

Killiskey Parish

May 2018

Announcements

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**"GOD'S LOVE HAS BEEN POURED INTO OUR HEARTS THROUGH THE HOLY SPIRIT
THAT HE HAS GIVEN US" (Romans 5: 5)**

CHURCH SERVICES

Sun 6th 11.00am Holy Communion
Bible Readings: Acts 10: 44-48; Psalm 98;
1 John 5: 1-6; John 15: 9-17

Fri 11th 10.00am School Service, all welcome

Sun 13th 07.30am Ecumenical Ascension Celebration
with Ashford Parish and the Unity Gospel Choir at the Bel-Air Hotel, followed by
optional breakfast at cost of €10 each (please advise Ken if staying for breakfast)

11.00am Morning Prayer and Holy Baptism
with Sunday Club running in parallel

Bible Readings: Acts 1: 15-17, 21-26; Psalm 1;
1 John 5: 9-13; John 17: 6-19

Sun 20th 11.00am Pentecost Sunday Holy Communion
Bible Readings: Acts 2: 1-21; Psalm 104: 26-36, 37b;
Romans 8: 22-27; John 15: 26-27; 16: 4b-15

Sun 27th 09.00am Trinity Sunday Holy Communion
11.00am Family Service
Bible Readings: Isaiah 6: 1-8; Psalm 29;
Romans 8: 12-17; John 3: 1-17

REMINDER—ASHFORD COUNTRY FAIR

The 6th annual Ashford Country Fair will take place in the grounds of the Bel-Air Hotel on Bank Holiday Monday, 7th May from 11am to 4pm. Look forward to seeing you there!

If you can assist in helping on one of the stalls or can provide goods for sale, please contact Amanda Mooney, Bernadette Glover or Lesley Rue.

EASTER VESTRY

Congratulations and thanks to all who were appointed/elected at the Easter Vestry:
Rector's Churchwarden: Sally Smith
People's Churchwarden: Juliet Belton
Rector's Glebewarden: Michael Norman
People's Glebewarden: Ivan Sheane
Other Select Vestry Members: Stephanie McDonald (Hon Secretary), Amanda Mooney, Hazel Bayley, Patricia Butler, Bernadette Glover, Richard Henderson, David Harte, Albert Mahon (Hon Treasurer), Lesley Rue, John Smyth, Frances Tottenham and Lucy Tottenham.

We thank our now retired churchwardens, Jane Hammond and Dan Healy, who acted in that capacity for six and five years respectively. We also thank Anne Newton and Edgard Hall for their service on the outgoing select vestry.

GIRLS' BRIGADE

The 15th Annual Display of Wicklow Girls' Brigade takes place in Fatima Hall, Dominican Convent, Wicklow Town on Saturday, 12th May at 7pm. It will be well worth supporting!

REGULAR WEEKDAY DIARY

The Unity Gospel Choir meets for rehearsals in Nun's Cross church on Mondays at 8.00pm. New members welcome!

The Hub is open Monday to Friday mornings from 10am to 1.30pm and on Saturdays from 11am to 3pm (subject to availability of volunteers). Lesley Rue would be interested in hearing from any new potential volunteers.

On Thursday mornings from 10.30am LET'S CRAFT! meets in The Hub.

ROTAS

We need more help with cleaning the church and arranging flowers for the church and with organising tea/coffee for the end of services. We are very grateful to those who help the church in this way but would like to spread these tasks more widely. Rotas are posted on the church notice board in the porch and beside the font. Please sign up if you can!

ECO TIPS—GARDENING WITHOUT CHEMICALS / WITH KINDNESS

Following the exceptionally cold, wet spring, many people are frantically trying to catch up in their gardens by tidying, sowing and planting – a useful short-cut is to visit a garden centre and buy some of the myriad flower and vegetable plants on display. Additionally, however, you may well be greeted by an overwhelming array of pesticides and sprays, all full of chemicals and all with the express aim of killing plants or animals that are perceived to be pests. Think carefully if they really are essential before buying any. Does it matter if moss grows in your lawn? In areas where wet, slippery moss on tarmac or concrete could pose a hazard, try using detergent powders, less noxious than other moss killers. Weed killers often do not have long-lasting effects and need repeat sprayings. In the time spent spraying, the area could have been weeded. The old-fashioned hoe is a very useful tool! Slug pellets are toxic to many bird species, so try using organic pellets, slug traps filled with coffee or beer, or spreading bran or crushed baked egg shell around delicate plants. Spray diluted washing up liquid if you need to kill aphids or, better still, use ladybirds. Treat your garden kindly. Sow three times the number of seeds you need, one each for the larder, the weather and birds/other animals.

ECUMENICAL BIBLE WEEK

Ecumenical Bible Week is now in its fifth year and runs from Pentecost Sunday (20th May) to Trinity Sunday (27th May). Rev Ken Rue co-chairs this week together with Fr Kieran O'Mahony. This year's theme is "Handing on Faith: Crisis, Challenge and the Great

Commission" and the key verse is "I handed on to you what I myself received (1 Corinthians 11: 23).

The Church of Ireland involvement in the week's events is significant. Archbishop Jackson is one of the panellists at the *Thinking Allowed* session on Thursday 24th in Holy Cross Diocesan Centre, Clonliffe. He will be joined by Archbishop Eamon Martin of Armagh and three married couples. The discussion will focus on the question: "What have we from our experience discovered about living and passing on the faith?" The panel will be chaired by DCU Chaplain, Philip McKinley and there will be an opportunity for audience participation.

During the week there will be talks in 10 different places. Local venues and topics included are:

Arklow, St Saviour's Hall, Tuesday 22nd @ 8pm – Can we share our faith without being annoying?

Greystones, St Patrick's Hall, Wednesday 23rd @ 7.30pm - Our special way of talking about God

A full programme of events may be seen at www.bibleweek.ie or go to Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/bibleweekie>

VISIT OF CANON HATEM SHEHADEH

As part of the link with the Diocese of Jerusalem, Canon Hatem Shehadeh from Haifa, Israel will be visiting Nun's Cross School and East Glendalough School on Friday 25th May. Canon Hatem is involved in a schools' peace project in Haifa.

ASCENSION DAY PRAYER

O God, whose blessed Son,
our great high priest,
has entered once for all into the Holy Place
and ever lives to intercede on our behalf:
grant that we,
sanctified by the offering of his body
may draw near with full assurance of faith
by the way which he has dedicated for us
and evermore serve you, the living God;
through the same your Son,
our Lord Jesus Christ,
who lives and reigns with thee,
O Father, and the Holy Spirit,
one God, world without end. Amen.

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If your postal, email or phone number has changed please let us know. Also to promote events or post information in the parish newsletter or on the website, please contact our Parish Administrator Sinead Todd by email on: wicklolandkilliskeycoi@outlook.com

FACEBOOK

You may find the latest parish news and some great photographs on the Nun's Cross Facebook page at:
<https://www.facebook.com/KilliskeyParish>

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