:** Tel: 1800 247 100 or text HELP to 51444

**(HSE: Josephine Rigney (057 932 7909) Resource Officer for Suicide Prevention).**

**The Principal and Staff of St. Mary's Primary School** would like to give a big thank you to our parents and pupils for embracing and taking on board all the changes due to Covid 19.

We are available on our email to assist if help is needed; or if parents need to enrol their child for the next school year. Our email is [info@stmaryspsedenderry.ie](mailto:info@stmaryspsedenderry.ie). Take care and stay safe.



*Wrap your arms around yourself and give yourself a gentle hug.*

**1800 247 247 is a direct phone line to Pieta or text HELP to 51444. They are here to help and support you or someone you love and care for. ❤️**

### MASSES FOR THE COMING WEEK

**Saturday 7pm: Via: Webcam;**

**Sunday Via: Webcam; 11:30am:** George Maloney, Months mind Mass

**Monday 11am:** Via Webcam

**Tuesday 11am:** Via Webcam

**Wednesday 11am:** Via Webcam

**Thursday 11am:** Via Webcam

**Friday 9am: Mass Card Intentions**

**Saturday 7pm: Via: Webcam;** Patrick Kelliher

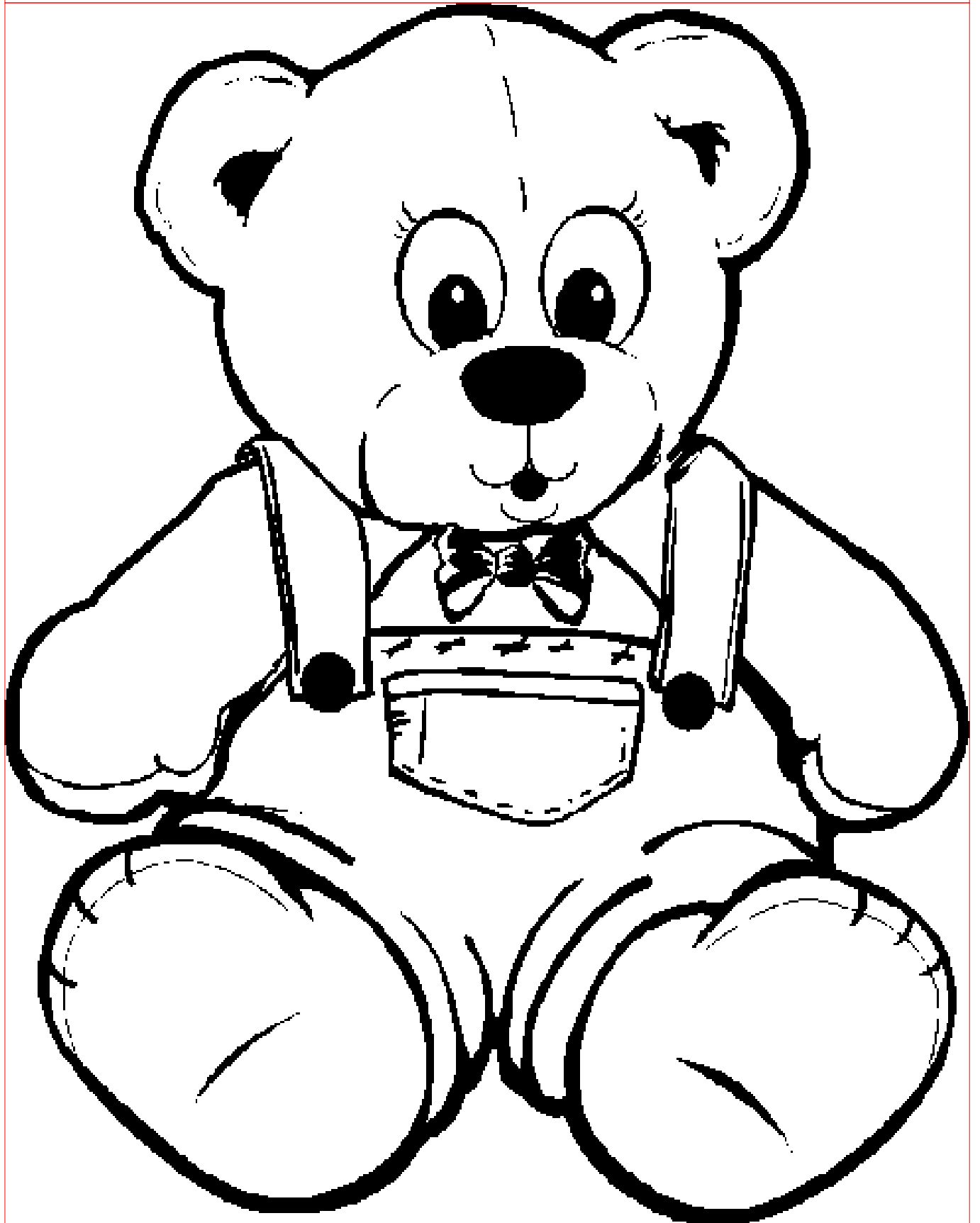
**Sunday 11:30am: Via: Webcam;**



*We Pray for the following whose Anniversary occurs around this time.*

# Prayer Corner

*Colouring*



**PENITENTIAL ACT** 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, through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; 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.

### **Gloria**

Glory 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 are 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.

### **OPENING PRAYER**

Grant, almighty God, that we may celebrate with heartfelt devotion these days of joy, which we keep in honour of the risen Lord, and that what we relive in remembrance we may always hold to in what we do. Through Christ our Lord. Amen

### **FIRST READING (8:5-8,14-17)**

**A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.**

Philip went to Samaritan town and proclaimed the Christ to them. The people united in welcoming the message Philip preached, either because they had heard of the miracles he worked or because they saw them for themselves. There were, for example, unclean spirits that came shrieking out of many who were possessed, and several paralytics and cripples were cured. As a result there was great rejoicing in that town. When the apostles in Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them, and they went down there, and prayed for the Samaritans to receive the Holy Spirit, for as yet he had not come down on any of them: they had only been baptised in the name of the Lord Jesus. Then they laid hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

**The word of the Lord.**

### **RESPONSORIAL PSALM:**

**Cry out with joy to God all the earth.  
Response:**

1. Cry out with joy to God all the earth, O sing to the glory of his name. O render him glorious praise. Say to God: How tremendous your deeds. **Response**
2. Before you all the earth shall bow; shall sing to you, sing to your name! Come and see the works of God, tremendous his deeds among all. **Response**
3. He turned the sea into dry land, they passed through the river dry-shod. Let our joy then be in him; he rules for ever by his might. **Response.**

### **SECOND READING (3:15-18)**

**A reading from the first letter of St Peter.**

Reverence the Lord Christ in your hearts, and

always have your answer ready for people who ask you the reason for the hope that you all have. But give it with courtesy and respect and with a clear conscience, so that those who slander you when you are living a good life in Christ may be proved wrong in the accusations that they bring. And if it is the will of God that you should suffer, it is better to suffer for doing right than for doing wrong. Why, Christ himself, innocent though he was, had died once for sins, died for the guilty, to lead us to God. In the body he was put to death, in the spirit he was raised to life.

**The word of the Lord**

### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Alleluia Alleluia

Jesus said: "If anyone loves me he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him.

Alleluia.

### **THE GOSPEL (14:15-21)**

**Priest:** *The Lord be with you*

**People:** **And with your Spirit**

**A reading from the Gospel according to John.**

Jesus said to his disciples: "If you love me you will keep my commandments. I shall ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate to be with you for ever, that Spirit of truth whom the world can never receive, since it neither sees nor knows him; but you know him; because he is with you, he is in you. I will not leave you orphans; I will come back to you. In a short time the world will no longer see me; but you will see me, because I live and you will live. On that day, you will understand that I am in my Father and you in me and I in you. Anybody who receives my commandments and keeps them, will be one who loves me; and anybody who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I shall love him and show myself to him."

**Priest:** **The Gospel of the Lord.**

**People:** Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

### **PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS**

Lord, accept our prayers and offerings. Make us worthy of your sacraments of love by granting us your forgiveness. We ask this in the name of Jesus the Lord.

### **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Almighty ever-living Lord, your restored us to life by raising Christ from death. Strengthen us by this Easter sacrament. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

### **Update on Funerals...**

Mass will be offered at Funerals from now on, with immediate family ONLY present, **(Max 10 people)**. Social distancing will be adhered to.

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:** will take place every Saturday morning from 9am – 12 noon, at the main Altar of the Church. Social distancing guidelines will be followed.