



ASHBOURNE DONAGHMORE PARISH BULLETIN



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3rd Sunday of Easter

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MASS INTENTIONS

Church of the Immaculate Conception, Ashbourne

Sat. 9th Apr.	6.00pm	Av. Julie & Eugene Curran
Sun. 10th Apr.	9.00am	Av. Teresa Casey
Sun. 10th Apr	11.00am	Months Memory Kate Newman
Sun. 10th Apr.	12.30pm	Av. Oliver & Mary Walsh
Mon. 11th Apr.	10.00am	Av. Sinead Fox
Tues. 12th Apr.	10.00am	Special Intention *
Wed. 13th Apr.	10.00am	Av. James & Alice Dervan
Thurs 14th Apr.	10.00 am	Av. Trevor Fox
Fri. 15th Apr.	10.00 am	1st. Av. John Finglas
Sat. 16th Apr.	10.00am	Av. Tom Morris
Sat. 16th Apr.	6.00pm	Av. Ann O'Sullivan
Sun. 17th Apr.	9.00am	Av. James Kavanagh
Sun. 17th Apr.	11.00am	Months Memory Josephine Walsh
Sun. 17th Apr.	12.30pm	Av. Ann Cooney

St. Patrick's Church, Donaghmore

Sun. 10th Apr.	10.00am	Av. Anne Murphy and James & Eileen Murphy
Sun 17th Apr.	10.00am	Remem. Ellen McDonald

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2016

St. Mary's	Saturday 14th May, 10am
St. Declan's	Saturday 21st May, 10am
Educate Together	Saturday 21st May, 12 noon
Gaelscoil na Cille	Saturday 28th May, 10am
Gaelscoil na Mi	Saturday 28th May, 12 noon

PARISH SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION PROGRAMME

Thank you to those who have enrolled their children in the Parish Sacramental Preparation Programme. Classes are almost full for September 2016 with a limited number of places remaining. Parents wishing to enrol their children in the parish sacramental programme in preparation for First Holy Communion should return completed Registration Forms to the Parish Office before Friday 15th April.

A prayer for those who have entered Eternal Rest:

Eily Donnellan, Newtown, The Ward, Co. Dublin;

Tony Mulvaney, Garristown;

Christ Mc Cormac, Cushinstown;

Dan Sullivan uncle of Mary O'Connor & Teresa Cusack.

Peter Mooney whose Months Memory occurs this weekend.

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



Ashbourne:

1st & 2nd Sunday of the month at 1.30pm.

3rd Saturday of the month at 4.00pm.

Donaghmore:

Sunday 29th May 2016 after 10am Mass.

Pre-Baptism Meeting

Next talk will take place on Monday 11th April, 2016. in the Parish Hall, Ashbourne at 8.00 p.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.

PAPAL BLESSINGS



This weekend, Pope Francis acknowledged the contribution of Una O' Reilly, Mary Flanagan, Sheila Mc Loughlin, and Helena Scully for their outstanding service and commitment to the Parish. They have given of their time in the service of the Church's mission at home and abroad, in the work of evangelisation, the liturgy and their parish. Bishop Michael presented each of them with Pope Francis' Apostolic Blessing.

Earlier this year, Pope Francis imparted his Apostolic Blessing on Ray Heffernan for his tireless work in evangelisation and the Legion of Mary.

ANNUAL CEMETERY DEVOTIONS

Killeland	Friday 27th May 7pm
Donaghmore	Sunday 29th May after 10am Mass
Greenogue	Sunday 29th May 6pm
Ashbourne	Sunday 29th May 7pm
St. Declan's	Sunday 29th May 8pm



Priests of the Parish

Fr. Derek Darby P.P. - 8350547
Fr. Ciaran Clarke C.C. - 8350406
Priest on Duty Fr. Ciaran 01 8350406

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

PARISH NOTICES

JOIN US for tea or coffee after the 11 a.m. Mass each Sunday in the Parish Hall. All welcome.

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

BETHANY BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT: Drop-in Centre on 3rd Tues. of each month 8-9 p.m. or anytime by appointment. Tel. 087 2715222.

MEDITATION on Wednesdays at 8 p.m. in the Parish Hall. All welcome.

YOUTH 2000 PRAYER GROUP meets on Tuesdays 8-9 p.m. in the John Paul II Oratory (formerly the Crying Room) aged 16-35 years. All welcome.

EMMAUS CENTRE has a number of courses on offer. For info. Call 01 8700050 or www.emmaus.ie

MEATH DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES
12-17 September 2016.

ANAM CARA, the organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding a Bereavement Information Evening on Wed. 13th Apr. from 19.30 to 21.30 in the Mullingar Park Hotel. If you are interested in attending please RSVP to info@anamcara.ie before Tues. 12th Apr. or call 01 4045378.

MEATH ARCHAEOLOGICAL & HISTORICAL SOCIETY AGM and lecture "Black Friary Excavations, Trim" at Trim Library, 7.30 p.m. (AGM), 8 p.m. (Lecture). All welcome. Enquiries: 01 8249438.

PILGRIMAGE TO MOUNT MELLERAY, Cappoquin, Co. Waterford ON Sat. 30th Apr. For information please call Tony on 01 8352954 or 087 9526337.

MEATH DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO ROME—
19-27 August 2016 Led by Most Rev. Michael Smith, Bishop of Meath Cost: Twin Sharing ~ €1055 per person, Single Room ~ €1255 per person.



We extend a warm welcome to the following children who were baptised recently:

Maximilian Ducree, Milltown Road
Sophie McPartlan, Johnswood Court
Ralph Koenigsdorfer, Alderbrook Glen
Allie O'Connor, Ashewood Glen
Caelan Tormey, Rath Lodge

We wish God's blessing on the newly baptised and on their families.

EASTER OFFERINGS

Thank you for your continued generosity and financial support of the priests of our Parish. This collection goes towards the payment of our priests' salaries.

Fr. Derek and Fr. Ciaran deeply appreciate your *generosity* on which we depend so much.

Easter Offering Envelopes are available at the back of the church.

WYD KRAKOW, POLAND 2016

World Youth Day is a gathering of young Catholics from around the world with Pope Francis in July 2016. It is for young people (18 - 35) who wish to deepen, share and celebrate their faith. For further information contact the Parish Office or www.dioceseofmeath.ie/youth

YOUTH 2000 WEEKEND RETREAT

For ages 16-35 years, April 22nd—24th
Ashbourne Community School
Donation only
Bring a sleeping bag!
For more information www.youth2000.ie
or 01 6753690



Congratulations to the children of our parish who were confirmed this week by Bishop Michael.

We would like to express our gratitude to the principals, teachers and staff of our schools for their commitment and dedication. A particular word of thanks to the teachers of our sacramental classes, music directors and choirs who enhanced our Confirmation ceremonies this weekend.

Thank you to our parish parents group who coordinated our parish-links Confirmation programme, 'Confirming our Children' and worked alongside our priests, teachers and children in preparation for this weekend. We hope it has enriched the lives of your families as we invite you to joyously witness to Jesus with lives built on faith and love.

Family Prayer

Stay with us Lord,
when our family is united,
when joy and laughter make life easy.
Stay with us Lord,
when there is trouble at home,
when discord and anger upset our peace.
Stay with us Lord,
when there is sickness at home,
when we need your courage and support.
Stay with us Lord,
when the journey of life is over,
and take us to our heavenly home,
to stay with you Lord,
in peace forever. Amen.

TRÓCAIRE BOXES

Please return your Trócaire Boxes to the Church in the coming week. Thank You.

'Amoris Laetitia' on love in the family

Apostolic Exhortation of Pope Francis

Pope Francis published his much anticipated letter on marriage and family—"The Joy of Love" this weekend. This document is the Holy Father's response to the recent Synods in Rome on marriage and family life. "Amoris Laetitia" seeks to affirm not the "ideal family" but the very rich and complex reality of family life.

Here are some quotations from the Pope's letter:

"No family drops down from heaven perfectly formed; families need to grow and mature in the ability to love. All of us are called to keep striving towards something greater than ourselves and our families, and every family must feel this constant desire. Let us make this journey as families. May we never lose heart because of our limitations, or ever stop seeking that fullness of love and communion which God holds out before us."

"Parishes can help in a variety of ways to support families and help them grow. These include meetings of couples living in the same neighbourhood, brief retreats for couples; talks by experts on concrete issues facing families, marriage counselling, social services dealing with financial supports to families in times of crisis. There is also the contribution made by groups of married couples that provide assistance as part of their commitment to faith. Such groups enable couples to be generous, to assist other families and to share the faith; at the same time they strengthen marriages and help them to grow."

The text of the Pope's letter is available at www.dioceseofmeath.ie



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Míle Buíochas
We thank all who contribute and all who pay by Standing Order.

