

## THE DEEP END A mystery to me

'It is a riddle, wrapped in a mystery, inside an enigma.'

This expression, originally used in 1939 by Winston Churchill, is typically used to describe something that is immensely puzzling or too complex to understand. The word 'mystery' is often used in everyday speech. When we can't wrap our heads around something, we shrug and say: 'It's a mystery to me,' or: 'It's another of life's great mysteries.'

As a child, I used to wonder about the religious meaning of 'mystery.' I remember someone telling me that if something is a mystery, it can never be fully understood, though that does not mean we should stop trying – like Jesus being fully human and fully divine (the incarnation), Jesus' death and resurrection (the Paschal mystery), and three persons in one God (the Trinity). It is this last mystery that we celebrate today.

One of the most poignant attempts to explain the Trinity came from C.S. Lewis, who reasoned that if God is love, then God must contain more than one person: 'God is not a static thing – not even a person – but a dynamic, pulsating activity, a life, almost a kind of drama. Almost, if you will not think me irreverent, a kind of dance.' The idea of the Trinity as a sort of divine dance is a good place to begin reflecting on this great mystery of God as a communion of love. In today's Gospel, we see that Jesus is comfortable with an element of mystery. He does not reveal everything to his disciples at once, as it 'would be too much for you now.' The full truth will be revealed later, when the Spirit comes. The more we reflect, the more we pray, the more we are open to the Spirit, the more we will understand about the great mystery of God as love.

Tríona Doherty



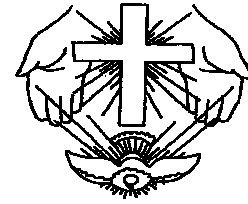
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**HOESWOOD PARISH INFORMATION**  
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Parish Office Opening Hours: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday: 10am-1pm

### MASS TIMES

HOESWOOD		BALLYKELLY	
Saturday	7.00pm	Saturday	8:00pm
Sunday	10.30am	Sunday	11:30am
Weekdays	9.30am	Tuesday & Friday	9:30am
Confessions 1 <sup>st</sup> Thursday	7.00pm		
Baptisms Horeswood:	First & Third Saturday of the month	4:00pm	
Baptisms Ballykelly:	Second & Fourth Saturday of the month	4:00pm	
Marriages:	A minimum of three months notice must be given to both Church & State.		



**PARISH OF HOESWOOD**  
**Church of St. James, Horeswood**  
**Church of St. Brigid, Ballykelly**  
Volume 8 No. 24 June 16th 2019  
**The Holy Trinity**

**IN LOVING MEMORY**  
Please remember in your prayers

### HOESWOOD

Saturday 7pm

**Michael & Eileen Furlong**, Dunbrody,  
anniversaries.

Sunday 10:30am

**John & Margaret Furlong**, Newtown,  
anniversaries.

Pray for **Martin Forristal**, Tinnock,  
anniversary & **Pat Hickey**, Ballykelly,  
anniversary.

Wednesday 9:30am

Mass for the Parish

Thursday 9:30am

**Martin Forristal**, Tinnock, anniversary.

### BALLYKELLY

Sunday 11:30am

**Myles Dempsey**, Dunganstown, anniversary.

### Mass Intentions June 22nd & 23rd

*Horeswood: June 22nd, Paddy & Nellie Sinnott, Tinnock, anniversaries. June 23rd Mary & Seánie O'Brien, their son Pat & daughter Bridget Brooks, Priesthaggard, anniversaries. Ballykelly: Sunday June 23rd, Pat & Minnie O'Sullivan & deceased members of the O'Sullivan Family, Whitechurch, anniversaries.*

**MASSES FOR THE COMING WEEK**  
**Horeswood:** Monday- Friday 9:30am  
**Ballykelly:** Tuesday & Friday 9.30am.

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**TRÓCAIRE BOXES**  
The final figures for the Lenten  
Trócaire campaign were:

**HOESWOOD : €3830.00**

**BALLYKELLY : €765.00**

Thank you for your generosity.

**TRÓCAIRE**  
Working for a Just World

**SAFEGUARDING REPRESENTATIVES**  
**Lucy Murphy: 087-2842586**  
**Katriona Dawkins: 086-1712055**  
**Úna Nolan: 087-2148362**

For information on Safeguarding children please contact the Safeguarding Representatives.



**WEEKLY ENVELOPES**  
**HORESWOOD: 09/06/2019 €361.80**  
**BALLYKELLY: 09/06/2019 €103.00**  
**Thank you for your generosity.**

**READERS FOR JUNE**  
**HORESWOOD**  
 7pm June 22nd **Richard Devane**  
 7pm June 29th **John Howlin**  
 10:30am **Ann Caulfield**



**BALLYKELLY**  
 8pm June 8th **Agnes Flaherty**  
 11:30am June 9th **Joe Bridges**  
 8pm June 15th **June Hearn**  
 11:30am June 16th **Tommy Lennon**  
 8pm June 22nd **Anne Howlett**  
 11:30am June 23rd **Oweny Lennon**  
 8pm June 29th **Pat Brennan**  
 11:30am June 30th **Margaret Nolan**

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS**  
**HORESWOOD**  
**JUNE**  
 7pm 15th & 22nd **John Howlin**  
 10:30am 16th & 23rd **Catherine Breen & Ann Caulfield**  
 7pm June 29th **Trish Clancy**  
 10:30am June 30th **Susan Devane & Katriona Dawkins**



<b>COLLECTORS JUNE</b>	
<b>Saturday 7pm</b>	<b>Sunday 10:30am</b>
Liam Caulfield John Molloy Michael Byrne	Lar Quinn Michael Shannon Martin Hartley

**REFLECTION**  
**Exploring the 7 Sacraments.** The sacraments are 7 meeting points, where God Himself is present, waits for you, blesses you and leads you into the community of the Church. Some sacraments are unique and have a lasting effect on your life, other encounters happen repeatedly. Why do we need the sacraments in the first place? We need the sacraments in order to outgrow our broken human life and to become like Jesus through Jesus: children of God in freedom and glory. In Baptism the fallen children of men become cherished children of God; through Confirmation the weak become strong, committed Christians; through Penance the guilty are reconciled; through the Eucharist the hungry become bread for others; through Matrimony and Holy Orders individualists become servants of love; through the Anointing of the Sick the despairing become people of confidence. The sacrament in all the sacraments is Christ Himself. In Him we humans, lost in selfishness, grow and mature into the true life that has no end. Why is faith in Jesus Christ not enough? Why does God give us the sacraments too? We can and should come to God with all our senses, not just the intellect. That is why God gives Himself to us in earthly signs – especially in bread and wine, the Body and Blood of Christ. People saw Jesus, heard Him, could touch Him and thereby experience salvation and healing in body and soul. The sensible signs of the sacraments show this same signature of God, who desires to address the whole human – not just his head. Finally a quote from St. Leo the Great (400-461, Pope and Father of the Church): “*What was visible in our Saviour has passed over into His mysteries.*” - **Brought to you by The Diocesan Pastoral Council**

**SEEING YOUR LIFE THROUGH THE LENS OF THE GOSPEL**

1. Wisdom about life comes slowly and sometimes painfully. Hearing the ‘right’ answer at the ‘wrong’ time does not help us. We need to be ready and open to receiving the truth if it is to have any impact. Perhaps you can recall some occasions when it was the ‘right’ time for you to learn a truth about life. Remember your experiences of growing in understanding and truth.
2. Perhaps the Spirit guided you through the words of someone close to you, or through the words and actions of people you read about or saw on TV. Or maybe understanding came to you when praying or reflecting on your life. Remember and give thanks for the people who have helped you to greater wisdom on your journey through life.
3. Wisdom is handed on from person to person, and from generation to generation, within families, within communities, etc. Are there any wisdom sayings that you cherish from what has been handed on to you?  
**John Byrne OSA- INTERCOM**

**LOUGH DERG PILGRIMAGE**  
**Monday July 1<sup>st</sup>- Wednesday July 3<sup>rd</sup>**  
 Leaving St. Peter’s Square, Wexford 6.30am, via Enniscorthy (Abbey sq.) 6:50am, Ferns (Bus Stop), 7am & Gorey (Hospital)7:10am. Returning to Wexford Wednesday at 6:30pm .  
 Bus & Island Fee: € 130.00  
 Bookings: **Fr. P. Cushen, Ferns, 053-9366152.** Mobile 087-2387559  
**Ferns Parish Office 053-9366514**  
 Bookings taken and **seat guaranteed** with €50.00 non-refundable deposit

**SPLIT THE POT**  
**Saturday June 9th**

**WINNER**

This week our lucky winner was  
**Craig Murphy- €237.00**  
**Next Draw:** Saturday June 15th (at the end of Mass). Winners may collect money from the Parish office from Tuesday onwards after the draw has taken place.

**KNOCK PILGRIMAGE**  
 There will be a one day coach trip to Knock Shrine on Sunday July 7th for the Ferns Diocesan Day. Pick-up Points Wellington-bridge, Ramsgrange, Campile & New Ross. Fare €58. Contact Nicholas Bowe 051-388437 or 087-9418661.

**RAMSGRANGE ACTIVE RETIREMENT Trip** to Cahir Castle, Dove Centre & Clonmel on Wednesday, 19th June. Cost to members €20, non-members €25. Bus leaving Ramsgrange car park at 9am. Usual pickups. To book, 051-389012 or 087 0544976.  
**Mystery Tour in July.** Date to be confirmed at June meeting. To book, phone 051 389012 or 087 0544976.  
**Irish Country Concert** Wexford Talbot Hotel 13th August. Tickets, including coach €25. Please book at next meeting. Call Kelly 087-6372084.  
**Kennedy Park Tea Party:** 7th September at 12noon. 30 seats provisionally booked. In the Marquee at Kennedy park. More details to come. Kelly 087-6372084.

**PASTORAL COUNCIL**  
 Pastoral Council Meeting Wednesday June 19th at 7:30pm in Horeswood.