

Parish of Bright Bulletin

Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

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Mass Times: Week Beginning Monday 3rd June

<i>St Patrick’s, Legamaddy</i>	<i>St Joseph’s, Killough</i>
3rd June Monday 10am	4th June Tuesday 10am
7th June Friday 7.30pm	5th June Wed 7.30pm
9th June Sunday 10am	8th June Saturday 10am
	8th June Sat Vigil 6.30pm

Our Lady, Star of the Sea, Rossglass
6th June Thursday 10.00am

Faithful Departed

Recently Deceased: Doreen Sharvin
Anniversaries: John Joseph McIlmail, Bobby McFall, Fred & Annie Smyth,
Mary Kate Mageean, Kate Rice, Pauline Meleady

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 7.00-8.00pm.
St Joseph’s Church, Killough every Wednesday from 1.30pm-7.30pm.

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

Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus - Friday 7th June

To conclude our Diocesan Novena to the Sacred Heart you are invited to attend the Friday evening Mass in St Patrick’s, Legamaddy at 7.30pm.
Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, I place all my trust in You!

Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Jesus (Corpus Christi)

““While they were eating, Jesus took bread, said the blessing, broke it, gave it to them, and said,“Take It; this is My Body.” Mark 14:22

The Church’s annual celebration of *Corpus Christi*—the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ—is a uniquely Catholic celebration. Inspired by the devotion of St. Julian of Cornillon and Blessed Eva of Liège, this feast was added to the Church’s calendar in 1264.

We could say that, in a sense, every celebration of the Mass is a celebration of *Corpus Christi*, but on this day we are invited to reflect on the gift of Christ’s abiding presence in the Eucharist in a particular way. And, in the readings assigned to this feast this year, the Church asks us to pause and consider the sacrifice and self-gift that are embodied in the Eucharist.

The images of sacrifice that are included in the First and Second Readings for this feast help us understand how significant the offering and sharing of Jesus’ Body and Blood really is.

In the Eucharist, we have both sacrifice and gift as His handing over of His Body and Blood (all that He is) at the Last Supper was an anticipation of the total offering of Himself that took place on that Good Friday.

Jesus loves us so much that He holds nothing back from us. He gives all of Himself to us. His love becomes the source of our life. And, just as mothers give of their very selves to nourish their children, Jesus does the same for us.

As we adore and give thanks for the gift of the Eucharist on this *Corpus Christi*, we are also invited to consider how we are using the gift we have received. Are we open to the life—His Life—that Jesus offers us in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood and are we willing to offer the gift of our selves for the sake of others in remembrance of Him?”

(By Brother Silas Henderson SDB)