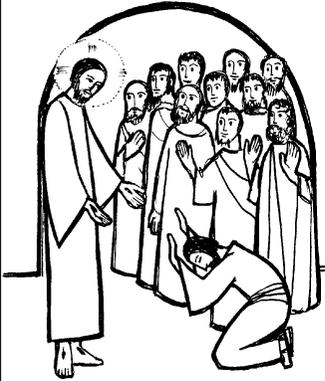




## The second Sunday of Easter Divine Mercy Sunday



The world is filled with "doubting Thomases"--perhaps even one exists inside each of us. It's natural to want to see and taste and smell and touch and hear. Our senses are gifts of God needed for living in the natural world. It's normal to want to confirm in some tangible way what we believe in our minds and hearts. Yet, Jesus gives us another way to confirm our beliefs. Jesus gives us his resurrected self. For all there was to see and touch of the risen Jesus, even his very wounds, it would still require faith to believe in the resurrection.

In the resurrected Jesus, we see not only a physical man coming back to life. We recognize the kingdom of God in our midst and we see the promise of our own eternal life.

His wounds have to become wounds that I am willing to hold in my body. His voice has to become recognizable in my own voice and in the words of those around me who profess the same faith. Seeing isn't the same as believing. But believing can help us to see.

### Invitation from Galilee Spirituality Centre

Although our doors are currently closed, our prayer community extends far beyond our walls. We invite you to join us (virtually) on Thursdays, 9.00-9.30pm for prayer for all affected by the COVID19 outbreak and for all who care for them. Please let us know you are with us in spirit by getting in touch info@galilee.ie or 071-966-4101 and let us know any particular prayer needs. If you would like to send a photo of your prayer space or candle please do so on our Facebook or Twitter accounts or by email. Pass on the word to your family and friends and we will join together in prayer, hope and love. Looking forward to seeing you all again soon. Blessings, The Galilee Team with you and your people this Easter time.

### Spiritual Communion



"My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the most Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You have already come, and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen".

**COVID-19 Support Line** for Older People: ALONE has launched a national support line and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to the outbreak of COVID-19 (Coronavirus). Professional staff are available to answer queries and give advice and reassurance where necessary. The support line is open Monday to Friday, 8am-8pm, by calling 0818 222 024.

**Masses:** All Masses in the parish can be seen on Facebook. Enter Kilronan Parish in your Facebook page for the link. Also Mass is broadcasted on local Radio in each Church area **Mass Times** Vigil Mass Saturday 7p.m Ballyfarnon, Sunday Arigna 10a.m and Keadue 11.30a.m. Weekday Masses.10.00a.m. Monday, Keadue; Tuesday & Wednesday Arigna ;Thursday & Friday, Ballyfarnon.

### Accord Catholic Marriage Care Services CLG

**COVID-19 COUPLES & RELATIONSHIPS SUPPORT LINE**  
IF YOU NEED TO SPEAK TO AN EXPERIENCED COUPLES & RELATIONSHIPS COUNSELLOR DURING THIS TIME OF UNPRECEDENTED STRESS AND PRESSURE ON FAMILY LIFE... Contact: 01 531 3331 9.00 am - 8.00 pm, Monday to Friday All calls charged at local rate. COVID-19 COUPLES & RELATIONSHIPS SUPPORT LINE Accord CLG Company

1. 'Peace be with you ' was the greeting of Jesus on meeting his frightened apostles. Who has come to you bringing peace at times when you were frightened? For whom have you been an agent of peace?
2. Thomas, doubting and questioning, is possibly a person with whom we can identify. What part have doubts and questions played on your faith journey? How has your faith been strengthened by such moments?
3. Note the way Jesus dealt with Thomas. He did not give out because Thomas doubted. He took him where he was and led him along to see the truth of his resurrection. Who has been that kind of a teacher for you, gently taking you where you were and leading you on to a deeper knowledge of some truth about life? For whom have you been that kind of teacher?
4. 'Blessed are they who have not seen and yet believed.' That requires great trust. Perhaps you have had the experience of being trusted without having had to prove every step along the way. What was it like to be trusted in that way? Who have you been able to trust in a similar way. (John Beirne osa. Intercom. )

### R.I.P. †

Tom White, Meenagh, Kiltyclogher,  
Co. Leitrim father of Ms Anne White,  
Principal of Strabraggan N.S.

### R.I.P. †

Very Rev. Canon Peadar Lavin,  
Sleeveinagee, Roscommon, and a native  
of Ballyfarnon, Co. Roscommon.