

PARISH NOTES - 27th April 2023.

MASSES: 6.30pm Mass this Saturday in Caherconlish Church. 10.30am Sunday Mass in Caherline. Weekday Masses: Tuesday & Thursday 10am in Caherline; Wednesday & Friday 10am in Caherconlish. Adoration: 10.30am Tuesdays in Caherline Church; 10.30am Fridays in Caherconlish.

Link to LIVE STREAM in Caherconlish Church – https://churchcamlive.ie/caherconlish or parish website.

29 DAYS OF CELEBRATION OF EASTER ("Cáisc") TO PENTECOST (28th May) -

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CAHERCONLISH FIRST COMMUNION DAY Saturday 6th May 11am: 13th May Caherline. Thanks to those who are praying each day for a Communion child.

Caherconlish & Caherline Parish Fundraiser Lotto Jackpot €700: Jackpot increases weekly up to €5,000. Draw each Thursday. Winner 21st April — Mike Collins, €25 Lucky Dip. Thank you all for your support.

VAKS -- for Over-16s -- Needed. Youth Volunteers to help on one or more weekends during the summer, at Knock Shrine. To make a difference to the lives of others. Over 1.4 million people visit Knock Shrine every year from home and abroad. It's a bright place of prayer and pilgrimage. People come as part of big groups, small groups, families, or alone. Volunteers become part of teams of happy helpers. Two Training Days (Sundays) in May. Details: Nicola Mitchell – 094-938 8100; youthministry@knockshrine,ie . {No Lourdes Youth Group this year}

BEALTAINE – **Monday** 1st **May** = **The Fire Festival.** The Celtic Festival of Bealtaine is a Cross Quarter Day, half way between the Spring Equinox and the Summer Solstice. It is a rite of passage into Summer from Winter marked by lit bonfires. The lovely song "Thugamar fein an Samhradh linn" (we brought the Summer with us). Summer is welcome as are the return of the swallows from exotic places.

In our Irish tradition, the picking of flowers and green branches and bringing them home was symbolic of bringing home the May. Thus the tradition of the May Altar and crowning Mary as the Queen of the May. Bring flowers of the rarest, bring blossoms the fairest, from garden and woodland and hillside and dale; our full hearts are swelling, our glad voices telling the praise of the loveliest flower of the vale! O Mary we crown thee with blossoms today! Queen of the Angels and Queen of the May.