

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

(Jn 13:34)

Alleluia, alleluia!
Jesus said: 'I give you a new commandment: love one another, just as I have loved you.'
Alleluia!

GOSPEL

(Jn 13:31-35)

The Lord be with you. And with your spirit.
A reading from the holy Gospel according to John. **Glorify to you, O Lord.** When Judas had gone Jesus said:

'Now has the Son of Man been glorified, and in him God has been glorified. If God has been glorified in him, God will in turn glorify him in himself, and will glorify him very soon. My little children, I shall not be with you much longer. I give you a new commandment: love one another, just as I have loved you, you also must love one another. By this love you have for one another, everyone will know that you are my disciples.'

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Profession of Faith

(Nicene Creed)

I believe in one God, / the Father almighty, / maker of heaven and earth, / of all things visible and invisible. / I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, / the Only Begotten Son of God, / born of the Father before all ages. / God from God, Light from Light, / true God from true God, / begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; / through him all things were made. / For us men and for our salvation / he came down from heaven,

At the words that follow, up to and including and became man, all bow.

and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, / and became man. / For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, / he suffered death and was buried, / and rose again on the third day / in accordance with the Scriptures. / He ascended into heaven / and is seated at the right hand of the Father. / He will come again in glory / to judge the living and the dead. / I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, / who proceeds from the Father and the Son, / who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, / who has spoken through the prophets. / I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. / I confess one Baptism for

the forgiveness of sins / and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead / and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The priest introduces the Prayer of the Faithful.

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Pray, brethren (brothers and sisters), ...
May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you. And with your spirit. Lift up your hearts. We lift them up to the Lord. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right and just.

Sanctus

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

After the Consecration

The mystery of faith.
We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again.

THE COMMUNION RITE

At the Saviour's command and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say:

Our Father, who art in heaven, ... Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil, ... For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and for ever.

Lord Jesus Christ, ... Amen. The peace of the Lord be with you always. And with your spirit.

As the priest breaks the consecrated Host the following is sung or said:

Lamb of God, you take away the sins ...

Showing the Host to the people, the priest says:

Behold the Lamb of God, ... Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

Communion Antiphon (Cf. Jn 15:1-5)
I am the true vine and you are the branches, says the Lord. Whoever remains in me, and I in him, bears fruit in plenty, alleluia.

The People's Mass

18 May 2025
FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER / C

THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

Entrance Antiphon (Cf. Ps 97:1-2)

O Sing a new song to the Lord, for he has worked wonders; in the sight of the nations he has shown his deliverance, alleluia.

In the name of the Father, ... Amen. The grace of our Lord ... And with your spirit.

Penitential Act

Brethren (brothers and sisters), ...

A brief pause for silence follows.

I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do,

And, striking their breast, they say:

through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

May almighty God have mercy on us, ... Amen. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Gloria

Glory to God in the highest, / and on earth peace to people of good will. / We praise you, / we bless you, / we adore you, / we glorify you, / we give you thanks for your great glory, / Lord God, heavenly King, / O God, almighty Father, / Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, / Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, / you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; / you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; / you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. / For you alone are the Holy One, / you alone are the Lord, / you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, / with the Holy Spirit, / in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING (Acts 14:21-27)

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles. Paul and Barnabas went back through Lystra and Iconium to Antioch. They put fresh heart into the disciples, encouraging them to persevere in the faith. 'We all have to experience many hardships,'

they said, 'before we enter the kingdom of God.' In each of these churches they appointed elders, and with prayer and fasting they commended them to the Lord in whom they had come to believe.

They passed through Pisidia and reached Pamphylia. Then after proclaiming the word at Perga they went down to Attalia and from there sailed for Antioch, where they had originally been commended to the grace of God for the work they had now completed.

On their arrival they assembled the church and gave an account of all that God had done with them, and how he had opened the door of faith to the pagans. The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

RESPONSORIAL PSALM (Ps 144:8-13)

R I will bless your name for ever, O God my King.
or Alleluia!

- 1. The Lord is kind and full of compassion, slow to anger, abounding in love. How good is the Lord to all, compassionate to all his creatures. **R**
- 2. All your creatures shall thank you, O Lord, and your friends shall repeat their blessing. They shall speak of the glory of your reign and declare your might, O God, to make known to men your mighty deeds and the glorious splendour of your reign. **R**
- 3. Yours is an everlasting kingdom; your rule lasts from age to age. **R**

SECOND READING (Apoc 21:1-5)

A reading from the book of the Apocalypse. I, John, saw a new heaven and a new earth; the first heaven and the first earth had disappeared now, and there was no longer any sea. I saw the holy city, and the new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, as beautiful as a bride all dressed for her husband. Then I heard a loud voice call from the throne, 'You see this city? Here God lives among men. He will make his home among them; they shall be his people, and he will be their God; his name is God-with-them. He will wipe away all tears from their eyes; there will be no more death and no more mourning or sadness. The world of the past has gone.'

Then the One sitting on the throne spoke: 'Now I am making the whole of creation new'. The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

PARISH NEWSLETTER

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Croom Church Eircode: V35 R972
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Banogue Adoration: Tuesdays 3pm - 6pm
Croom Hospital Mass: Sunday 8am, Thursday 11am, Followed by Holy Hour. Public Welcome

Last Sundays Offertory Collection:
Banogue €300
Croom €1,000



Banogue First Holy Communion

We congratulate the children from the second class from St. Peter and Paul's National School, Banogue, who received their First Holy Communion on Saturday.

We thank the teachers who prepared them. We also congratulate the parents and guardians of these children on this big occasion.

First Holy Communicants

Pati Bochenek, Arnas Bumbulis, Naoise Coleman, Amaya Cronin, Jacob Fitzgerald, Farrah Fitzgibbon, Ellie Furlong, Tommy Kelly, Dominic Mackessy and Martin Power.



Limerick Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes 19th - 24th June

Those who are interested in travelling should contact the Lourdes Office. Also, there are a limited number of places available in the Assisted Pilgrim Section. Registered nurses are still being actively recruited to volunteer on the pilgrimage. All enquires to the Lourdes Office 061 350000 ASAP.

Reflection on Gospel

It's easy to love people who are far away, but not always easy to love those who are close at hand. Yet these are the people Christ asks us to love. That is where our love must begin. But, of course, it shouldn't end there. Lord, open our hearts when they are closed, and warm

them when they are cold, so that we may produce the fruit of love, and the world will know that we are your disciples.



St Anthony of Padua Feast Day 13th June

Prayers to St. Anthony for students sitting for examinations

Glorious St. Anthony, we place all students under your powerful protection. After your example may their knowledge be grounded in the hearts of Jesus and Mary. With the aid of your prayers may they perform their studies as a matter of duty, in the spirit of penance and with pure intentions. Implore the Father of light to grant them a quick understanding, a safe judgement and a faithful memory. Obtain for them the grace to work with

patience, method and constancy: to develop the gifts they have received from God, and to employ them for his greater glory. Bless their efforts, granting them success in their tasks, and keeping them humble in the midst of success. Amen.

Prayer to St. Anthony
Patron Saint of Lost Things

Prayer for Lost Objects

Saint Anthony, when you prayed, your stolen book of prayers was given back to you. Pray now for all of us who have lost things precious and dear. Pray for all who have lost faith, hope or the friendship of God. Pray for us who have lost friends or relatives by death. Pray for all who have lost peace of mind or spirit. Pray that we may be given new hope, new faith, new love. Pray that lost things, needful and helpful to us, may be returned to our keeping. Or, if we must continue in our loss, pray that we may be given Christ's comfort and peace. Amen.