

ST PATRICK'S AND ST BRIGID'S GLENARIFFE



Thirty second Sunday of the year 6th November 2022



I shall be filled, when I awake, with the sight of your glory, O Lord.

Although the civil regulations may have relaxed the church regulations remain unchanged due to the return of Covid in the community. To help limit the spread of the virus face coverings should be worn during mass. Hands should be sanitized on entry to the church. Please follow the one-way system.

WEEKDAY MASSES No Mass Monday and Tuesday.

Wednesday & Thursday 10am Friday 7.30pm.

All masses will be offered for the Holy Souls on your November List

Mass for the deceased parishioners of 2022 Friday 18th November 7.30pm

WEEKEND MASSES: Saturday Vigil 7.00pm, Sunday 10.00am

CONFESSION: Saturday 6.30pm

Sincere thanks for your donations to the Church last Sunday.

GLENARIFFE COMMUNITY QUESTIONNAIRE Please take a copy, fill in and return it to the Centre so that the committee can apply for much needed funding.

DECEASED: Monsignor Joe Glover, Canon Brendan Murray, Belfast, Niamh McAleese, Dublin, Marie Crossan, Crumlin

ANNIVERSARIES: Elizabeth & Bobby Sharpe, Eamon McGarrigle

A New Breakthrough

The big question is what it will all be like? Jesus gives no details. We live in hope and die in hope. We are to be alive forever in the love of God. God keeps love safe. When life ceases, love stays.

God is God of life, the Gospel says; **T**o him all are alive/ even the dead,

God breaks into life in a new way at our death. It happens in small ways every time we are transformed a bit - when we forgive, make peace, really help another, when we promise ourselves to someone or some cause, we are in resurrection mode. But the final one is a gift unlike any earthly gift.

We need to share this hope with each other. The peace you may have felt at the death of someone, the dream where the loved one was happy, the thanks you feel for another for ever - all brings hope even if their death is sudden or self-inflicted or at a young age. As we place our candle at the altar for our loved ones in November, we are letting them go off into what death really is - our finding our way to the arms of God.

Hope is not looking at half-full glass, which is simply optimism, which is a human attitude that depends on many things. Hope is a gift of Jesus, of His very self, His very name is hope. It is Christ in you, the hope for glory.

This is the eternal hope, which is the root of our joy even in the losses of our lives. **L**ord, give us this day a renewal of faith in eternal life.