

## Parish of Killavullen and Annakisha

Thirty-Fourth Week in Ordinary Time (November 22 - 28, 2020)



## **Feast of Christ the King**: Our Shepherd King.

1st Reading: The image of God as shepherd occurs 43 times in the Hebrew scriptures. Like a shepherd, God watches over the entire flock. God's special concern is for the sheep who is lost and the wounded.

*Psalm 22:* One of the most famous portrayals of God as Shepherd in the Bible. This one is written from the viewpoint of the flock. We put our trust in God who leads us through the dark and tough experiences of life, including this year's pandemic.

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: St Paul explains that Christ, by his resurrection from the dead, has established a new relationship between God and creation. We are no longer subject to the forces of death and destruction, the original sin of Adam ("death came through one man"). Now we are children of Christ's light.

Gospel: An image for the judgment that will come at the end of time. We will be judged on how well we have responded to the needs of others - both those in our care as well as the stranger.

Fallen asleep in the Lord: Anniversaries: Tom Dillon

Our churches remain open for private visits, from where hard copies of the complete Sunday newsletter can be taken home. Please sanitize your hands on entering and exiting the church and wear a mask.

**Donations to the** Weekly Offerings; the Parish Buildings' Fund and the November Offerings can be made at the parish office. For the November list of the dead, include a list of the names of those you would like to be remembered at parish masses over the coming year. There are envelopes at both churches for this purpose.

**Appeal to Register:** Registration with the parish is a formal way of signing up your household's membership with our Christian community. Our parish currently has 214 registered households. Registered households will receive their new box of mini-envelopes during December for use throughout 2021. *Please register with the parish if you have not already done so*, by completing the relevant form at the back of either church and returning to the parish office or the suggestion box at the doorway of either church. The registration form can also be emailed to your address. Thank you.

**Bon Mot:** *Obstacles are simply stepping stones.* 

**Under Level 5 Covid-19 restrictions,** all public Masses and indoor / outdoor Church gaterings have been suspended. Churches expect to be reopened for public worship from December 1, following the same safety and distancing protocols as before the current lockdown.

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**Mass is broadcast** live every day at RTE NewsNow TV at 10.30am. On every second Sunday, Mass is broadcast at 11.00am on RTE TV One; on the other Sunday it is found on RTE NewsNow at 2.15pm. The readings of the day are found at the parish website: <a href="www.killavullenparish.ie">www.killavullenparish.ie</a>

Our Parish Council is ready to assist anyone who is self-isolating or is otherwise restricted because of the Level 5 public health guidelines. We can help with picking up shopping, make a friendly phone-call, assist with posting mail or obtaining urgent supplies. Please call the parish office if you would like the assistance of a local pastoral council member. Christian Meditation by Zoom: Continues this Monday (November 23) and for the remaining Mondays of the current lockdown at 7.00pm. To register send an email to <a href="mailto:dgcondon1@gmail.com">dgcondon1@gmail.com</a> You will then be emailed a link to the Zoom session which can be opened as the 40 minute meeting begins.

## Ten Tips for Living the Catholic faith in a Time of Covid19

(Pastoral Letter of Brendan Leahy, Bishop of Limerick)

- 1. Believe in a loving God. "Cast all your anxiety onto God" (St Paul)
- 2. Live in the Present Moment: "To love you, Lord, I only have today" (St Therese of Lisieux.
- 3. Love by Service. Don't wait, find ways of assisting those around you.
- $4.\,$  Slow down and look deeper. Contemplate the natural world around you.
- 5. Build up your family as the "domestic church", a small community of faith, prayer and worship.
- 6. Keep Sunday as the "Lord's Day". At this time the Sunday obligation to attend Mass is suspended; participate in an online liturgy instead.
- 7. Have daily prayer practices: including morning and night prayer, grace before and after meals, the Angelus at noon and at 6.00pm.
- 8. Tune into the Liturgical Season: currently the commemoration of the Dead. Advent will commence on November 29.
- 9. Discover the Word of God. Read a passage from the bible each day.
- 10. Make a Pilgrimage: to a holy place, within the 5km of your home.

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