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**Keeping Children Safe:** the Diocese of Killala is fully committed to keeping children safe. Information is available about diocesan child safeguarding on the website [www.killaladiocese.org/safeguarding](http://www.killaladiocese.org/safeguarding). Anyone with issues or concerns around the safety of children should telephone the diocesan confidential helpline 0871003554. Concerns and complaints may also be passed on directly to TUSLA (Child & Family Agency) and/ or An Garda Síochána.

**THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER –Child Safeguarding Sunday—14 APRIL, 2024**

**MASS TIMES — Church of Our Lady Assumed into Heaven, Enniscrone**

Sat.	April 13th	10am:	<b>Peggy Quigley</b> (1st Anniv.)
		8 pm:	<b>John &amp; Rita Lynott &amp; Agnes Conway-Parke</b>
Sun.	April 14th	10am:	<b>Michael &amp; Rita Barrins</b> , Carrowhubcock
Mon.	April 15th	9.30am:	<b>Vincent (Vinnie) Munnely</b> , Killala
Tues.	April 16th	9.30am:	<b>Michael Gallagher</b> , Cabra, Rathlee
Wed.	April 17th	9.30am:	<b>Personal Intention-Get Well</b>
Thurs.	April 18th	9.30am:	<b>Urbano &amp; Inacio Barreto &amp; Joaquina Pereira</b> , Goa
Fri.	April 19th	9.30am:	<b>Mass for Fr. John Carroll</b> on his Diamond Jubilee as a priest
Sat.	April 20th	8pm:	<b>Patrick &amp; Margaret Flynn &amp; their daughter Maura;</b> <b>Padraic &amp; Mary Clarke</b> , Carrowhubcock North
Sun.	April 21st	10am:	<b>Kay Brennan</b> (2nd Anniv.)

**MASS TIMES — Church of the Holy Family, Kilglass**

Sat.	April 13th	12noon:	<b>Margaret Durkan</b>
Sun.	April 14th	12noon:	<b>Margaret (Peg) &amp; Alice Golden</b> , London/Leaffoney ( <b>Month’s Mind</b> )
Mon.	April 15th	7pm:	<b>Francis, Mary, P.J. &amp; Tommy Barrett</b>
Tues.	April 16th	7pm:	<b>Personal Intention</b>
Wed.	April 17th	7pm:	<b>Michael &amp; Agnes Doherty</b>
Thurs.	April 18th	7pm:	<b>Tommy Hargadon</b> (4th Anniv.)
Fri.	April 19th	7pm:	<b>Paddy Murray</b>
Sat.	April 20th	12noon:	<b>First Holy Communion (Kilglass NS)</b>
Sun.	April 21st	12noon:	<b>Margaret Riley</b> (1st Anniv.), <b>Nora, Thomas, Tommy &amp; Sarah Hargadon</b>

**We welcome into God’s family recently baptised:**  
**Frankie Patrick Joe McDermott-Arnold**, Ballyglass, Kilglass

**We pray for recently deceased:**  
**Sarah Teresa Mullen nee Padden**, Pier Rd, Enniscrone  
**Conor Ritchie**, Bangor, Co. Down (brother of Tim Ritchie, Pier Road, Enniscrone)  
**Mary Kate Johnson**, London/Faranoo, Ballina (sister of Margaret Hannon)  
**Veni Moraes**, Goa

**Rosary recited**—9am to 9.20am- before the daily 9.30am mass in Enniscrone Monday to Friday

**Adoration Chapel** in Enniscrone, accessible from outside the back of the Church from 8am to 8pm

**Readings for next Weekend —Fourth Sunday of Easter — April 21st, 2024**

**First Reading:** Acts 4L8-12

**Psalm** 117: 1, 8-9,21-23,26,28-29

**Second Reading:** 1 John 3:1-2

**Gospel :** John 10: 11-18

### **Apostolic Administrator of the Diocese of the Killala**

Archbishop Francis Duffy, Archbishop of Tuam assumed responsibility for every aspect of the administration of the Diocese of Killala on Friday, April 12th. This Sunday April 14th Archbishop Francis will celebrate Mass in St. Muredach's Cathedral at 11am. At that mass Bishop John will welcome him to the diocese.

Bishop John will celebrate a Mass of Thanksgiving on Sunday week, April 21st at 11am in St. Muredach's Cathedral. All parishioners of the diocese are welcome to attend. Please show your appreciation for his ministry in the diocese for the last twenty-two years by attending that mass.

### **Moy Singers Spring Concert** Great National Hotel Ballina Saturday 20th April. 8pm.

Special guest : Marc Roberts. Tickets available from Choir members, Ballina Tourist Office and the Great National Hotel.

**RHS Home Care** look after older people in the community. .RHS Home Care is a Non Commercial Home Care Provider bringing professional home care services to those who need assistance to remain living in their own homes. We are now recruiting new Healthcare Assistants in your area and would love to hear from you. Potential applicants must have the required QQI level 5 (two modules completed care skills and care of the older person). Please email your CV to [jobs@rhshomecare.ie](mailto:jobs@rhshomecare.ie) or call Aoife on 090 66 25988

### **Child Safeguarding Sunday 2024**

Dear Friends, On Child Safeguarding Sunday 2024 in the diocese of Killala, I am happy to report to you that the conclusion of the 2023 Report by the National Board for Safeguarding Children in Ireland on our diocese stated; 'Everyone involved in safeguarding is to be commended for their care and commitment to work together, and give generously of their time to keep children and young people safe and happy while involved in Church activities'. This Report assures all of us that this diocese is a safe place in which children can be involved in the life of the Church. I ask you, therefore, to encourage your young people to become involved in your local parish community, as Mass servers, Readers and so on. Young people give us the hope of a vibrant Church in the future since the future is theirs.

I am also conscious of the deep pain suffered by so many through the abuse of children at every level in society but especially in Church, which should have been a safe haven for them. **Towards Healing is a counselling** service established by the Irish Church and supported by each diocese for those who have suffered abuse at the hands of a priest. **Towards Peace is a spiritual service**, also established by the bishops for those whose faith has been deeply affected by the experience of abuse by clergy. Both services are free and contact details for both are to be found in the porches of your parish church.

As we mark Safeguarding Sunday in our diocese, let us pray for each other and especially for those who continue to suffer from the effects of abuse. + John—Bishop of Killala

**"The North West Hospice Memorial Walk** takes place this Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> April at 12 midday in Sligo.

Walk in memory of a family member, friend, neighbour or work colleague.

Register online now at [www.northwesthospice.ie/memorialwalk/](http://www.northwesthospice.ie/memorialwalk/) or call (071) 9170523"

Thank you

**Holy Communion for Coeliacs:** The priest at Mass has low gluten hosts for people who are coeliac or have gluten intolerances. When coming forward to receive Holy Communion in **Enniscrone or Kilglass**, please indicate to the priest that you are a coeliac

**Notices for Church Bulletin:** Any notices that you would like to have included in our weekly Parish Bulletin can be emailed to [kilglass-enniscrone@killaladiocese.org](mailto:kilglass-enniscrone@killaladiocese.org) or send a message to Kilglass Enniscrone Parish Facebook Page. Notices can also be dropped into the Parish House. Please have notices in by 12 noon on Wednesdays.

**Please keep in touch with the Parish online** by following our Facebook Page "Kilglass Enniscrone Parish

**Indoor food and Craft Market every Saturday** in The Old Church, Enniscrone from 11am to 3pm. It features a wide range of handmade gifts, paintings, home baking, vegetables, bric a brac and local crafts. All welcome . Please support



# SUNDAY LETTER

Series: Jesus: Human & Divine : Third Sunday of Easter, Year B, 14th April 2024

## The Presence of Christ

*When I was a young woman I struggled with the idea of Jesus as a historical figure. I often asked myself: "Was he really a man born in a certain place and time; and if he was, what significance has that for me?"*

*Back then, the world was full of heroes. Was Jesus just another hero, a social activist murdered because he threatened the status quo?*

*I felt a bit like the disciples on the road to Emmaus: What did it all mean? Do we know Jesus now only as a memory ... as a historical figure who lived a little over 2000 years ago?*

### Real Presence

When I was growing up I learned from my parents that Jesus is present to us now in realtime. We never had a bible in our house; our encounter with the Risen Lord came through prayers like the Rosary and the Mass, even though this was still in Latin. In many ways I wonder if this was a deprivation, as we were not hearing the Scriptures in a language that made sense. I believe Vatican II changed all that for the better.

As a young person I knew in my heart, more than in my head, that the risen Jesus was really present in the Eucharist, but I held the narrow view that it was only in the physical host that Jesus was really present.

Over my lifetime I have learned that in the Mass, Jesus is present to us in three ways, and all three are important.

### Firstly: In the Scriptures

Firstly, Jesus is present in the words of Scripture as they are read aloud in the



liturgy. Vatican II teaches that ...

*"The Church has always venerated the divine Scriptures just as she venerates the body of the Lord, since, especially in the sacred liturgy, she unceasingly receives and offers to the faithful the bread of life from the table both of God's word and Christ's body ... [The Scriptures] make the voice of the Holy Spirit resound in the words of the prophets and Apostles ... In the sacred books, the Father who is in heaven meets his children with great love, and speaks with them."*

(Dogmatic Constitution on on Divine Revelation #21)

I love reading and praying the Scriptures privately as it prepares me for the public participation in the liturgy. I also love our weekly *Lectio Divina* group where we look, read, pray and discuss the readings for the following Sunday. It is often here that I experience the Father meeting his children with great love, and I hear him speaking with us as a small community.

### Summary

*All who participate in the liturgy reveal the real presence of Jesus in the community.*

### Question

*What significance has the historical reality of Christ have for my life?*

### Secondly: In the Breaking of Bread

Jesus is present to us in a tangible way in the breaking of bread. In Holy Communion we have an experience of his presence which is different from all others. In the gospel this Sunday we hear Jesus say that he is not a ghost, so he invited his followers:

*Touch me and see for yourselves.* (Lk 24:39)

Jesus' touch is important; it is a healing touch. In receiving him in Holy Communion we touch and see Jesus in a unique way.

### Thirdly: In the Community

The real presence of Jesus is experienced in the community, gathered with the celebrant. By our full, active participation though our bodies, by our responses to the prayers, by singing, by movements and gestures, all who participate in the liturgy reveal the real presence of Jesus in the community.

### Contemplation and Action

The Christian life is about contemplation and action. If we understand that Jesus is truly present with us and in us, we offer ourselves by mediating Christ's presence to others. The very word "Liturgy" means "the work of the people". So I pray that Christ may rise in us, and that we may rise with Him. ■

### Prayer

*Lord, help me to see your presence in the Scriptures, the host, and in the community.*