

# St. Mary's & St. Columba's Parish

## Newsletter

### Sixth Sunday of Easter

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### May is the Month of Mary

It is the church's tradition to pray the Rosary, especially in May and October. Since it is May, let us pray the Rosary. If you do not have time, please pray at least one decade every day. But how beautiful it is to pray the Rosary together before Mass or after Mass! Our Parish Theme of 2025 was "The family which prays together, stays together." This year's theme is "Abide in Me, as I abide in You" The best way to stay, "abide, "remain, in a relationship with the Lord, is through prayer, and these repetitive prayers of our Father, Hail Mary, Glory to the Father, anchor us to the Lord.

The Holy Rosary is composed of twenty decades. Each decade consists of the Our Father, ten Hail Marys, and Glory be to the Father. Each decade is recited in honour of some Mystery in the life of our Lord and his Blessed Mother.

We begin the Holy Rosary with: The Apostles Creed

Let us remind ourselves of the Mysteries of the Holy Rosary:

<b>The Joyful Mysteries (Monday &amp; Thursday)</b>	<b>The Sorrowful Mysteries. (Tuesday &amp; Friday)</b>
<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Annunciation.</li><li>2. The Visitation.</li><li>3. The birth of Jesus.</li><li>4. The Presentation.</li><li>5. The finding of the Child Jesus in the Temple.</li></ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. The Agony in the Garden.</li><li>2. The Scourging at the Pillar.</li><li>3. The Crowning with Thorns.</li><li>4. The Carrying of the Cross.</li><li>5. The Crucifixion and Death of Jesus.</li></ol>

<p><b>The Glorious Mysteries (Wednesday &amp; Sunday)</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The Resurrection.</li> <li>2. The Ascension.</li> <li>3. The Descent of the Holy Spirit.</li> <li>4. Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary.</li> <li>5. The Crowning of the Blessed Virgin as Queen of Heaven.</li> </ol>	<p><b>The Mysteries of Light (Thursday)</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Jesus is Baptized in the Jordan.</li> <li>2. The manifestation of Jesus at the Wedding in Cana.</li> <li>3. Jesus Proclaims the Kingdom of God and calls to conversion.</li> <li>4. The Transfiguration.</li> <li>5. The Last Supper and Institution of the Eucharist.</li> </ol>
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### Hail, Holy Queen

Mother of Mercy, hail our life, our sweetness and our hope! To you do we cry, poor banished children of Eve; to you do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this valley of tears. Turn then, most gracious advocate, your eyes of mercy towards us; and after this our exile, show us the blessed fruit of your womb, Jesus. O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary. Pray for us, O holy Mother, that we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

**Fr. Joseph**

Please find below details of this week's Mass intentions and other services in our Parish of St. Mary's, Castletown (C/T), and St. Columba's, Port Erin (P/E).

<b>Week commencing 10<sup>th</sup> May</b>			
Sunday 10 <sup>th</sup> May <b>Sixth Sunday of Easter</b>	C/T P/E	9 am 11 am	People of the Parish Dorothy Hillier (RIP)
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> May <b>Monday of week six of Easter</b>			No Mass
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> May <b>Tuesday week six of Easter</b>	P/E	10 am	Mary and Kath (Private Intention)
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> May <b>Feast of the Dedication of the Cathedral</b>	C/T	10 am	Fr. Brian O'Mahony (RIP)
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> May <b>Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord</b>	P/E	10 am 10.45 am 7 pm	Theresa Condron (Get Well) Confessions Ann and Jim Dolan (For Good Health)
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> May <b>Friday week six of Easter</b>	C/T	10 am	Benefactors of the Parish
Saturday 16 <sup>th</sup> May <b>Saturday week six of Easter</b>	C/T	10 am 10.45 am	Intentions to Our Lady of Rushen Confessions
Sunday 17 <sup>th</sup> May <b>Seventh Sunday of Easter</b>	C/T P/E	9 am 11 am	Brenda Lynch (Sick) People of the Parish

**Responsorial Psalm:**

Cry out with joy to God, all the earth.

**Gospel Acclamation:****Alleluia alleluia**

If anyone loves me, he will keep my word says the Lord, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him.

**Alleluia****Communion Antiphon:**

If you love me, keep my commandments, says the Lord, and I will ask the Father and he will send you another Paraclete, to abide with you for ever Alleluia.

**Offertory Collection:** The offertory collection for April was £952.46 The second collections were £264-59 for Priest Training Fund and £221.09 for the Holy Land. Thank you very much for your generosity.

**Second Collection:** Next Sunday there will be a second collection for World Communications.

**Holy Day of Obligation:** Next Thursday is the Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord there will be a 10 am Mass at St Columba's and a 7pm Mass at St Mary's.

**Novena:** The Spiritan Fathers announce the beginning of the Novena to the Holy Spirit. The Novena will take place in St Mary's Church, Castletown, at 7 pm, beginning 15<sup>th</sup> May and continuing through 23<sup>rd</sup> May. All are warmly welcome to join in these days of prayer as we prepare our hearts for Pentecost.

**Mass Intentions:** Dorothy Hilliyer, Mary and Cath, Fr Brian O'Mahony, Theresa Condron, Ann and Jim Dolan, and Brenda Lynch.

## Parish Diary

13 <sup>th</sup> June 10 am to 1pm	Island Spirituality Network at St John's Mill with Jill Weber theme Ancient Sparks New Fires
11 <sup>th</sup> July 11 am	Parish to Parish Walk
19 <sup>th</sup> September 6.30 to 9 pm	Barn Dance at St Columba's Hall
28 <sup>th</sup> November 11 am to 1 pm	SVP Christmas Fayre at St Columba's Hall
5 <sup>th</sup> December 10 am	Christmas Wreath Making Class at St Columba's Hall
13 <sup>th</sup> December 3 pm	Parish Nativity Service at St. Columba's

If you are aware of future events, please let us know so we may add them to the diary. Social Club Committee contact details: Susan 460514, Nick 431606, Dee 437487, or Lynn 472867

## Second Collections from April to September

Sunday 17 <sup>th</sup> May	World Communications
Sunday 21 <sup>st</sup> June	Day for Life
Sunday 28 <sup>th</sup> June	Peter Pence
Sunday 19 <sup>th</sup> July	Priests in Retirement
Sunday 13 <sup>th</sup> September	Catholic Education
Sunday 20 <sup>th</sup> September	Home Missions

## Abide in Me, as I abide in you" (John 15.4)

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