

# Laragh Parish Newsletter



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**2<sup>nd</sup> May 2021 – 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter**

## The Vine and the Branches

Here's another Albert Einstein story. Once when he was visiting lesser-known American Universities on a lecture tour, his chauffeur said to him, 'Dr Einstein, I've heard you giving that lecture on the theory of relativity so many times, I bet I could deliver it myself.' Einstein replied, 'OK, if you're up to it, you can give the lecture tonight. Nobody here knows what I look like so I'll give you my professor's gown and you give me your chauffeur's hat and uniform.' 'It's a deal,' said the chauffeur. That night, using Einstein's text, he delivered the lecture flawlessly. But when he had finished, a scientist in the audience rose and asked a complex question involving mathematical formulas and equations. The chauffeur didn't bat an eyelid. He said, 'Sir, the solution to that problem is so simple, I'm really surprised you've asked it. Indeed, to prove just how simple it is, I'm going to ask my chauffeur to come forward to answer it!'

*When Jesus says he is the vine and we are the branches, he means we should be so attuned to his mind that we can act in his place, provided we continue to turn to him in times of uncertainty.*

## Prayer to St. Joseph

God, our heavenly Father,  
grant us the fortitude of Christ your son  
to face the Covid-19 crisis  
with trust, patience and compassion.

Give us the grace of the Holy Spirit  
to free us from fear  
and look forward together to the future  
with healing and hope.

Through the intercession of St. Joseph,  
the guardian of Jesus, and Mary,  
the mother of Jesus and mother of the Church,  
may we be guided through this time of peril.

Preserve us in peace; protect the vulnerable;  
keep safe our health care workers  
and all who serve society,  
at home and abroad.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen



## Mass Intentions

The following Masses are booked and will be offered in the coming week:

Patrick & Alice Clerkin, Drumrath A/V and their  
daughters-in-law Charmine & Della  
Phil & Cissy Murray & Dec family mbrs, Greaghagibney A/V

Henrietta & Eugene Cusack & Dec family mbrs, Killymeehan A/V

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### Laragh Church Webcam

*The webcam in St. Brigid's Church is now online.  
You can view it on [www.laraghparish.com](http://www.laraghparish.com) or  
[www.churchtv.ie/cavan](http://www.churchtv.ie/cavan)*

*Mass will be broadcast next week as follows*

*Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> May at 10.30am  
Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> May at 10.30am  
Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> May at 11am*

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**Your prayers are requested for the soul of the late:**

- **John Anthony Clarke, Tunnyduff**, whose funeral took place in St. Brigid's Church, Knockbride on Wednesday. We extend our sympathy to his daughter Veronica Smith and family, Knockategart.
- **Fr Benny Fitzpatrick, Rathcorruck and former CC of Cliffferna** who died on Friday.

Eternal rest grant upon them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them and may they rest in peace.

## GENERAL NOTICES

1. **Religious Services:** According to current guidelines, Mass can recommence from May 10 with a maximum of 50 people. The same number can attend funerals and weddings but existing restrictions will continue to apply to functions following these events.
2. **First Communion & Confirmation:** It is advised that First Communion and Confirmation ceremonies should not take place at present.
3. **Online broadcasts:** It appears that there have been problems during the past week with our online broadcasts. It is not clear why this is happening. It may be that factors beyond our control are responsible.
4. **Recent Baptism:** The Christian Community welcomes with joy, Baby Kayla Margaret Walls, Kilnagarbet, who was baptised in St. Brigid's Church, Laragh on Sunday last.
5. **Cliffferna Church Envelopes:** will be accepted in St. Michael's Church, Cliffferna on Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> May and Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> May between 11.30am and 12.30pm. Thank you for your contributions to date.
6. **Reminder for everyone aged 60 and over to register for their vaccine:** We would like to remind everyone aged 65-69 to register for their COVID-19 vaccine through the HSE's online registration system or on the phone with HSELive.  
A reminder to anyone aged 60 – 64 who have yet to register, make sure to register as soon as possible. Registering can be done online or by phone on 1850 24 1850 from 8am – 8pm, 7 days per week.
7. **Laragh United GFC Lotto Results:** No jackpot winner. Winning numbers 1, 10, 16, 31. €30 winners Catherine Henry, Online, Patricia O' Reilly, Tullyco, Noelle Cooney, Cliffferna, Raymond & Ita Smith, Carrickallen, John Reilly, Tierlahood. Next week's draw €11,600. Many thanks for your continued support.

### ***An Act of Spiritual Communion***

*My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You.*