

Ascension

[John Donne](#) - 1571-1631

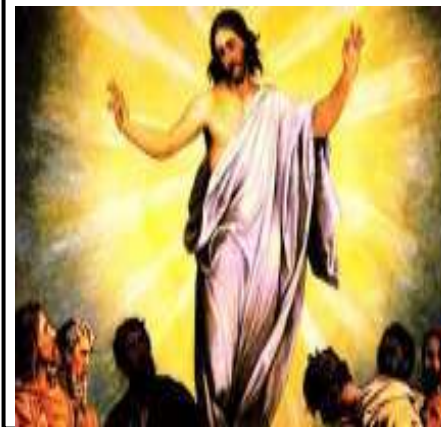
*Salute the last, and everlasting day,
Joy at the uprising of this Sun, and Son,
Ye whose true tears, or tribulation
Have purely wash'd, or burnt your drossy clay.
Behold, the Highest, parting hence away,
Lightens the dark clouds, which He treads upon;
Nor doth he by ascending show alone,
But first He, and He first enters the way.
O strong Ram, which hast batter'd heaven for me!
Mild lamb, which with Thy Blood hast mark'd the path!
Bright Torch, which shinest, that I the way may see!
O, with Thy own Blood quench Thy own just wrath;
And if Thy Holy Spirit my Muse did raise,
*Deign at my hands this crown of prayer and praise**



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Times of Masses which
will be streamed from St.
Mary's
Church, Bocan

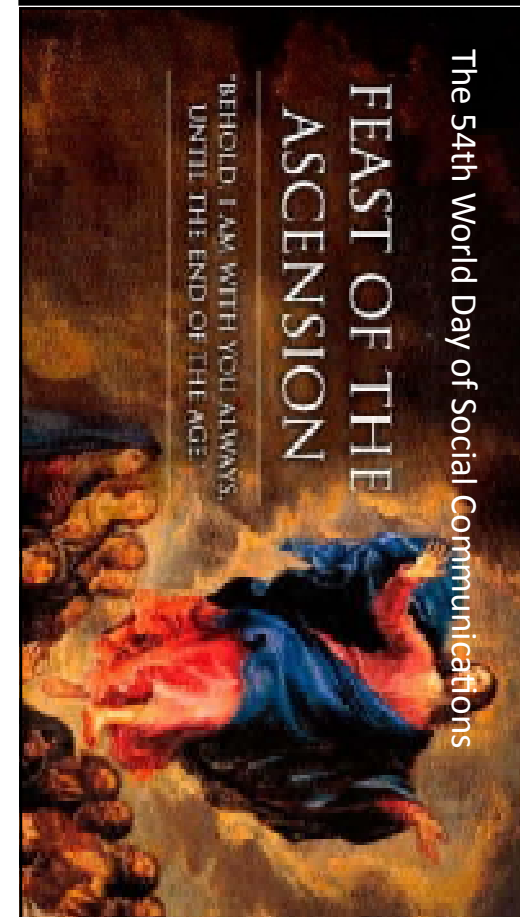
Monday 7.30pm
Tuesday. 7.30pm
Wednesday 10.00am
Thursday, 7.30 pm;
No Mass on Friday.
Saturday, 11 am.
Saturday Vigil 8 pm;
Sunday, 10am.



St Mary's Church

Bocan

24h May 2020 No. 26



Responsorial Psalm

God goes up with shouts of joy;
the Lord goes up with trumpet
blast.

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Solemnity of the
ASCENSION
of the Lord

First Reading

Acts of the Apostles 1:1-11

Jesus is taken up to heaven in the presence of the apostles.

Second Reading

Ephesians 1:17-23

God raised Jesus from the dead and seated him at his right hand.

Gospel Reading

Matthew 28:16-20

Jesus charges his disciples to make disciples of all nations and promises to be with them forever.

Weekly Offering Donations : €615

Thank you so much for your generosity at this difficult time, and we ask for your continued support. Envelopes can be left in McGuinness' Shop.

COVID-19 Support Line for Older People

ALONE has launched a national support line and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to the outbreak of COVID-19 (Coronavirus). Professional staff are available to answer queries and give advice and reassurance where necessary. The support line is open seven days a week, 8am - 8pm, by calling 0818 222 024.

World Communications Day 2020 - Sunday, 24th

May. Today is World Communications Day. The theme this year is about life becoming history through the stories we tell. The Theme is drawn from the Book of Exodus; **'That you may tell your children and grandchildren'** (Ex. 10:2). In this time of pandemic, we have many stories to tell. At this time too we can only marvel at the range of communications tools that are available to us and how these have enabled so many to be informed and stay connected. In many parishes we are witnessing the power that modern communications technology is bringing to us so that the Eucharist can be celebrated online and spiritual communion renewed. But, as Pope Francis says, the power of communications is about more than the means in which it is carried out. It must be about **what** we communicate; 'the stories that build up, not tear down; stories that help us rediscover our roots and the strength needed to move forward together.' Each of us has a story to tell and telling it is never useless. Our own story becomes part of a greater story - just like the Scriptures - that enables us to see God in all things. To read Pope Francis' Message visit <http://w2.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/messages/communications.index.html>

The Derry Diocese Resources are online at:

<https://www.derrydiocese.org/>

<https://www.facebook.com/derrydiocese>

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Prayer to Our Lady of Mental Peace

Mother of tranquillity, Mother of hope, Our Lady of Mental Peace.

We reach out to you for what is needful in our weakness.

Teach a searching heart that God's love is unchanging, that human love begins and grows by touching God's love.

“Never let the future disturb you. You will meet it, if you have to, with the same weapons of reason which today arm you against the present.”

— **Marcus Aurelius,**

Bishop McKeown will lead his second 'Lough Derg-style' 24-hour Virtual Pilgrimage on Friday 29 May (starting with 6am Mass on Friday and finishing with 6am Mass on Saturday 30th).

A number of parishes across the diocese are participating from their own churches, and a Station from each of seven of these parishes will be live-streamed to the diocesan website, as well as their own parish website.

LOUGH DERG ONLINE RETREAT DAYS JOIN THE LOUGH DERG TEAM DURING MAY

Sunday 24th May

Wednesday 27th May

go to www.loughderg.live

A GUIDE TO YOUR ONLINE RETREAT

10:30am

Go to loughderg.live

10:45am

Welcome from the Prior, Msgr La Flynn

11:05am

The Word of God - *Reflection on the*

Good Samaritan with Mary

11:30am

Prayer of Intercession with Rosary

12 noon

Angelus followed by Way of the Cross

1:45pm

Jesus the Healer with *Deacon Martin*

2:00pm

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

2:20pm

Time of Contemplation

2:40pm

Closing Prayer

Lough Derg phone lines are open 9am-5pm, Monday-Friday, during May Tel: +353 (0) 71 9861518

Email. info@loughderg.org

Website. www.loughderg.org

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Online at www.trocaire.org

By post to any of our offices:

Trócaire, Maynooth, Co. Kildare

50 King St, Belfast BT1 6AD

By phone [1850 408 408](tel:1850408408) (ROI) or [0800 912 1200](tel:08009121200) (NI)

By checking with their local parish about how to safely return their box