

The Courage to be open to the Spirit

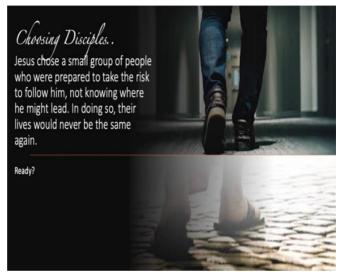
Last Sunday the Church celebrated Pentecost as we remembered the coming of the Holy Spirit on all those gathered in a little upper room in Jerusalem more than 2,000 years ago. Having walked through the past few weeks as 'risen people'

following Easter Sunday, our attention for the next little while, is on being 'people of the Spirit'!



Only last week we considered 'Ruach' the Spirit of Creation; the breath of God. If the coming of the Spirit upon the disciples 2,000 years ago is anything to go by, the Spirit as a wild and unpredictable force that has the ability to transform lives, but not before it pulls down the boundaries we may have placed upon ourselves or built around ourselves because of our life experiences. This Spirit has the capacity to go unrestricted into every place, including inside ourselves and to plummet new depths for our consideration and there is nothing left to chance if you have invited God and his Spirit to guide and direct your life. Perhaps there is an occasion you can recall when you could see the results of some experience leading to a new understanding.

Often, as human beings, we make the mistake of believing that life should always be good and calm which may lead us to believe that we are not succeeding if we fail or falter. This may not be the case. What if 'Life in Abundance' describes the entire human experience which includes



disorientation and difficulty? Remember the same Spirit that descended upon Jesus at his baptism immediately led him into discomfort, disorientation and trial

Wilderness is a place where all our previous understandings about ourselves and the world are pulled apart and reset in ways that are completely different and we may never be the same again yet if we enter these uncertain times in the full knowledge that we are not alone in our journey but accompanied by an unseen and powerful life-giving force, perhaps then we can trust in the Spirit as willing us forward into new growth from a place of love.

CHURCH LADIES WITH TYPEWRITERS ...



house.

Sentences which actually appeared in church bulletins or were announced at church services:

The Fasting and Prayer conference includes meals.

The Sermon this morning: 'Jesus Walks on Water.' The Sermon tonight: 'Searching for Jesus.'

Ladies, don't forget the rummage sale. It's a chance to get rid of those things not worth keeping around the Bring your husbands.

CHRIST GIVES US COURAGE OF GOD'S



GOD'S WORD for THIS WEEK



Sunday, 7th June 2020

We have emailed and posted to the Parish today 'God's word for this Week', which is the service sheet for Trinity Sunday, 7th June 2020. A downloadable version is also available on our website: http://www.powerscourt.glendalough.anglican.org/test/sunday-worship/



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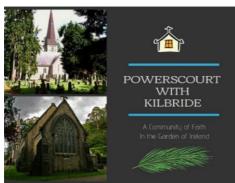
THE UPKEEP OF OUR BEAUTIFUL GRAVEYARD IS IMPORTANT TO US.

THIS HOLY PLACE PROVIDES PEACE AND SANCTUARY FOR MANY VISITORS. WE ASK THAT YOU CLEAN UP AFTER YOUR DOG AND THAT ALL DOGS BE

IN ORDER TO MAINTAIN THE NATURAL SENSE OF OUR COUNTRY GRAVEYARD WE REQUEST THAT NO COLOURED PEBBLES BE USED ON THE GRAVES AND THAT GRAVE OWNERS TAKE RESPONSIBILITY TO REMOVE AND DISPOSE OF WREATHS OR FLORAL DECORATIONS ONCE THEY HAVE FULFILLED THEIR PURPOSE.

With grateful thanks.

SUNDAY WORSHIP



Sunday worship will be available online from early Sunday morning. Please follow the below links to view the service.

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Consider the ravens: they neither sow nor reap, they have neither storehouse nor barn, and yet God feeds them. Of how much more value are you than the birds!

Luke 12: 24

FATHER, HELP ME TO TRUST IN YOU TODAY THAT YOU WILL PROVIDE AND GUIDE;

FOR IT IS WHEN I RELINQUISH CONTROL THAT YOU ARE ABLE TO WORK BEST WITHIN ME.

AMEN



This is a difficult time for church in many ways. We would welcome your support at this time. Please see the information below for online donations if you would like to support St. Patrick's Powerscourt or St. Brigid's Kilbride.





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