

**Monday Badminton** – CPH @ 8pm

**Tuesday** Parish Book Club- St. Mary's Marmullane Parish Hall @

11am.

#### **Notices**

Cork Ecumenical Bible Week will take place in Cork Methodist Church, Nursery Drive, Ballinlough with Rev. Eugene Griffin, Kinsale Union of Parishes at 7pm on Sunday, 11<sup>th</sup> May, 2025 and in the Crypt, Church of the Descent of the Holy Spirit, Dennehy's Cross with Dr. Marian Mortell and Dr. Phil Mortell, Cork Scripture Group at 7pm on Thursday, 15<sup>th</sup> May, 2025. All welcome.

A **Coffee Morning** will be held on Saturday 24th May 10 am- 12 midday at Marmullane Church Hall. Raffle, books and plants. Entry €5 which includes tea/coffee and scone. In aid of church funds and P.A.C.E.

Join in on the Cork Methodist Church Annual Summer Market and Family Day on the 24th May from 12.30 to 4pm at the Ardfallen Centre Douglas. There will be a bouncy castle and games for the children, as well as afternoon teas, burgers and hotdogs, stalls selling books, homemade cakes, plants and much more.

Youth Mental Health Day With the exam season approaching fast CDYC have organised a day in Bandon Grammar on the 24th May at 10.30am-3.30pm to help with this stressful time. Contact Hilda at <a href="mailto:dyo@corkchurchofireland.com">dyo@corkchurchofireland.com</a> for information.

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# PEW NEWS



11th May, 2025

4th Sunday of Easter

#### Collect

Almighty God, whose Son Jesus Christ is the resurrection and the life: Raise us, who trust in him, from the death of sin to the life of righteousness, that we may seek those things which are above, where he reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God. now and for ever.

#### First Reading: Acts 9: 36-43

Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, "Please come to us without delay." So Peter got up and went with them, and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, "Tabitha, get up." Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. Meanwhile, he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

### Psalm: 23

- 1 The Lord is my shepherd; therefore can I lack nothing.
- 2 He makes me lie down in green pastures and leads me beside still waters.
- 3 He shall refresh my soul and guide me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

- 4 Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.
- 5 You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me; you have anointed my head with oil and my cup shall be full.
- 6 Surely goodness and loving mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

## Second Reading: Revelation 7: 9-17

After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying,

'Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!' And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshipped God, singing,

'Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honour and power and might

be to our God for ever and ever! Amen.'

Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, 'Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?' I said to him, 'Sir, you are the one that knows.' Then he said to me, 'These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them.

They will hunger no more, and thirst no more;

the sun will not strike them,

nor any scorching heat;

for the Lamb at the centre of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.'

## Gospel: John 10: 22-30

At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, 'How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly.' Jesus answered, 'I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me; but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand. The Father and I are one.'