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**The Most Holy Body  
and Blood of Christ  
(Corpus Christi)**



**YEAR OF SAINT JOSEPH**  
December 8, 2020 - December 8, 2021



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## Living Memory

What if we forgot the sacrifices people have made for us? What if we forgot all about the martyrs who died so that we could have religious freedom? What if we forgot all about the soldiers who fought and died so that we could enjoy political freedom? What if we forgot the grandparents and parents who have sacrificed their own comforts to make our lives better? The answer is obvious. If we forgot the sacrifices others have made for us we would have little or no appreciation of what is important in our world. We would have no understanding of what has made us who we are.

At the Last Supper Jesus charges us to keep his memory alive. We must break bread and drink wine in his name. In celebrating the Eucharist we celebrate the memory of his passion and death. As we break bread and drink wine in his name we recall Jesus' opposition to religious sham, his commitment to forgiveness and inner healing, his determination to overcome sin, his promise to feed us, and his ultimate sacrifice.

When we remember the soldiers who have died for our freedom we remember how important it is to fight against oppression and injustice. When we remember the sacrifices our parents have made for us we remember to do them credit in everything we achieve. When we come together to share in Holy Communion, we remember that we are offered the sustenance to step out of church and live Christ's memory in everything we do.

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CHURCH OF THE ASSUMPTION, THE HEATH

**Sunday:** 9.30am

CHURCH OF THE HOLY CROSS, RATHENISKA

## THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

Ex 24:3-8

Ps: 115:12-13, 15-18

Heb 9:11-15

Mk 14:12-16, 22:26



## Fáilte

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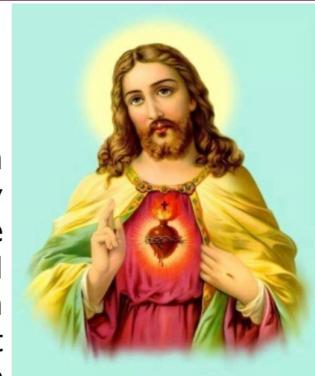
Fionn Thomas Carey,  
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**Baptised last weekend**

## Month of the Sacred Heart

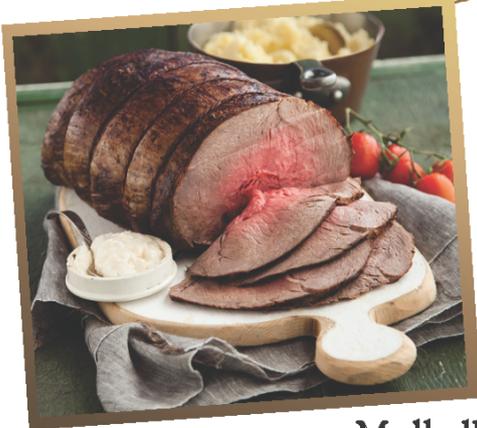
Since the 16th century Catholic piety has assigned entire months to special devotions. The month of June is set apart for devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Devotion to the Sacred Heart is the celebration of God's love for us. The Sacred Heart is the symbol of the eternal love by which "God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son". (Jn 3:16)





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## The Last Supper



People have a lot of ways to help them remember things. One of the oldest memory tricks is a simple piece of string. If you want to remember something, tie a piece of string around your finger. Then, every time you look at your finger and see that string, it will remind you of what it was you wanted to remember.

Another method people use is to use post-it notes. Simply write what it was you need to remember and stick it on the mirror in the bathroom, or, perhaps on the refrigerator. Then, every morning when you are getting ready to go to school, or whenever you go to the refrigerator for a drink or a snack, you will see the reminder.

In today's Gospel, Jesus and his disciples gathered together to celebrate the Festival of the Unleavened Bread. As they were eating, Jesus took some bread, blessed it, and broke it into pieces and gave it to his disciples. He said, "Take it and eat, for this is my body."

Next, Jesus took a cup of wine and gave thanks. Then he said, "This is my blood of the covenant." All of the disciples drank from the cup.

Ever since that day, the followers of Jesus have followed the example given in the Scriptures. Some call it Communion, others call it the Lord's Supper, and others, the Eucharist. Whatever we call it, we do it to help us to remember that Jesus gave his body and shed his blood in death on the cross so that we might have eternal life in heaven with him. What a beautiful reminder for you and me.



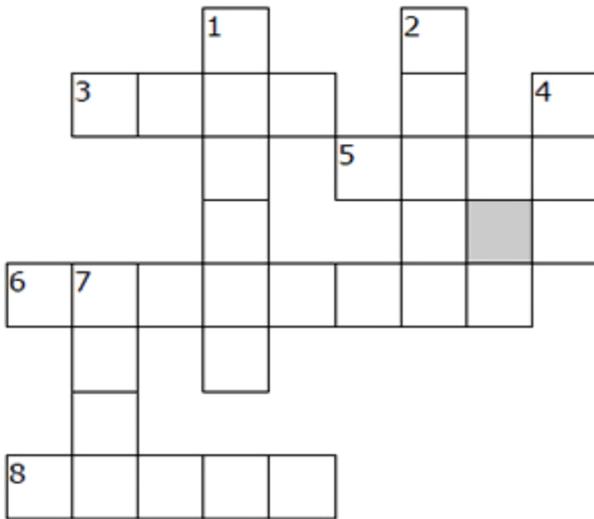
## Prayer

Father, we thank you for Jesus and for the salvation we have because of his death on the cross. As we partake of the bread and wine, help us to remember his sacrifice.

In Jesus' name we pray.  
Amen.



## Crossword Puzzle - The Family of God



### ACROSS:

3. A person who is not owned or controlled by some one else.
5. A man or boy.
6. Persons between birth and youth.
8. A native or inhabitant of Greece.

### DOWN:

1. A women or a girl.
2. A person who is owned by someone else and works for them.
4. A member of a race of people whose religion is Judaism.
7. One who receives wealth or property from a parent.

*Jew - Heir - Female - Slave - Male - Greek - Children - Free*

## Word Search - The Family of God

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Follow Me: write or draw in the footprints the ways that you can put other people first.





# TIME TO THINK!

## THE GIFT OF FRIENDSHIP

In a song made famous by the singer James Taylor, Carole King wrote of friendship. The opening verse says it all:

*When you're down and troubled  
And you need some lovin' care  
And nothin', nothin' is goin' right  
Close your eyes and think of me  
And soon I will be there  
To brighten up even your darkest night*

*You just call out my name  
And you know, wherever I am  
I'll come runnin'  
To see you again  
Winter, spring, summer or fall  
All you have to do is call  
And I'll be there  
You've got a friend.*

The months of lockdown have been a good time to explore the essence of our friendships, for just how strong are our relationships one with another?

It is often said that, in times of trouble, you find out who your true friends are.

We all have many acquaintances, the passing relationships of our frequent email exchanges, where in a few casual words we trade views. Sometimes, it is with correspondents we have never met other than as a recognized name in our inbox. Gradually, over a period of time, trust and acceptance is built up and a personal understanding develops, to the extent that a friendship is formed. There are those you know you can depend on to reply.

In our lifetime we make few lasting friendships, relationships that have real depth and understanding. We meet many people though our years in school, in further education and in our place of work. Our social contacts through clubs and societies offer another strata of experience. But real friendship has a depth of sharing that is not found in casual contact but comes from living together over an extended period of time.

That is where the boundary of friendship and love hovers uncertainly, where friendship leads to a commitment from two people to share their lives in a particular way that is recognized by those around them.

A friend listens but doesn't make judgment, offers the opportunity for you to work through the stress and complexity of the given moment in a place of safety, trust and understanding. Often we can reach a solution by the very act of speaking, sharing with one another helps us find our way through the complex maze that surrounds us, one step at a time.



We build friendships through shared activity, occasions of sharing that strengthen confidence. Such trust begins in small ways. It stands the test of time and circumstance and becomes valued till you can honestly say 'You've got a friend'.

Because of the strength of such a bond, it is all the more painful when friends let us down. Sometimes, those in whom we placed our trust are found wanting in time of need. Then comes the difficult work of rebuilding, of making fresh again that which has been damaged, a time of forgiveness for perceived wrong. That has to be done face to face without the interference of technology for it is about the nature of relationships. Text messages, email and phone calls don't have the emotional capacity to handle such a delicate task of repair.

Those who gathered round Jesus, trusted friends, came to betray him when the chips were down. Peter, challenged during the trial of Jesus by servants, denied knowing the man on three occasions before hearing the crowing of the dawn cockerel. Later, on the shores of the lake he was forgiven and a friendship was repaired over sharing of a breakfast meal.

That sign of friendship, of eating together, has been missing during the virus lockdown. Offering a meal to friends in our homes or going out for a meal together has not been possible. Somehow, the exchange of chat over the phone has not been an adequate option. But it has been something, a reaching out, a time of listening. The open door of our friend's home will return and we will welcome each other once again with a handshake, a hug and a gentle kiss of greeting. May God bless your days, in so many ways, with good friends to love, and gifts from above, with sunshine and laughter, and joy ever after.

Friendship by Khalil Gibran [Excerpt]

"And a youth said, Speak to us of Friendship. And he answered, saying:

Your friend is your needs answered. He is your field which you sow with love and reap with thanksgiving. And he is your board and your fireside. For you come to him with your hunger, and you seek him for peace."

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*Sadly missed by your loving wife  
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HUGH CALLAGHAN**

*Borris Great, Portlaoise.  
1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary away from home; 6<sup>th</sup> June 2021*



Treasured thoughts of one so dear,  
Often bring a silent tear,  
Thoughts of scenes long past,  
Years roll on but memories last.

*Loved and remembered by your loving  
niece Cindy Byrne and family.*

*Rest in Peace Uncle Hugh*



**In Loving Memory of  
DAVID CARROLL**

*35<sup>th</sup> Anniversary occurs 7<sup>th</sup> June 2021*



Because you cannot see me, does not  
mean that I'm not there, because I am in  
Heaven, does not mean I do not care.

I often see you crying, you often say my  
name, I want to hold you tight,  
I want to ease your pain.

It's easy for me, for I know Heaven is real,  
If you knew the truth, how much better you  
would feel.

One day we will meet again, when the time is right,  
When you step out of the darkness, I will be standing in the light.

*Always remembered and never forgotten; Dad, Mam, Sister,  
Brothers, Sisters-in-law, Brother-in-law, Nieces and  
Nephews xxxxx*

**Also remember David's Grandad**

**JIM CARROLL**

*Anniversary occurs 9<sup>th</sup> June*

Will those who think of him today,  
A little prayer to Jesus say.

*Always remembered, Jimmy, Maureen, grandchildren and  
great-grandchildren. xxxxx*

*May David and Jim Rest in Peace*



**In Loving Memory of  
ELLEN GAYNOR**

34<sup>th</sup> Anniversary occurs 6<sup>th</sup> June 2021



Anniversary Mass will be celebrated in Sts. Peter & Paul's Parish Church on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> June at 6.30pm.

Wonderful memories of Mam so dear,  
Treasured still with a love sincere,  
In our hearts you are living still,  
We loved you too dearly to ever forget.

*Lovingly remembered today and forever by your loving daughters,  
son-in-law, granddaughters, great-granddaughters and  
great-grandson xxx*

*Rest in Heavenly Peace Mam forever*

**In Loving Memory of  
PEGGY BRENNAN**

Colliers Lane, Portlaoise.  
3<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary Occurs 10<sup>th</sup> June 2021



Anniversary Mass will be  
celebrated in St. Peter and Paul's  
Parish church on 13th June at  
10am.

*Remembered with great love and  
abiding memory by her husband Aidan  
and extended family and friends.*

*Rest in Peace Peggy*

**In Loving Memory of  
BILLY COLBERT**

4 Borris Rd. Portlaoise.  
6<sup>th</sup> Anniversary occurs 9<sup>th</sup> June 2021.



Anniversary Mass will be celebrated  
in Sts. Peter & Paul's Parish Church  
on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> June at 10am.

*We did not see you close your eyes,  
We did not see you die,  
All we knew was that you were gone,  
Without a last goodbye.*

*It was a sudden parting,  
too bitter to forget,*

*Only those who loved you are the ones who will never forget.*

*The happy hours we once enjoyed,  
How sweet their memories still,  
But death has left a vacant place, this world can never fill.*

*Your life was one of kindly deeds,  
A helping hand for others' needs,  
Sincere and true in heart and mind, beautiful memories left  
behind.*

*Loved and remembered by your son Edwin, your grandchildren,  
Mai and your brothers and sisters.*

*May Billy Rest in Peace*

**In Loving Memory of  
Aaron Jordan Kelly**

Knockmay and Millbrook, Portlaoise.  
2<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary occurs 7<sup>th</sup> June 2021



Anniversary Mass will be celebrated  
in Sts. Peter & Paul's Parish Church,  
on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> June at 10am.

*Wonderful memories woven in gold,  
This is a picture I tenderly hold,  
Deep in my heart a memory is kept,  
To love, to cherish, never to forget.*

*Sadly missed and always loved and remembered by your  
heartbroken Mum, Mudasar, brothers Brandon, Noah and  
Junaid and sister Aisha xxx*

*Rest in Peace Aaron*

**In Loving Memory of  
GERARD DUNNE**

Braccas, Ballacolla, and formerly Borris Little,  
Portlaoise.  
4<sup>th</sup> Anniversary away from home occurs 8<sup>th</sup> June.



Anniversary Mass will be  
celebrated in Sts. Peter & Paul's  
Parish Church, on Tuesday  
8<sup>th</sup> June at 10am.

*We begin to remember, not just  
that you died, but that you lived,  
and that your life gave us  
memories too beautiful to forget.*

*Sadly missed and always  
remembered by Kathleen and all his family xxx*

*May Gerard Rest in Peace*

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*Philippians 4:6: Be anxious for nothing, but  
in everything by prayer and supplication with  
thanksgiving let your requests be made  
known to God.*

*In Loving Memory of*  
**Louis G. CULLITON**

12 Glendowns, Portlaoise.  
2<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary Occurred 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2021

Will those who think of Louis today  
A little prayer to Jesus say.



*Sadly missed, love and remembered by  
his loving wife Mairéad, sons, Donne  
and Eamonn, daughter Síle, sisters  
Nano, Maura and Alice, and  
extended families.*

*Rest in Peace Louis*

**5<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY REMEMBRANCE**

*In Loving Memory of*  
**JIM FITZPATRICK**  
*Abbeyleix Rd., Portlaoise.*



*Jimmy, Suaimhneas Dé ár  
d'anam dílis, le grá ó do  
chíann go léir*

*In Loving Memory of*  
**BILLY LYNCH R.I.P.**

*St. Brigid's Place, Portlaoise. (5<sup>th</sup> Anniversary)*

Anniversary Mass will be celebrated in Sts. Peter & Paul's  
Parish Church this Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> June at 10am.

*Bill*

Although you can't be here with me,  
we're truly not apart,  
Until the final breath I take, you'll be  
living in my heart.

Loved always and missing you, from  
Betty xxx

*Dad*

Nothing can ever take away, the love a  
heart holds dear,

Fond memories linger every day, re-  
membrance keeps him  
near.

Loved always from your sons xxx

*Dad*

Every year gets harder, since you were taken away,  
A Dad so very special, in our hearts you'll always stay,  
We think about you always and miss you everyday.

Love always Lisa and Ann-Marie xxx

*Grandad*

You're never far from mind Bill and spoke of everyday,  
You left us many memories that will never go away.

Missing you grandad Bill.

Love from your grandchildren and great-grandchildren xxx

*In Loving Memory of*  
**CRAIG AND AARON  
GORMAN-KELLY**

105 Cherrygrove, Portlaoise.  
*Birthday Remembrance  
for Craig on the 2<sup>nd</sup> June  
2nd Anniversary for Aaron  
occurs on the 7th June*



We think of you  
in silence,  
We often speak  
your name,  
But all we have  
are memories,  
and your picture  
in a frame.



Your resting place we visit,  
And put flowers there with care,  
But no one knows the heartache,  
As we turn and leave you there.

*From your loving father Michael, brother Brandon  
and sister Chloe, extended family and friends.*

*May They Rest in Peace*

*In Loving Memory of*  
**DANIEL (Dan) CONROY**

*Glenfield, Portlaoise.*

*7<sup>th</sup> Anniversary occurs 8<sup>th</sup> June.*



**Dan's Anniversary Mass will  
be celebrated in St. Peter &  
Paul's Parish Church on  
Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> June at 6.30pm**

*Sadly missed and always remembered by your  
loving nieces and nephews.*

*May Dan Rest in Peace*

*In Loving Memory of*  
**WILLIAM (Willie) Mills**

*Whose 24<sup>th</sup> Anniversary occurs on  
Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> June.*



William's anniversary mass will be  
celebrated on Saturday, 12th June at  
6.30pm.

*Sadly missed and always remembered by  
your brother Paddy, sister in law Anna,  
Nieces Chloe, Aishling and Laura x*

*May William Rest in Peace*

## BIRTHDAY REMEMBRANCE

In Loving Memory of my Beautiful Son

**JAMIE-LEE MOORE**

6<sup>th</sup> Birthday away from home occurs 5<sup>th</sup> June 2021.



My eyes are filled with tears again  
As I stand here where you lay  
I think of you every Second  
But miss you everyday  
My body is full of sadness  
That you are no longer here  
Pain is only soothed  
By memories I hold so dear  
My tired heart is broken  
And doesn't beat the same

And it breaks a little more  
Every time I hear your name  
My dreams are of the future  
When I no longer feel this pain  
I'll follow you to heaven  
And we will meet again

Happy Heavenly Birthday Son. Love and miss you always  
Mammy xxxxx

Birthday Remembrance of our dear Brother, Jamie-Lee

Is there a party up in heaven to  
celebrate today?

Did Angels frost a cake for you  
or sing to start your day.

We're celebrating you down  
here

As they must be above, we  
truly hope your special day is  
filled with peace and love.

This day was always special as  
we gathered round you here,  
we'd sing and laugh to  
celebrate your day with so  
much cheer.

We miss those special mo-  
ments that we shared through-  
out the years, it's hard to find  
that on this day our eyes now  
fill with tears, we try hard to  
smile for you, but ohhh that  
empty chair, we turn around  
and find ourselves still shocked  
that you're not here.

Please know we are thinking of  
you as we go throughout each  
day, this day is very special  
though because it's your  
birthday.

Happy heavenly 23<sup>rd</sup> Birthday Jamie

Loved and missed always, Tanya, Tina, Jake, Taylor and  
your niece Kyra-mae xxx

Birthday Remembrance for a Precious Grandson

Grandson,

You were the center of our world. A grandson held so dear, but now  
that world is shattered and you're no longer here.

But all you need to know today, is how much joy you brought, you  
brightened every moment.

Though your life was far too short, you were loved completely from  
the day that you were born. And no one could imagine such a  
dreadful day would dawn, but memories are wonderful.

And though they still bring pain, they give us hope and keep us strong  
until we meet again.

Happy heavenly 23<sup>rd</sup> Birthday Jaime-Lee

You're loved and missed always  
Nanny Mag, Caroline, Boys

Birthday Remembrance for a Precious Nephew

I thought of you today  
But that is nothing new  
I thought about you yesterday  
And will tomorrow too.  
I think of you in silence  
And make no outward show.  
For what it meant to lose you

Only those who love you know  
Remembering you is easy  
I do it everyday  
It's just the heartache of losing  
you  
That will never go away

Love and miss you always Jamie-Lee, Aunty Sharon, James,  
kids, Nanny Maureen and Uncle Kevin xxxxx

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**CEMETERY SUNDAY**  
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**FAITHFUL DEPARTED**

The First Sunday of June is usually the time we gather for our annual Cemetery Mass. This will be the second year in a row that we can't gather in the usual way but we keep all our departed friends and families in our prayers.

We pray for all who lost their lives during the pandemic and or for all who died with COVID 19.

*Eternal Rest Grant unto Them O Lord*  
*And let Perpetual light Shine Upon Them.*  
*May Their Souls, and the Souls of all the Faithful*  
*Departed through the mercy of God*  
*Rest in Peace.*

## Portlaoise Parish



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3rd June 2021



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### LORD

As I prepare for my exams help me to study well.

Help me to stay calm and not become over anxious.

Let Your Spirit guide me and help me to remember what is truly important in life.

Help me during the exams to remember what I have studied and to present my answers to the best of my ability.

Lord, stay close to me and help me in my studies.

Amen.

A Mass for all Leaving Cert Students will be held via our parish webcam [www.portlaoiseparish.ie/webcam/](http://www.portlaoiseparish.ie/webcam/)

on at 7.30pm on Tuesday 8th June.

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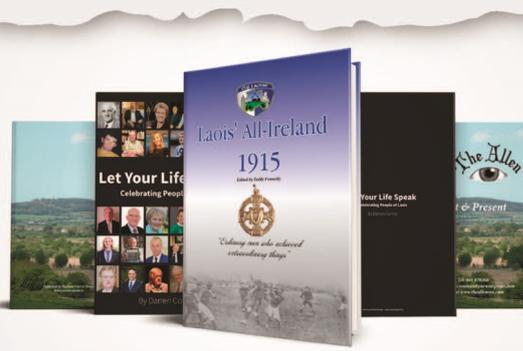
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