

## Church of Our Mother of Divine Grace, Ballygall Parish

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**Third Sunday of Easter 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2023**

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### Recently Deceased

We remember those who have died this week, especially, Michelle McKeown, Thomas Lattimore, Michael Brady, Declan Foley, Gerald Cunningham and Carmel Boland. May they Rest in Peace.

### Day Of Prayer for Vocations

**Sunday, April 30**, will be the Day of Prayer for Vocations.

### Volunteers Required

If you have an hour to spare, we welcome you to join our volunteers on either a Friday or Saturday to clean the church. For more details phone the sacristy.

**Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock 2023**, which will be led by Archbishop Farrell, will take place on **Saturday, April 29**.

Our Lady of Victories have organised a bus for anyone interested in travelling on the Dublin Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock. The bus will leave Our Lady of Victories Church at 7.45am on April 29th and make one quick stop en route. Arriving at Knock in time to participate in the procession we will depart after the Mass leaving at 4.30pm. The cost is €20.00 per person. If you are still interested please contact Grainne 01 8420346 in Our Lady of Victories Church, between 10 and 1pm Monday to Friday to book and make arrangement of payment.

### Trócaire

If you can, please donate online or over the phone. Donations can be made online at <https://www.trocaire.org/donate/make-a-donation>. Boxes can also be left into the sacristy after Mass. Final drop off next weekend.



### Mass Intentions Monday 24<sup>th</sup> to Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> April.

Monday	7.25	Coleen Moroney	10.00	For all those who sympathised with the family of recently deceased Frances Sloan.
Tuesday	7.25	James & Mary Doyle	10.00	Special Intention
Wednesday	7.25	Rhona Dargle & Deirdre Farrell	10.00	Available
Thursday	7.25	Tom & Tommy O'Donohoe	10.00	Michelle McKeon
Friday	7.25	Sean O'Donoghue	10.00	Available
Saturday	10.00	Margaret Hunter	Confessions available after 10.00am & 6.30pm Mass.	
	6.30pm	Months Mind Remembrance Mary Kelly Monica Moran Francis Smith, Gerry Lawlor.		
Sunday	10.00	Patrick Sutton		
	11.30	Ned Healy, John & Ann Madden, Denis & Evelyn O'Brien, Marie Malone.		

### 2023 March For Life

Join us to stand together in response to Ireland's spiralling abortion numbers. Bank Holiday Monday May 1st 2pm. Marching from St. Stephen's Green to Leinster House.

### Who Is She? Conference

Who is She?, a day-long conference for Our Lady, takes place on **Saturday, May 13**. Come to the historic DCU All Hallows campus for insightful talks, prayer, Mass, good food and great company. What can we learn from early Irish Christians' Marian devotion? And how can we love Jesus as His mother loved Him? To find out, come join us on May 13, from 9.30 to 4.30 in DCU All Hallows. Cost €30. For more information or to book contact [mariaassumptadublin@gmail.com](mailto:mariaassumptadublin@gmail.com).

### Lourdes Kindness Pilgrimage to Lourdes.

Invalid Pilgrimage with Nurses and Carers in Attendance. 22<sup>nd</sup> June 5 nights. Special Subsidised Fare €855 per person sharing (deposit €300 required & non-refundable) for more information contact Terry Clarke, 01 8348549 or 087 4129792.

### Easter Dues

The priests of the Parish wish to express their sincere thanks and gratitude to all who have sent in their Easter Dues, your support is greatly appreciated.

### The Spirit Reveals Jesus

Through the gift of the Holy Spirit, Jesus continues to deepen our understanding of the Old Testament. But more than this, in the New Testament, this same Spirit shows us the wonder of Jesus' own being and action:

*For the Law was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ.* (John 1:17)

The Spirit thus glorifies Jesus, for he takes Jesus' teaching and declares it to the Church, and through the Church, to the world (Jn 16:12-15).

### David as a Prophet

In this Sunday's first reading, Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, explains Jesus' resurrection by interpreting Psalm 15. In this Psalm, David (the author of the Psalms according to the Hebrew tradition) expressed his deep trust in the Lord who would never leave his soul among the dead (Ps 15:10). Peter argued that David, whom all the disciples knew had died and was buried, was a prophet who foresaw the resurrection of Jesus. Jesus was his descendant, and his successor as king of Israel.

### The Role of the Church

Jesus used the texts of the Old Testament as tools to reveal his true identity. The Church does the same today: it continues the work of revealing Christ to the world by interpreting the Old and New Testaments, just as St Peter had done beforehand:

*No prophecy in scripture is a matter of one's own interpretation, because no prophecy ever came by the impulse of man, but men moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.* (2 Pet 1:20-21)

The Church, by explaining the Scriptures every Sunday, deepens our understanding of Christ, and through our prayer and work, brings his light and life to the world. ■



### Summary

*Jesus used the texts of the Old Testament as tools to reveal his true identity to his disciples.*

*Jesus, in his own life, is himself the definitive interpreter of the Old Testament*

### Question

*How does the Spirit glorify Jesus?*

### Prayer

*Lord, may my reading of Scripture deepen my love for you.*



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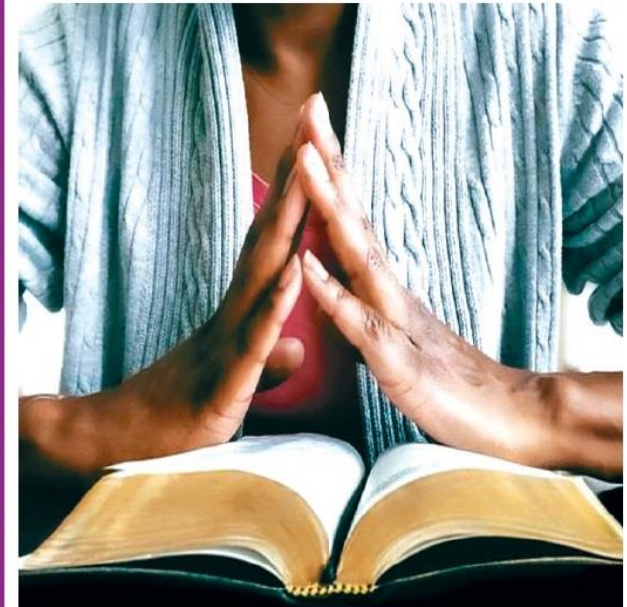
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Sat 22 Apr Weekday : Sun 23 Apr Easter 3 : Mon 24 Apr St Fidelis of Sigmaringen : Tue 25 Apr St Mark Evangelist : Wed 26 Apr Weekday : Thu 27 Apr (Elphin: St Asicus) : Fri 28 Apr Peter Chanel / Louis de Montfort : Sat 29 Apr St Catherine of Siena : Sun 30 Apr Easter 4.



# SUNDAY LETTER

Series: The Scriptures; Third Sunday of Easter Year A; 23 Apr 2023



## Reading the Scriptures

*In conversation with the disciples on the way to Emmaus, Jesus...*

*"Explained to them the passages throughout the scriptures that were about himself." (Lk 24:27)*

*Later that same day, he would appear to the eleven, and after opening their minds to understand the scriptures, he showed...*

*"that everything written about [him] in the law of Moses and the prophets and the psalms must be fulfilled." (Lk 24:44)*

*This confirmed that Jesus was destined ...*

*"to suffer, and on the third day to rise from the dead." (Lk 24:46)*

*After the disciples had recognised the Risen Lord at the breaking of bread, they said to one another :*

*"Did not our hearts burn within us while he talked to us on the road, while he opened to us the scriptures." (Lk 24:32)*

In the course of his earthly ministry Jesus repeatedly interpreted the Scriptures – the Scriptures that today we call the Old Testament:

*I have come ... to fulfil them ... You have heard that it was said ... 'you shall not kill' ... but I say to you, everyone who is angry with his brother shall be liable to judgment.* (Mt 5:17,21-22)

Jesus, the Word made flesh, not only brought the Scriptures to fulfillment, but he was, in his own person, himself the definitive interpreter of the Old Testament (Jn 1:14).