

## **PATRICKSWELL/BALLYBROWN PARISH NEWSLETTER**

### **Synod prayer**

*God our Father, You have called us to be your Church.*

*As we prepare for a Diocesan Synod be with us in the power of your Spirit;*

*Open our ears to hear your word, our eyes to see the needs of your people.*

*Help us to cast off our prejudice, to face bravely the problems of our church.*

*Keep us united in constant prayer through Jesus Christ your Son,*

*and with Mary our Mother.*

*So that **together in mission – a time to begin again**, we can build our church,*

*your people, to be a sign of your loving saving presence in our country and our Diocese.*

*Here we are, Lord, Holy Spirit; we stand before you in hope.*

*Come and enter our hearts.*

*Show us what we must do and where we must go together to please you in all things.*

*Be the beginning and the energy of our discernment and our judgements,*

*You, who with the Father and his Son, are one glorious and holy God.*

*Gathered in your name, may we be conformed to Christ the Lord,*

*awakened to his Kingdom,*

*and guided in our synod's work, all to the glory of God the Father. Amen.*

### **CONFIRMATION CEREMONIES**

We welcome Bishop Leahy, we welcome and pray for all those who will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. We hope that the Holy Spirit may guide them all the days of their lives.

We give thanks for all who have guided the faith formation of our young people over the years leading up to confirmation.

At home, at school and in various ways in our community.

This is a special day...not just for our young people but for all of us to renew the gift of the Holy Spirit in our lives.

**Confirmation Ceremony** will take place in Ballybrown Church on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> at 10.00am with transmission to Community Centre for overflow of people.

In Patrickswell Church at 12.30pm. All parishioners welcome.

- **Synod Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> April – Closing Mass:** The opening Mass of our Synod saw a packed Cathedral celebrating a joyful liturgy. It was uplifting and encouraging. Now we gather in prayer and discernment to hear the voice of the people of God in this diocese.

Surely then our closing Mass will not be an ending but a sending forth of a celebration of the gift of the Holy Spirit in our diocese. So this will be a special event that all are invited to - come and join us, hear the good news and be inspired!! **Sunday, April 10th at 7pm in St John's Cathedral.**

**Last week's Collection:**

**Patrickswell: €900**

**Ballybrown: €970**

- **Patrickswell Tidy Towns Group** - We will be meeting this Tuesday April 12<sup>th</sup> at 6.30pm in The Dark Horse car park to carry out the annual Spring Clean, before this year's work commences. We would welcome any volunteers who can give us an hour of their time, or more or less, to help us. Gloves, pickers and bags will be provided, and many hands make light work. Any help would be greatly appreciated, thank you.
- **Parkinson's Awareness Week** will run from 10th to 16th April 2016 and as part of this the Mid-West Branch of the Parkinson's Association will hold a Fundraising Coffee Morning at Bobby Byrne's Wolfe Tone Bar, O'Connell Avenue, Limerick, on Thursday 14th April next from 9.30am to 11.30am. For more information contact Eddie Butler [ejbutler@tinet.ie](mailto:ejbutler@tinet.ie); Mobile 08706776446; L/line 061 342971.
- **Knock:** The Apostolate of Eucharistic Adoration Invites Adults, Teens and Children on a Special Year of Mercy Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine on Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> April. Contact No. 061 397460. Price of Bus: €15 per person. Time: 8.00am Sharp, at South Court Hotel, Raheen.

### **Masses for the week**

#### **PATRICKSWELL:**

Monday to Friday at 9.30am. Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> no 9.30am mass.

Saturday 6.30pm & Sunday 10.00am.

**Month's Mind Mass** - Peter Bennis on Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> April at 6.30pm.

**Eucharistic Adoration on Saturday 8.00am - 12.00 mid-day.**

**Also on Thursdays 7.00 to 9.00 pm in meeting room.**

**Pre-Baptismal Gatherings:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month at 7.30pm.

**Baptisms:** 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> weekends of the month. Saturdays 5.00pm/Sundays 12.30pm.

#### **BALLYBROWN MASSES:**

Monday, Thursday & Friday at 9.30am. Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> no 9.30am mass.

Wednesday 8.00pm. Saturday 8.00pm & Sunday 10.00am

**Adoration:** Wednesday 7.00am – 8.00pm.

**Pre-Baptismal Gatherings:** 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of the month at 7.30pm.

**Baptisms:** 1st & 3rd weekends of the month. Saturdays 5.00pm/Sundays 12.30pm.

**One month's notice required when booking a Baptism.**

Bookings can be made with Pauline in the Parish Office or with the Church Sacristans.

**Parish Office Hours: Mon/Thurs/Fri 9.30am to 3.30pm. Tel: 353454**

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