



# NEWSLETTER JUNE 11<sup>TH</sup>. THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST..

A PARISH OF THE MULLINGAR DEANERY


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<p>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament</p> 	<p><b>In St. Joseph's Tuesday 1pm-9pm. &amp; St. Brigid's Wed. 5pm-10pm:</b> <i>Special Diocesan intention of prayer for vocations and the family.</i> <b>Take one Hour with the Lord</b></p>
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## ST. JOSEPH'S, RATHWIRE.

Sunday 11<sup>th</sup>, 11.30am. Mary Greville MM. Celena Kane. Joe Dennis. Daniel & Brigid Carey.

~~Saturday 17<sup>th</sup>, 6pm. Jenna Eve & Doreen Smyth.~~

Sunday 18<sup>th</sup>, 3pm. Jenna Eve & Doreen Smyth.

ST. BRIGID'S, RAHARNEY. *Saturday 6pm*

Sunday 11<sup>th</sup>, 10am. Lisa Donoghue Hogan MM. Peter & Mary Mulkearns.

**Weekday Masses;** Tuesday & Thursday, Raharney 9am. Wednesday & Friday Rathwire 9am.

<p><b>MASS OFFERTORY COLLECTION: €510</b> <b>PARISH DEVELOPMENT FUND €480</b></p>	
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**Cemetery Sunday;** on June 18<sup>th</sup> at 3pm. No morning Mass in Rathwire or Raharney on that day.

**Sacred Heart Novena:** Wed 8<sup>th</sup> – Fri 16<sup>th</sup>. Prayer leaflets available in the church.

**Camogie Club;** Cake Sale on 10<sup>th</sup>/11<sup>th</sup> June raising funds for U15 Féile team in Connaught this June 24<sup>th</sup>.

**Lough Derg;** Pilgrimage 3 – 5 July. For details contact 0449374818.

**Traditional Music;** night on Tues 20<sup>th</sup> in Ennis' at 8.30pm. All welcome.

## The Most Cherished Gift

We celebrate the body and blood of Christ not as isolated objects of adoration but as food and drink, like the manna in the desert and the water brought forth from a rock.

Jesus makes it very clear how we are to approach his body and blood: “if you do not eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood you have no life in you. He who feeds on my flesh and drinks my blood has life eternal.”

The food that we eat every day, and the liquids we drink, become part of our bodies, sustaining them and allowing them to grow, function, and heal.

The food that is the body and blood of Christ does something far greater; it makes us one with God. “The man who feeds on my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me, and I in him.”

This is why the body and blood of Christ signify unity and peace: there is one Christ, and all who eat and drink the body and blood of Christ become one in the one Christ.

“We, though many, are one body, for we all partake of the one loaf.” There is no room for disunity among those who eat and drink the body and blood of Christ.

The mysterious reality of the Eucharist—“My flesh is real food and my blood real drink” ([Gospel](#))—is a puzzle to some, a scandal to others.

It has always been so.

But for those who believe in Jesus' teaching because they believe in Jesus Christ himself, the Eucharist is, among all his gifts to us, the most cherished and the cause of our deepest gratitude.



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.

### 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.  
When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again.

## THE COMMUNION RITE

Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.  
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

Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him, says the Lord. *(Jn 6:57)*

the wisest, mightiest, best, sent food, our future rest, make us each thy chosen guest, s of thine, and comrades blest, nts whose dwelling is with thee.

## ACCLAMATION *(Jn 6:51-52)*

alleluia!  
living bread which has come down heaven, says the Lord.  
who eats this bread will live for ever.

The Lord be with you. And with your spirit. *(Jn 6:51-58)*  
A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.  
Glory to you, O Lord.

the living bread which has come down from heaven.  
one who eats this bread will live for ever;  
the bread that I shall give flesh, for the life of the world.  
Jesus started arguing with one another: 'How can we give you his flesh to eat?' they said. Jesus

you most solemnly,  
do not eat the flesh of the Son of Man  
drink his blood,  
will not have life in you.  
one who does eat my flesh  
and drink my blood  
eternal life,  
shall raise him up on the last day.  
my flesh is real food  
my blood is real drink.  
who eats my flesh and drinks my blood  
lives in me  
live in him.  
who am sent by the living Father,  
if draw life from the Father,  
noever eats me will draw life from me.  
his the bread come down from heaven;  
take the bread our ancestors ate:  
were dead,  
myone who eats this bread will live for ever.'

## Man of Faith *(Nicene Creed)*

in one God, / the Father almighty, / maker of  
nd earth, / of all things visible and invisible.  
e in one Lord Jesus Christ, / the Only  
Son of God, / born of the Father before all  
od from God, Light from Light, / true God

## THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

### Entrance Antiphon

*(Cf. Ps 80:17)*

He fed them with the finest wheat  
and satisfied them with honey from the rock.

In the name of the Father, ... Amen.

The grace of our Lord Jesus ... 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,  
forgive us our sins,  
and bring us to everlasting life.  
Amen.

Lord, have mercy.  
Christ, have mercy.

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### 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 *(Dt 8:2-3.14-16)*

A reading from the book of Deuteronomy.  
Moses said to the people: 'Remember how the Lord  
your God led you for forty years in the wilderness,  
to humble you, to test you and to know your inmost  
heart — whether you would keep his commandments  
or not. He humbled you, he made you feel hunger,  
he fed you with manna which neither you nor your

fathers had known, to make you understand that man  
does not live on bread alone but that man lives on  
everything that comes from the mouth of the Lord.

'Do not then forget the Lord your God who brought  
you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of  
slavery: who guided you through this vast and  
dreadful wilderness, a land of fiery serpents,  
scorpions, thirst; who in this waterless place  
brought you water from the hardest rock; who in this  
wilderness fed you with manna that your fathers had  
not known.'

The word of the Lord.

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM

*(Ps 147:12-15.19-20)*

✠ O praise the Lord, Jerusalem!

1. O praise the Lord, Jerusalem!  
Zion, praise your God!  
He has strengthened the bars of your gates,  
he has blessed the children within you. ✠

2. He established peace on your borders,  
he feeds you with finest wheat.  
He sends out his word to the earth  
and swiftly runs his command. ✠

3. He makes his word known to Jacob,  
to Israel his laws and decrees.  
He has not dealt thus with other nations;  
he has not taught them his decrees. ✠

### SECOND READING

*(1 Cor 10:16-17)*  
A reading from the first letter of St Paul  
to the Corinthians.  
The blessing-cup that we bless is a communion with  
the blood of Christ, and the bread that we break is a  
communion with the body of Christ. The fact that there  
is only one loaf means that, though there are many  
of us, we form a single body because we all have a  
share in this one loaf.  
The word of the Lord.

### SEQUENCE *(The Sequence may be said or sung)*

Behold the bread of angels, sent  
For pilgrims in their banishment,  
The bread for God's true children meant,  
That may not unto dogs be given:  
Oft in the olden types foreshadowed;  
In Isaac on the altar bowed,  
And in the ancient paschal food,  
And in the manna sent from heaven.  
Come then, Good Shepherd, bread divine,  
Still show to us thy mercy sign;  
Oh, feed us still, still keep us thine;  
So may we see thy glories shine  
In fields of immortality;

Thanks be to God.