

The People's Mass

5 May 2024
SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER / B

and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him.'
Alleluia!

GOSPEL (Jn 15:9-17)
The Lord be with you. And with your spirit.

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John. Glory to you, O Lord. Jesus said to his disciples:

'As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you. Remain in my love. If you keep my commandments you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and remain in his love. I have told you this so that my own joy may be in you and your joy be complete. This is my commandment: love one another, as I have loved you. A man can have no greater love than to lay down his life for his friends. You are my friends, if you do what I command you. I shall not call you servants any more, because a servant does not know his master's business; I call you friends, because I have made known to you everything I have learnt from my Father. You did not choose me, no, I chose you; and I commissioned you to go out and to bear fruit, fruit that will last; and then the Father will give you anything you ask him in my name. What I command you is to love one another.'
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 / and his kingdom will have no end. / 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 ...
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.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins ... 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 (Jn 14:15-16)
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.

Then Peter addressed them: 'The truth I have now come to realise, he said, is that God does not have favourites, but that anybody of any nationality who fears God and does what is right is acceptable to him.' While Peter was still speaking the Holy Spirit came down on all the listeners. Jewish believers who had accompanied Peter were all astonished that the gift of the Holy Spirit should be poured out on the pagans too, since they could hear them speaking strange languages and proclaiming the greatness of God. Peter himself then said, 'Could anyone refuse the water of baptism to these people, now they have received the Holy Spirit just as much as we have?' He then gave orders for them to be baptised in the name of Jesus Christ. Afterwards they begged him to stay on for some days.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM (Ps 97:1-4)
The Lord has shown his salvation to the nations.

1. Sing a new song to the Lord for he has worked wonders. His right hand and his holy arm have brought salvation. **℟**
2. The Lord has made known his salvation; he has shown his justice to the nations. He has remembered his truth and love for the house of Israel. **℟**
3. All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God. Shout to the Lord all the earth, ring out your joy. **℟**

SECOND READING (1 Jn 4:7-10)
A reading from the first letter of St John.

My dear people, let us love one another since love comes from God and everyone who loves is begotten by God and knows God. Anyone who fails to love can never have known God, because God is love. God's love for us was revealed when God sent into the world his only Son so that we could have life through him; this is the love I mean: not our love for God, but God's love for us when he sent his Son to be the sacrifice that takes our sins away.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (Jn 14:23)
Alleluia, alleluia!

Jesus said: 'If anyone loves me he will keep my word,'

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PARISH NEWSLETTER

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Diocesan Web Page: www.limerickdiocese.org
Link for Live Church Services:
Croom Parish - ChurchCamLive.ie
Banogue Parish - ChurchCamLive.ie
Croom Church Eircode: V35 R972
Banogue Church Eircode: V35 WN59
Banogue Adoration: Tuesdays 3 – 6 pm.
Croom Hospital Mass Sunday 8 am. Thursday 11 am. Followed by Holy Hour.
Public Welcome
Last Sundays Offertory Collection: Banogue €300
Croom €1,200



Fr. Willie Walsh RIP

Please pray for the happy repose of the soul of Fr. Willie Walsh, a former curate in Croom. Fr. Willie passed away in Carrigoran House, Newmarket on Fergus on the 28th of April. He was ordained in 1973 and he was appointed to Croom shortly after this in the summer. In late 1982 he was transferred to St. Patrick's Parish in Limerick. In 1993 he was appointed Army Chaplain and Director of Limerick Social Services. He became Parish Priest of Our Lady of the Rosary Parish in Limerick in 2007. From there he moved to the Parish of Rockhill and Bruree. During his time in Croom he served the people with the utmost dedication. He was the instigator of the Annual Christmas Fast in aid of Concern and this continues to provide invaluable financial resources for the people in need in the Third World Countries. He taught in the technical school and was Chaplain of Croom Hospital. He set up the local youth club as well as a

scouting unit. He was an accomplished all round sportsman. He played with Croom GAA Football team winning a County Senior medal in 1976. He was totally unselfish in his Pastoral duties and has left behind a wonderful legacy.
Ar dheis Dé go raibh ananam dílis.

Parkinson's Midwest

Parkinson's Midwest is an active association that supports people in the Midwest who are living with Parkinsons. They provide a range of services that include Nurse Specialists, Hydrotherapy, Voice Club for further information contact Una Anderson 087 251 1156.



First Holy Communion Croom May 11th

The second-class children from St. Mary's Primary School will receive their First Holy Communion in Croom Church next Saturday at 11 a.m. All are Welcome.

Limerick Autumn Pilgrimage to Lourdes

10th – 15th September 5 Nights. Enquiries and Booking Forms 061 350000.

Croom Family Resource Centre

Croom Meals on Wheels are now providing a service every Tuesday and Thursday. For more information on this service please contact Croom Resource Centre at 061 602878.

Reflection

We search for joy and love in life: in our emptiness and our yearnings, our hurts and our griefs, our loneliness, and our boredom, we want joy, and we want to be loved. Let's be thankful: for the joy and love of life, for the joy and love of children, of husbands, wives, and family; for the joy and love of friends, of neighbours and of colleagues and for the joy and love we shared with those who have gone before us.

