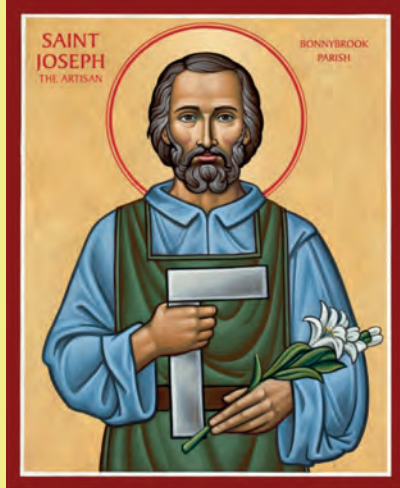


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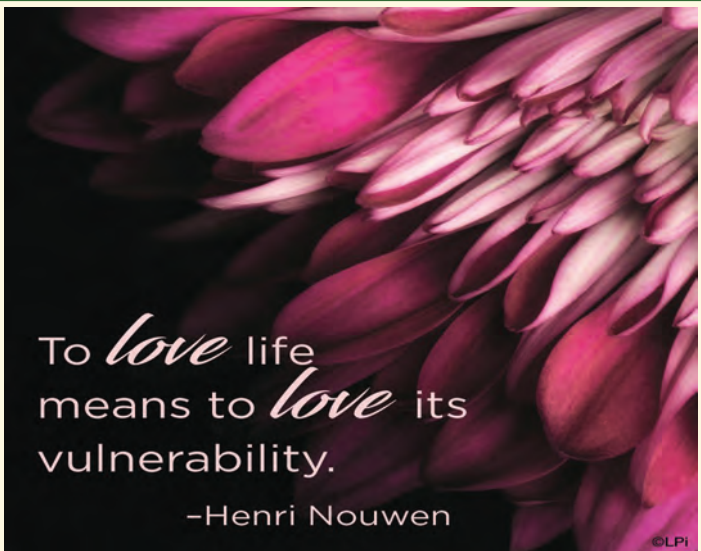
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To *love* life
means to *love* its
vulnerability.

—Henri Nouwen

Pentecost Sunday

Today we celebrate the "birthday of the Church!" Pentecost is described in the first reading from the Acts of the Apostles. But before the great driving wind and tongues of fire empowering the Disciples, the Holy Spirit had already arrived. The Gospel for today's Mass is from John 20. Jesus appears to the fearful disciples after his resurrection. He first speaks a message of calm. "Peace be with you." The apostles "rejoiced when they saw the Lord." When the enthusiastic response settles down, Jesus "breathed on them and said to them 'Receive the Holy Spirit.'"

This action is Trinitarian, and it has happened before. If you turn your Bible back to the beginning, you'll read: "The Lord God formed man out of the clay of the ground and blew into his nostrils the breath of life, and so many became a living being" (Genesis 2:7). In the Garden of Eden, we see God's first, original covenant with man. The breath of life signifies that original indwelling of grace, the special state of likeness and friendship with God before the Fall. Here now, in this locked room, the Apostles receive the long-awaited promise: the very breath of God, new life, a new covenant.

In the pairing of these two readings—the Pentecost experience in Acts and the breath of Jesus in John's Gospel—we see that the coming of the Holy Spirit is not only an empowering, it is an indwelling. We have each received the breath of grace in our baptism. It is confirmed, strengthened, and deepened in each reception of the sacraments. If we persevere in virtue, the Spirit of God is alive in us, inspiring our actions of love. This Pentecost Sunday, how is the breath of God alive in you?

Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK



Sat Vigil: 7.00pm	Patrick O'Callaghan (A)
Sun: 9.30am	Marie O'Brien (B.R.) Margaret Dillon (M.M.)
Sun: 11.30am	Kathleen & James Doyle (A) Jack Counihan (A), Frank & Kathleen O'Brien (A)
Mon: 9.30am	Maryann Casey (Living)
Tues: 9.30am	Robert Kileen (A)
Wed: 9.30am	(No Mass—Liturgy of the Word)
Thurs: 9.30am	Patrick & Ann Daly (A)
Fri: 9.30am	Phyllis O'Byrne (Living)

TICKETS FOR

PAPAL MASS IN THE PHOENIX PARK



This will take place on Sunday, 26th August 2018 at 3pm and it is a FREE event. The number attending is limited to 600,000 people, unlike the visit of Pope John Paul 11 when there was over 1 million people. The number is limited for Health and Safety reasons. Each parish will organise for people to attend. If you would like to attend with your parish you must register your interest with us.

Please call our Secretary, Dolores at 01 848 5262 (Office Hours) and she will take your name and phone number. If you register with us we will do all in our power to get tickets for you. A bus will be organised from our Church. The bus will take us so far and there may be a walk of up to 3 Kilometres to the Mass from where the bus will leave us. We will have to be in the Park by 1pm on the day. We will take names and contact details for the next two weeks. You may get tickets yourself online without being with the parish. A name must be provided for each ticket and will not be transferable.

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Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 9.30am - 12.30pm (Office is closed on Wednesdays)

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Parish Pastoral Council: chairperson@bonnybrookparish.ie

Mass Times
Sunday Vigil: (Saturday Evening) 7.00pm
Sunday: 9.30am & 11.30am
Monday - Friday: 9.30am
Saturday morning: No Mass

BAPTISMS (A months Notice must be given)
Second Saturday of each month at 12.00pm
Fourth Sunday of each month at 12.30pm



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Saturday 26th May at 11am & 6pm.

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CLUSTER DAY OF PRAYER FOR LIFE

On Thursday, 24th May following the 10am Mass until the evening Mass at 7.30 a Day of Prayer for Life will be

held in Priorswood Parish. The Cluster

Parishes of Priorswood, Darndale and Bonnybrook will gather together for this Day of Prayer. Join us anytime during this day as we pray for the sacredness of all human life in our Country.

ANNUAL PILGRIMAGE TO HOLY CROSS

Priorswood & Bonnybrook Parishes accompanied by Spiritual Director will take place on Sunday 27th May 2018.

Luxury Coach will leave from Church at 7.30am. All in Fare €42. Please book early as places are limited. Contact Dick O'Leary 087 221 8197 or Parish Office.

General Data Protection Regulation

A new European Data Protection law, the General Data Protection Regulation ("GDPR"), is being introduced on 25 May 2018. This new law applies to any organisation, including our parish that manages and processes people's personal information. We are now working on ways of ensuring that what we do with your information is compliant with this new law. It is a work in progress and over the next few months we will keep you informed through the parish website and in the newsletter as policies are put in place. If you have any questions about this please do not hesitate to contact the parish office.

The parish is very grateful for your contribution to the Family Offering collection. The personal information you provide is used by the parish to process the contribution in line with revenue guidelines. It is not shared with any other person or organisation. The information is kept only for as long as necessary and is then deleted from our systems.

WHY DO WE DO THAT? CATHOLIC TRADITIONS EXPLAINED

QUESTION:

How do we know when we receive the Holy Spirit?

ANSWER:

My brothers and I discovered something as we got older. There's a little bit of dad in us. Each time we catch ourselves using one of his gestures, expressions, or comments about a meal, we say, "I'm getting more like Dad!" Many laughs and good-natured kidding have come out of it. Mom loves it, and so does Dad, although I doubt he'd admit it! When we are confirmed, we receive the gifts of the Holy Spirit. There is no radical change in us that makes us seem suddenly different. Over a period of time, we come to see that there is a little bit of the Spirit in us. We catch ourselves using the gifts, and often end up wondering where a bit of wisdom came from, or why we were so patient or we feel an intensity in our prayer. Perhaps we felt drawn to deepen our spiritual life or found courage in witnessing to our faith. That's when we know we have received the Holy Spirit. We take on his image. Yes, we grow in age, grace, and wisdom, but we also grow in our awareness and understanding of the working of God in our life. We become more god-like, realizing we're getting more and more like God. Our thoughts, words, and actions carry that quality and others, too, see it in us. You might call it holiness. But be confident! There's a little bit of him in all of us.

INSPIRATION

"Lord, send out your Spirit and renew the face of the earth!" We only know that the wind exists because of what it does. A gentle breeze felt on our face or watching a tree swaying or swirling snowflakes all prove the existence of "something" causing these things to happen. But, apart from its effects, we cannot see the origin or substance of wind. The Holy Spirit is the wind of God. Watching an early Church emerge, people coming to believe, disciples of Jesus change the way they live and conduct their affairs-all give witness to the presence of the Holy Spirit. Observing the courage and conviction of those who have found faith, working for justice, feeding the poor, seeing how wounds are healed all point to something greater than ourselves working and living among us. How do our lives give witness to the Spirit?



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