

**Sixth Sunday of Easter**



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**Churches reopen for Masses and services from Monday 10 May.**

Thanks to all our efforts and sacrifices normality is beginning to return. Deepest appreciation for every sacrifice and effort made.

Monday	9am	Rathkenny
Tuesday	7.30pm	Grangegeeth Nicholas Carpenter
Wednesday	9am	Rathkenny
Thursday	7.30pm	Rushwee Noel Kennedy
Friday	7.30pm	Rathkenny List of the dead
Saturday	6.30pm	Rushwee
	7.30pm	Rathkenny
Sunday	10.00am	Grangegeeth
	11.30am	Rathkenny

Lord, May our church be for your family a house of salvation and a place for the celebration of your heavenly sacraments. Here may the Gospel of peace resound and the sacred mysteries be celebrated, so that your faithful may merit to reach the eternal Jerusalem. There, gather all your children scattered around the world.

**Sincere thanks** to all who helped with cleaning and stewarding last year. Please contact me if you can continue (no pressure) and if you are a new volunteer, you would be most welcome.

**Meeting of cleaners** after Mass in Rathkenny (9.20am) Wednesday 12 May.

**Meeting of stewards** after Mass in Rathkenny (8pm) Friday 14 May.

Pope Francis is encouraging us to say a **Rosary each day in May** for an end to the pandemic. A Rosary will be said online from a Marian shrine.

**Government guidelines** for religious services are available at the back of the churches. They are:

- 2 meters social distancing,
- masks and hand sanitizer to be used,
- separate entrance and exit,
- no meeting up before or after Mass,
- stewards to assist.

Also, **1st Communions and Confirmation** are not to take place at this time. Bishop Deenihan has asked us to postpone 1st Communion until

September and we have decided to do so.

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irmation will proceed when it is safe to do so. Thank you for your patience.

Online Donations

Online donations can now be made to parish and diocesan collections

via the Diocesan website [HERE](#)

**Thanks** to all who have returned envelopes, for parish funds, priest's offerings and Trócaire, over the past few weeks.

Easter Blessing

May the Lord bless you this Easter time:

Bless you with faith, guard you against doubt

Bless you with hope, uplift you in despair;

Bless you with love, keep you from fear;

Bless you with peace, calm you in trouble;

Bless you with mercy, help you to forgive

Bless you with joy, comfort you in sorrow;

So that your heart may rejoice in the Risen Lord

