

Parish of Bright Bulletin
Solemnity of Pentecost
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Mass Times: Week Beginning Monday 20th May

<i>St Patrick’s, Legamaddy</i>	<i>St Joseph’s, Killough</i>
20th May Monday 10am	21st May Tuesday 10am
24th May Friday 7.30pm	22nd May Wed 7.30pm
26th May Sunday 10am	25th May Saturday 10am
	25th May Sat Vigil 6.30pm

Our Lady, Star of the Sea, Rossglass
23rd May Thursday 10.00am

Faithful Departed

Anniversaries: Bridie Laverty

Weekly Confession

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available after all weekday Masses and at 6.00pm before the Saturday Vigil Mass in St Joseph’s.

Eucharistic Adoration

St Patrick’s Church, Legamaddy every Tuesday from 2.30-3.30pm.
St Joseph’s Church, Killough every Wednesday from 1.30pm-7.30pm.

Downpatrick Family of Parishes: You are invited to attend a meeting about the new Downpatrick Family of Parishes (Downpatrick, Saul and Ballet, Kilclief, Dunsford & Ardglass, Bright) in ‘Patrick’s Place’ (Crypt of St Patrick’s Church) on Tuesday 28th May at 7.30pm.

Divine Mercy Holy Hour

St Joseph’s, Killough on Sunday 19th May at 3.00pm.

Parish of Bright Cemetery Sunday

Sunday 9th June: St Joseph’s, Killough at 1.00pm and Our Lady, Star of the Sea, Rossglass at 3.00pm. Sunday 23rd June: St Patrick’s, Legamaddy at 3.00pm

Down & Connor Diocesan Novena to The Sacred Heart: Renew Our Hearts

From Thursday May 30th to Friday June 7th, the Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. As Bishop Alan McGuckian SJ begins his time as bishop of the diocese he would love everyone in the diocese to join him in nine days of prayer, asking Jesus to give us a new heart. Many people among us are weary or wounded, hurting in one way or another. He wants us to make a novena for each other, aware that we are brothers and sisters in Christ. The prayers will be available in a booklet you can pick up at Mass or read online; it will also include a piece of scripture and a reflection for each day for those who wish to go a little deeper. Bishop Alan’s hope is that this novena will be prayed either individually or together by parishes, groups, schools or families. Even young children can join in with the short prayers!

From the Compendium of the Catechism of the Catholic Church

What does the Church mean when she confesses: “I believe in the Holy Spirit”?

To believe in the Holy Spirit is to profess faith in the Third Person of the Most Holy Trinity who proceeds from the Father and the Son and “is worshipped and glorified with the Father and the Son”. The Holy Spirit is “sent into our hearts” so that we might receive new life as sons of God.

What are the names of the Holy Spirit? “The Holy Spirit” is the proper name of the third Person of the Most Holy Trinity. Jesus also called Him the Paraclete (Consoler or Advocate) and the Spirit of Truth. The New Testament also refers to Him as the Spirit of Christ, of the Lord, of God - the Spirit of Glory and the Spirit of the Promise.

What symbols are used to represent the Holy Spirit? There are many symbols of the Holy Spirit: Living Water which springs from the wounded Heart of Christ and which quenches the thirst of the baptised; Anointing with Oil, which is the sacramental sign of Confirmation; Fire which transforms what it touches; the Cloud in which the Divine Glory is revealed; the Imposition of Hands by which the Holy Spirit is given; the Dove which descended on Christ at His baptism and remained with Him.

What happened at Pentecost? At Pentecost, which occurred fifty days after the Resurrection of Jesus, the glorified Jesus Christ poured out the Holy Spirit in abundance and revealed Him as a Divine Person so that the Holy Trinity was fully manifest. The mission of Christ and of the Holy Spirit became the mission of the Church which is sent to proclaim and spread the mystery of the communion of the Holy Trinity.

What does the Holy Spirit do in the Church? The Spirit builds, animates and sanctifies the Church. As the Spirit of Love, He restores to the baptised the divine likeness that was lost through sin and causes them to live in Christ the very life of the Holy Trinity. He sends them forth to bear witness to the Truth of Christ and He organises them in their respective functions so that all might bear “the fruit of the Spirit” (Galatians 5:22).