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Solemnity of Pentecost [A]

28th May 2023

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St. Peter in Chains: Saturday between
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Mustard Seeds

✠ Too Busy for a Friend...

One day a teacher asked her students to list the names of the other students in the room on two sheets of paper, leaving a space between each name. Then she told them to think of the nicest thing they could say about each of their classmates and write it down. It took the remainder of the class period to finish their assignment, and as the students left the room, each one handed in the papers. That Saturday, the teacher wrote down the name of each student on a separate sheet of paper, and listed what everyone else had said about that individual. On Monday she gave each student his or her list. Before long, the entire class was smiling. 'Really?' she heard whispered. 'I never knew that I meant anything to anyone!' and, 'I didn't know others liked me so much,' were most of the comments. No one ever mentioned those papers in class again. She never knew if they discussed them after class or with their parents, but it didn't matter. The exercise had accomplished its purpose. The students were happy with themselves and one another. That group of students moved on. Several years later, one of the students was killed in Vietnam and his teacher attended the funeral of that special student. She had never seen a serviceman in a military coffin before. He looked so handsome, so mature. The church was packed with his friends. One by one those who loved him took a last walk by the coffin. The teacher was the last one to bless the coffin. As she stood there, one of the soldiers who acted as pallbearer came up to her. 'Were you Mark's math teacher?' he asked. She nodded: 'yes.' Then he said: 'Mark talked about you a lot.' After the funeral, most of Mark's former classmates went together to a luncheon. Mark's mother and father were there, obviously waiting to speak with his teacher. 'We want to show you something,' his father said, taking a wallet out of his pocket. 'They found this on Mark when he was killed. We thought you might recognise it.' Opening the billfold, he carefully removed two worn pieces of notebook paper that had obviously been taped, folded and refolded many times. The teacher knew without looking that the papers were the ones on which she had listed all the good things each of Mark's classmates had said about him. 'Thank you so much for doing that,' Mark's mother said. 'As you can see, Mark treasured it.' All of Mark's former classmates started to gather around. Charlie smiled rather sheepishly and said, 'I still have my list. It's in the top drawer of my desk at home.' Chuck's wife said, 'Chuck asked me to put his in our wedding album.' 'I have mine too,' Marilyn said. 'It's in my diary.' Then Vicki, another classmate, reached into her pocketbook, took out her wallet and showed her worn and frazzled list to the group. 'I carry this with me at all times,' Vicki said and without batting an eyelash, she continued: 'I think we all saved our lists.' That's when the teacher finally sat down and cried. She cried for Mark and for all his friends who would never see him again. The density of people in society is so thick that we forget that life will end one day. And we don't know when that one day will be. So please, tell the people you love and care for, that they are special and important. Tell them, before it is too late.

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BULLETIN HOME WITH YOU OR PASS IT
ON TO SOMEONE ELSE. THANKS!

8th Week of the Year 2023 [A]

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		St Bride's	St. John's	St. Mary's
Saturday 27 th May	Solemnity of Pentecost Vigil Mass at 5.30pm <i>Offered for Thomas & Hugh McEvoy (A)</i> <i>The Special Intentions of Pope Francis.</i>			Vigil Mass at 4.30pm (L)
Sunday 28 th May	Solemnity of Pentecost Mass at 10.30am <i>Offered for our Parishes</i>	Mass at 12.15pm	Mass at 11.30am	Mass at 10am (L)
Monday 29 th May	Memorial of Mary, Mother of the Church Prayer of the Rosary 9.30am, Mass at 10am <i>Offered for Little Family (A)</i>			
Tuesday 30 th May	8th Week of the Year Prayer of the Rosary 9.30am, Mass at 10am <i>Offered for Elizabeth McCrae (SI)</i>	Mass at 10am		Mass at 10am (L)
Wednesday 31 st May	Feast of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary Prayer of the Rosary 9.30am, Mass at 10am <i>Offered for Michael Reilly (A), Mary & Seamus Reilly Snr (A)</i>		Eucharistic Service at 10am	Funeral Mass at 10am Sarah Barbour
Thursday 1 st June	Requiem Mass for Rose Ann Bannon Mass at 10am			Mass at 10am (L)
Friday 2 nd June	8th Week of the Year Prayer of the Rosary 9.30am Mass at 10am <i>Offered for Monsignor Murphy (A)</i> Exposition and Benediction 10.30am	Mass at 10am <i>Offered for Mary Hulks (RD)</i>	Mass at 10am	
Saturday 3 rd June	Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity Vigil Mass at 5.30pm <i>Offered for Rosemary Lee (RD), Kenny Breen (A)</i>			Vigil Mass at 4.30pm (L)

The Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.
I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,
begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven,
(all bow)
and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary,
and became man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,
he suffered death and was buried,
and rose again on the third day
in accordance with the Scriptures.
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead
and his kingdom will have no end.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

Peter Ross.

✚ Those who have died recently:

Stephen Frank, Kayden Frank, Rosemary Lee.

✚ Those who died at this time of Year:

*Eileen McNulty, Desmond Langan 2005,
Jim Little 1945, Andrew McCarroll 1967,
Hugh McEvoy 2016, William McNeil 2007,
Robbie Smallridge 2022, William Stewart 2006,
Kenny Breen 2018, Gerald Kelly 2014, Des Madine 1982,
Brian Towie 2013, Cameron Walsh 1987,
Joseph Bale 2011, Simon Brannan, Tilly Doherty,
James Kyle 1992, Sadie Grant 2001,
Anthony Lundie 2010, Maria Manfredini 2018,
Isabella McCarroll 1968, Anne-Marie McLaughlin 2017,
Kathleen Conway 1989, Bessie Grant (McCourt) 2002,
Dora Grogan 2010, Canon Nicholas Murphy 1992,
Pat Walker 1999, James Lane 1995, Mary Kelly 1985,
William McMullan 1939, Tony O'Brien 2015,
Peg Brown 1991, Michael Collins, Annie Daniels 2014,
Fitzpatrick and Fitzsimmons families,
Susan Giffney 1972, Teresa McEvoy 2014,
Greta McGreevy 2009, Janette Smyth 2007.*

St. Bride's & St. Peter's Notices

► **REQUIEM MASS FOR ROSE ANN BANNON AT ST PETER'S**

Please pray for the Repose of the Soul of Rose Ann Bannon, who died on 14th May 2023, aged 78 years. Her Requiem Mass will be on Thursday, 1st June 2023 at 10am, followed by Interment at Ardrossan Cemetery. Her Month's Mind Mass will be on Wednesday, 14th June at 10am. May she rest in peace and rise in glory.

► **SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM AT ST PETER'S** We welcome to the Family of the Church Niamh Rose Lewis, who will be baptised this Saturday. Congratulations to her parents and Godparents.

► **SACRAMENT OF FIRST HOLY COMMUNION AT ST BRIDE'S** Our prayers and congratulations to Nicholas Monir who will receive his First Holy Communion this Sunday and also to Thomas Ferrie who will receive his First Holy Communion next Sunday on 4th June. May their First Holy Communion be days of great joy and gratitude.

► **ST BRIDE'S WELCOME NICHOLAS** Today, Sunday after Mass, Parishioners of St Brides will welcome First Communicant Nicholas Monir with refreshments and cake in the garden. We hope to see you there.

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£5 adults £3 children
Tickets at the door

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What is the Significance of Pentecost?

Pentecost is the 50th and final day of the Easter Season. 50 Days after Jesus' resurrection (and 10 days after Jesus' Ascension), the apostles were gathered together, waiting for the promised "Holy Spirit" to come upon them. Jesus had told his Apostles prior to ascending into heaven, "you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you, and you will be my witness in Jerusalem, throughout Judea and Samaria and the ends of the Earth." Acts 1:8. And as always, Jesus kept His promise. Pentecost celebrates the outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles and the beginning of the Church. The Holy Spirit empowered the Apostles. They went out into the streets of Jerusalem and began preaching to the crowds gathered for the festival. Not only did the disciples preach, but by a miracle of the Holy Spirit they spoke in the native languages (tongues) of the people present, many which had come from all corners of the Roman Empire. The apostle and first Pope of the Church, Peter addressed the crowd, preaching to them about Jesus' death and resurrection for the forgiveness of sins. The result was the first three thousand converts to the Catholic Church. The power of the Holy Spirit is the life of all Christians; as a Church, we are called to reach beyond our own borders, our own comfort and find our place within the entire body of believers. We as baptised Christians, filled with the same Holy Spirit that came down on the Apostles on Pentecost, are to offer the witness of the kingdom of God to our family, our society and the global community.



Just for a Laugh...

A man had two of the best tickets for the FA Cup Final. As he sits down, another man comes along and asks if anyone is sitting in the seat next to him. "No", he says, "the seat is empty.." "This is incredible!" said the man, "who in their right mind would have a seat like this for the FA Cup Final, the biggest sporting event of the year, and not use it?" He says, "Well, actually, the seat belongs to me. My wife was supposed to come with me, but she passed away. This is the first Cup Final we haven't been to together since we got married." "Oh... I'm sorry to hear that. That's terrible. I guess you couldn't find someone else, a friend or relative or even a neighbour to take the seat?" The man shakes his head... "No. They're all at the funeral."

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