



ASHBOURNE DONAGHMORE PARISH BULLETIN



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Baptism of our Lord

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MASS INTENTIONS

Sat. 9th Jan.	6.00pm	Av. Romian & Joan Higgins
Sun. 10th Jan.	9.00am	Av. Catherine Walsh
Sun. 10th Jan.	11.00am	People of the Parish
Sun. 10th Jan.	12.30pm	Av. Celia Farrell
Mon. 11th Jan.	10.00am	Av. William Welby
Tues. 12th Jan.	10.00am	Remem. Eric Fox
Wed. 13th Jan.	10.00 am	Remem. Sophia Fox
Thurs. 14th Jan.	10.00 am	Deceased of the Roche family
Fri. 15th Jan.	10.00 am	Remem. Peg & Seamus McHugo
Sat. 16th Jan.	10.00am	Sr. Mary Edith O'Doherty R.I.P.
Sat. 16th Jan.	6.00pm	Av. Barry Maguire
Sun. 17th Jan.	9.00am	Av. Brian & Stasia Ward
Sun. 17th Jan.	11.00am	People of the Parish
Sun. 17th Jan.	12.30pm	Av. Rose Rooney

St. Patrick's Church, Donaghmore

Sun. 10th Jan.	10.00 am	Av. Charlie Gregan
Sun. 17th Jan.	10.00 am	Av. Christopher Skelly Av. Seamus Carolan & deceased of the Carolan family



PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND 2016

Fr. Derek will lead a pilgrimage to the Holy Land in association with Pilgrimage People in 2016 (31st October-7th November). Price: €1300 per person sharing. Price includes return airfares including hold baggage, accommodation in 3* hotels on a half-board basis, all transport whilst in the Holy Land, services of a professional guide and all entrance fees. Deposit of €420 and completed booking form required by 3rd February 2016 with balance and any additional supplements due by 3rd June 2016. Further details, itinerary and booking forms available from the Parish Office. www.pilgrimagepeople.org

PARISH GIVING—The second collection for the month of January will take place at all Masses next weekend. This will assist with on-going bills and maintenance costs associated with our churches.

PRIESTS OF THE PARISH

Fr. Derek Darby P.P. - 8350547
Fr. Ciarán Clarke—8350406
Priest on Duty Fr. Derek 087 6757554

PARISH OFFICE OPENING HOURS

9.30 a.m.—12 Noon Mon. to Fri.
10.00 a.m.—12 Noon Sat.
Phone: 01 8353149

PARISH HALL

Bookings for the Parish Hall can be made with Greg on 086 7327737 or parishhall2014@gmail.com

A Prayer for those who have Entered Eternal Rest:

Gabriel Coggins, Bourne Avenue;
Adrian Mc Carton, brother of Damien Mc Carton, Garden City;
Christina Murphy, sister of Anne O'Neill, Huntsgrove;
John Donnelly, nephew of Jan Buggie, Bachelor's Walk

May he rest in the peace of the Risen Christ. Amen

NEW PARISH PROCEDURES FOR OFFERTORY COLLECTION



Last weekend, the Parish implemented the next phase of its compliance with The Charities Act with the introduction of collection bags to replace the collection baskets. These bags will hang on every second pew along the centre aisle.

Blue bags will be used for regular weekly collections. Where there is a second collection (once per month), red bags will also hang on the end of the pew.

We would ask all parishioners to assist the collectors by passing the collection bags along each row as is currently the practice, returning it to the centre aisle.

Additional bags have been placed at the back rows of the church. We would ask parishioners to pass these bags along the back of the church and return them to the tables at the centre aisle where the Collectors will collect them and bring them to the Sanctuary.

We would like to thank you for your cooperation and patience as these changes come into effect.



Ashbourne:

1st & 2nd Sunday of the month at 1.30pm.
3rd Saturday of the month at 4pm.

Donaghmore:

Sunday 29th November, 2015 after 10am Mass.

Pre-Baptism Meeting

Next talk will take place on Monday 11th January 2016 in the Parish Hall, Ashbourne at 8p.m.

Baptism Registration Forms are available on the Parish Website.



Sacraments and Devotions

Morning Masses:

Mon.-Sat. 10.00 a.m.

Ashbourne

Holy Hour:

Tues. 10.30a.m. to 11.30 a.m.

Thurs. 8-9 p.m.

Confessions:

Saturday after 10 a.m. Mass

Saturday 5.30pm

Rosary:

Ashbourne Church

Mon-Fri. 9.30am

Mon-Fri. after 10am Mass

Mon.-Fri. 7.30 p.m.

'Rejoice evermore. Pray without ceasing. In everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Jesus concerning you. 1Thess 5:16-18

YEAR OF MERCY PARISH PROJECT



To mark the Jubilee Year of Mercy, it is hoped to erect a statue of the Immaculate Conception in the church grounds to the front of the church. This project will help to clearly identify the church with its patron: the Immaculate Conception.

It is hoped to engrave the following text on the plinth: "O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee" reminding us of Mary's role as "Mother of Mercy" in this Jubilee Year of Mercy. Donations financially supporting the project would be greatly appreciated. All donations can be made to the Parish Office.

PARISH NOTICES

LEGION OF MARY meet on Thursdays at 8 p.m. in Parish Office. All welcome.

MEDITATION will resume on Wed. 13th Jan. 2016 at 8 p.m. in the Parish Hall. All welcome.

YOUTH 2000 Prayer Group will resume on Tues. 12th Jan. 8-9 p.m. in St. Declan's Room, Parish Office ages 16-35 years. All welcome.

THE MEN'S SHED open every Wednesday 10.30am to 1pm at the Pre-fab Building, Church Grounds, Ashbourne.

ACS ADULT EDUCATION evening classes commencing Mon. 25th Jan. To enrol online www.ashcom.ie/adulted. Office open Mon-Fri. 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. Phone 01 8353007.

ASHBOURNE CEILI CLUB: Classes resume on Tues. 12th Jan. at 8.30 p.m. in Gaelscoil na Cille. New members welcome.

MEATH PARTNERSHIP: Computer, Tablet & Smartphone classes now available in various locations throughout Meath for those aged over 55. For information contact Colin or Tatiana 046 928079

GLEE CLUB resumes Sat. 17th Jan. from 2-3.30 pm in Ashbourne Library for children aged 4-12 years. Contact Danielle 085 2166274.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION PROGRAMME



Next week we welcome the boys and girls, and their families as they continue their preparation for First Holy Communion and Confirmation. The theme of the Confirmation Mass (Sat) is "Follow Me", a play on the

word to 'follow' someone on social media websites and Jesus' call to 'Follow me' in the scriptures. Garda Ashling O'Connor will address the children and congregation on using wisely the gifts of the Holy Spirit in a positive way for the good of others through safe and positive use of the internet. Garda O'Connor will invite the parents and children to enter into a commitment/pledge concerning internet use and safety.

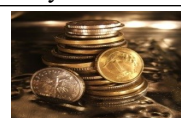


Each year, parishes support the work and mission of the Church through their financial contributions. These collections are the Church's way of organising its support of the work of the Church locally and throughout the world. In order to alleviate extra demands on parishioners attending church services, the Parish Finance Committee has spaced all additional collections to one per month.

January	Parish Development —an additional collection taken to assist with on-going and necessary repairs and maintenance of our parish churches.	17th January
February	Diocesan Cess – an annual Diocesan Levy through which each parish supports the work of the Irish Bishops' Conference – Safeguarding Board, Catholic Education and Formation, Pastoral care of Emigrants & Immigrants, Accord - Family and Marriage, CURA, Healthcare, Prison Chaplaincy, Communications, Marriage Tribunals, Justice and Peace, Permanent Diaconate, Liturgy, Pastoral Renewal and Adult Faith Development. Ashbourne-Donaghmore Parish Contribution - €9,923	14th February
March	Good Friday – a collection taken annually for the support of fellow-Christians persecuted in the Holy Land.	25th March
April	Vocations Sunday – an annual collection which assists the Diocese in the formation of students studying for the priesthood.	17th April
May	Parish Development —an additional collection taken to assist with on-going and necessary repairs and maintenance of our parish churches.	15th May
June	Peter's Pence – an annual collection offered to support the work of Pope Francis in assisting the poor, children, the elderly, those marginalized and the victims of war or natural disasters; concrete aid to dioceses in need, Catholic education, assistance to refugees and immigrants.	26th June
July	Humanitarian Aid Collection/Special Appeal. This collection will support any additional collections parishioners are asked to support throughout the year.	17th July
August	Parish Development —an additional collection taken to assist with on-going and necessary repairs and maintenance of our parish churches.	14th August
September	Fleming Fund – an annual Diocesan collection which assists the Diocese of Meath in supporting retired priests or priests in full-time care. Ashbourne-Donaghmore Parish Contribution—€9,923	18th September
October	Mission Sunday – an annual collection that supports new missions across the world in establishing catechetical programs, seminaries, the work of Religious Communities, communication and transportation needs, the building of chapels, churches, orphanages and schools.	23rd October
November	Annual Mission Awareness & Appeal. Kiltegan Fathers, Co. Wicklow.	6th November
December	Parish Development —an additional collection taken to assist with on-going and necessary repairs and maintenance of our parish churches.	11th December

BETHANY BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT: Drop-in Centre on 3rd Tues. of each month 8-9pm and 3rd Wednesday of each month by appointment. Tel. 087 2715222.

ASHBOURNE PLAYERS presents John B Keane's SIVE in the Pop up Theatre, High Street, Ashbourne on Thurs/Fri/Sat. the 14th, 15th and 16th Jan and 21st/22nd/23rd Jan. 8pm.



Collections
Ashbourne Plate €1,735; Donaghmore Plate €210; Parish Fund €1,040.
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