



ASHBOURNE DONAGHMORE PARISH BULLETIN



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MASS INTENTIONS

Church of the Immaculate Conception, Ashbourne

Sat. 18th Nov.	6.00pm	Av. Paud O'Regan & Les Groome
Sun. 19th Nov.	9.00am	Av. Stephen Ledwith
Sun. 19th Nov.	11.00am	Months Memory Margaret Molloy
Sun 19th Nov.	12.30pm	Av. Roisin O'Callaghan
Mon.20th Nov.	10.00am	Special Intention
Tues. 21st Nov.	10.00am	Special Intention *
Wed. 22nd Nov.	10.00am	Av. Charlie & Nancy Moore
Thurs. 23rd Nov.	10.00 am	Special Intention
Fri. 24th Nov.	10.00 am	Av. Essie Murphy
Sat. 25th Nov.	10.00 am	Av. Ann Kavanagh
Sat. 25th Nov.	6.00 pm	Av. Vera Smith
Sun. 26th Nov.	9.00 am	Av. Margaret Carthy & also remem. Marion O'Toole, her husband Stephen, son Seamus & daughter Tina
Sun. 26th Nov.	11.00 am	1st Av. Bernie Deegan
Sun. 26th Nov.	12.30 pm	Av. John McAleese

St. Patrick's Church, Donaghmore

Sun. 19th Nov.	10.00am	Av. Thomas Morgan & Patrick & Teresa Clarke Av. Pauline Caulfield
Sun. 26th Nov.	10.00am	Av. Tom O'Reilly Deceased of McLoughlin & Tierney families



BETHANY MEMORIAL SERVICE

The Annual Bethany Memorial Service takes place **today 19th November at 7pm** in Ashbourne Church. This service affords all of us the opportunity to remember and pray for loved ones who have died and gone before us. All welcome.

Eternal rest, grant unto them, O Lord.

VOCATION RETREAT DAY

'Mary pondered all these things in her heart' Lk 2:19

A retreat day for young adults (18-40), Dalgan Park, Navan, Saturday 2nd December, 9:30 am - 5pm. The day will include conversations and reflection on the Priesthood, Married Life, Religious Life and Single Life. If interested in attending please contact: youthretreats@gmail.com or 086 603 6506. A donation will cover the cost of lunch and tea-breaks.

A prayer for those who have entered Eternal Rest:

Patrick & Mary Geraghty and their sons Christopher & Michael, Sarah Moore whose anniversaries occur at this time.

Deceased members of the Legion of Mary

Tony Tyrrell whose Months Memory occurs at this time

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 31st December after 10am Mass.

Pre-Baptism Meeting

Next talk will take place on Monday 11th December 2017. 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

Eucharistic Adoration:

Tues. 10.30a.m. to 11.30 a.m.
Thurs. 10.30a.m.—9 p.m.

Confessions:

Saturday after 10 a.m. Mass
First Friday of the Month 7-8pm

Rosary:

Ashbourne Church
Mon-Fri. 9.30am
Mon-Fri. after 10am Mass
Mon.-Fri. 7.30 p.m.



Season of Advent

PARISH CHRISTMAS CARDS

A range of 'Christmas Cards' from Ashbourne -Donaghmore Parish are now available from the Parish Office. The intentions of those to whom the cards are sent will be included in Masses on Christmas Day. Proceeds from the sale of the cards will support Christian Communities throughout the Holy Land.

ADVENT CANDLES

Begin your Christmas preparations. Advent Candles are now available from the Parish Office.

BLESSING FOR EXPECTANT MOTHERS



On the first Saturday of each month, expectant mothers and their families are invited to gather immediately after the 6pm Mass at the altar of the Immaculate Conception in Ashbourne Church to receive a blessing invoking God's blessing on the duration of their pregnancy. It will include a short prayer for protection and safe delivery with an individual blessing for all mothers-to-be.

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 Mary on 086 7327737 or parishhall2014@gmail.com

PARISH NOTICES

PLEASE NOTE tea or coffee after the 11 a.m. Mass **will not** be available today 19th November.

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

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

BIBLE STUDY CLASS continues on Tuesday at 8 p.m. in the Parish Hall. This week's subject The Bible and the Sacraments. All welcome.

MEDITATION takes place on Wednesdays at 8 p.m. in John Paul II Chapel.

LOYOLA INSTITUTE, Trinity College: Why not consider studying Theology at the Loyola Institute. Mature Student open evening 23rd November 5.30-7.30 p.m. See more at www.tcd.ie/loyola-institute

CRAFT FAIR today 19th November, Parish Hall, 11am-3.30pm. All welcome.

ASHBOURNE HISTORICAL SOCIETY Decade of Centenary Lecture Series: 'Irish Polish Relations 1916-1918' by Gabriel Doherty of UCC on Tuesday 21st November at 7.30 p.m. in Ashbourne Library. All welcome.

YOUTH 2000 Christmas Retreat-8th-10th Dec. at Newbridge College, Kildare. For further information see www.youth2000.ie or

ALTAR LIST OF THE DEAD

The month of November is an occasion for us to continue the tradition of visiting the church and cemetery to pray quietly for our dead. Remembering our loved ones, family and friends during the month of November has always been seen as an act of charity to the faithful departed from those who still have the gift of life to help them attain their eternal rest. Our prayers, particularly the offering of Mass, expresses our hope that God will free the person who has died from any burden of sin and prepare a place for them in heaven.

If you would like to add the names of those who have died to the Altar List of the Dead to be included in Masses in Ashbourne and Donaghmore throughout the month of November and every First Friday, please take an Altar List of the Dead Envelope (available at the back of the church) and return to the brown box at the back of the Church.

Some Things we can do in November:

- Attend an additional weekday Mass in remembrance of the dead and those who mourn.
- Visit the cemetery and pray for those we love.
- Go to confession (Saturdays 10.30am)
- Complete the Parish List of the Dead
- Say some family prayers together
- Abstain from alcohol (month's pledge to Sacred Heart of Jesus.)

SPECIAL HONOUR FOR ASHBOURNE-DONAGHMORE RENEWAL OF RELIGIOUS PROFESSION—8th December



On the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, the patron of our church in Ashbourne, one of Mother Teresa's Missionaries of Charity will join our parish community at the 10am Mass where she will solemnly renew her Religious Profession as a Missionary of Charity. This unique occasion in any parish is an opportunity to witness someone committing their lives to the service of God, to accompany them in prayer and to pray

continually for vocations. We would like to offer hospitality after Mass in the Parish Hall. The assistance of volunteers would be greatly appreciated in coordinating tea/coffee and biscuits etc. If available to assist, please contact the Parish Office.

WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES—Rosary Project



'Grandparents are the living memory of the family. They passed on the faith, they transmitted the faith, to us.' *Pope Francis* The parish would like to explore an innovative initiative which brings grandparents and the children of our parish together in a spirit of cooperation and faith. During Lent, the children of our parish schools traditionally join the parish community for daily

Mass. It is hoped to organise a group of parishioners who would be willing to teach the children how to make their own Rosary Beads after the daily Mass. (Training will be provided for volunteers.) Before purchasing the resources necessary to make the beads, we need to determine if there are enough volunteers to begin the project. If interested, and available after daily Mass during Lent, please contact the Parish Office.

#REDWEDNESDAY

Our new external church lighting will formerly be switched on **Wednesday 22nd November at 5pm**. This coincides with the Catholic charity Aid to the Church in Need's #RedWednesday campaign. On this day, churches will be lighting their buildings red in an attempt to shine a light on Christian persecution and highlight the injustices perpetrated against other faith groups.

Christians in many parts of the world suffer: name-calling, harassment, denial of work, homelessness, eviction, physical abuse, kidnap, false imprisonment, torture and murder. Red is the Christian colour of martyrdom. Christians are the most persecuted faith group in today's world and #RedWednesday will honour all Christians who suffer and die for their faithfulness to Christ's message of peace and love.

A short Prayer Service will take place in Ashbourne Church on Wednesday 22nd November beginning at 5pm. All are welcome to join in this act of peaceful, prayerful solidarity with Christians who suffer persecution.

NINEVEH PLAINS CHALLENGE

Aid to the Church in Need is embarking on its most ambitious project to date - The Nineveh Plains Campaign—whereby they are attempting to resettle 14,000 registered families who fled from Mosul and Erbil (The Nineveh plains) during a time of great persecution by ISIS. Nearly 13,000 homes have to be rebuilt, there are ongoing security concerns in the villages, Kurdish-Iraqi political manoeuvring on the ground, infrastructure concerns (water, electricity, roads, schools and clinics) and most importantly the transition period between the end of monthly rentals and food packages. The ultimate goal is to enable Iraqi Christians to return home to their villages in the Nineveh Plains, where they have lived for centuries, and to do so in dignity, safety, as well as security.

WORLD DAY OF REMEMBRANCE



Today, 19th November, marks the World Day of Remembrance for Victims of Road Traffic Accidents. We remember in prayer the many killed and injured on the world's roads and motorways. We pray together for their families and the many others also affected, as well as the

Emergency Services who respond to these tragedies. For further information or support, please contact www.irva.ie.

SAFETY NOTICE

We would ask the assistance of parishioners attending the 12.30pm Mass on Sundays to be mindful when parking their cars of Family Mass children and their leaders as they cross the church grounds to the Parish Office at the beginning of Mass.

KNIGHTS OF ST. COLUMBANUS

Thank you to all who attended the recent introductory meeting to the Knights of St. Columbanus. For those interested in establishing a Council in Ashbourne, please return the 'Proposal Forms' to the Parish Office on, or before 30th November.

Collections

Ashbourne Plate €1,365; Donaghmore Plate €160, Parish Fund €965.

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

