



ASHBOURNE DONAGHMORE PARISH BULLETIN



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Pentecost Sunday

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MASS INTENTIONS

Church of the Immaculate Conception, Ashbourne

Sat. 8th June	6.00pm	Av. Rita McGrath
Sun. 9th June	9.00am	Av. Mary Moore
Sun. 9th June	11.00am	People of the Parish
Sun. 9th June	12.30pm	Av. Michael & Mary Macken
Mon. 10th June	10.00am	Remem. Leonie Browne
Tues. 11th June	10.00am	Special Intention *
Wed. 12th June	10.00am	Av. John D. Curtin
Thurs 13th June	10.00pm	Special Intention
Fri. 14th June	10.00am	Av. Alacoque & Jim Kearns
Sat. 15th June	10.00am	Special Intention
Sat. 15th June	6.00pm	Deceased of the McDonald family
Sun. 16th June	9.00 am	Av. Martin Finn
Sun. 16th June	11.00 am	People of the Parish
Sun. 16th June	12.30 pm	People of the Parish

St. Patrick's Church, Donaghmore

Sun. 9th June	10.00am	Av. Joe Bobbett
Sun. 16th June	10.00am	Av. Roger Barry



In conjunction with the Knights of St. Columbanus the parish will host a Parish Mission in honour of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, beginning Sunday 23rd June with a Family Day, and concluding on the Feast of the Sacred Heart, Friday 28th June. Guest speakers will lead the mission each evening.

Monday 24th June

'Courage—Take Heart'
Fr. Terence Crotty OP

Tuesday 25th June

'Mary, Mother of the Sacred Heart'
Fr. John Harris OP

Wednesday 26th June

'A Promise of Refuge and Strength'
Fr. Seán Hyland, Parish of Portarlington
(Author of 'Whisperings of my Soul')

Thursday 27th June

'A Promise of Mercy'
Fr. Clement (Syro-Malabar Chaplain)

Friday 28th June

Mass in Honour of the Sacred Heart
(Eddie Stones will pray with those in attendance after Mass.)

Each evening (Monday-Friday) commences at 8pm. Monday to Thursday includes the Litany to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, concluding with benediction.



A prayer for those who have entered Eternal Rest:

Teresa Shortall, mother of Tom Shortall, Racehill.

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



Baptism

Ashbourne: 1st & 2nd Sunday of the month at 1.45pm.
3rd Saturday of the month at 4.00pm.

Donaghmore:
Sunday 30th June 2019 during 10 a.m. Mass.

Pre-Baptism Meeting

Next talk will take place on Monday 10th June 2019 in the Parish Hall, Ashbourne at 8.00pm.

Baptism Registration Forms are available on the Parish Website.

SACRAMENTS

Sacraments & Devotions

Morning Masses:

Ashbourne
Mon.-Sat. 10am

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

PIONEER MASS

Takes place in Ashbourne Church, Saturday 29th June at 6pm. For further details, please contact Colette on 01 8352430 or Catherine on 01 8354260.

The monthly meeting of the local Pioneers scheduled for this Wednesday is cancelled. The next meeting will take place Wednesday 10th July at 8pm.

JOHN PAUL II AWARDS

Our thanks to Alice Mc Grath who completes the parish-element of her placement in our parish as part of the John Paul II Awards. We thank her for her work in the ministry of 'welcome' and as a Minister of the Word and wish her well as she submits her presentation for assessment.

FAMILY MASS

Our Parish 'Family Mass' takes place every Sunday, 12.30pm Mass. At the beginning of Mass, the children are accompanied to the Parish Office where they celebrate the Liturgy of the Word simultaneously with those who remain in the church. God's Word is explained in a child-centred, friendly way, and the children later return to the Church at the Offertory for the celebration of the Liturgy of the Eucharist with the rest of the community. The children present the bread and wine along with the work they completed during the Liturgy of the Word; they sign and sing the Our Father, and lead the community in a post-Communion reflection. At all times, the children are actively participating in the celebration of the Mass.

Please come along with your child, introduce them to the Family Mass and support this invaluable ministry to children in our parish!

Priests of the Parish
Fr. Derek Darby P.P. - 8350547
Fr. Ciaran Clarke C.C. - 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 Mary on 086 7327737 or parishhall2014@gmail.com

PARISH NOTICES

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

SUMMER ROSARY continues this Wednesday at Milltown Estate at 8pm. All welcome.

MEDITATION takes place on Wednesdays at 8 p.m. in JP11 Chapel. All welcome.

Why not try an MPhil IN CHRISTIAN THEOLOGY? For further info email the Loyola Institute, Trinity College at loyola@tcd.ie Generous scholarships available.

IRISH BLOOD TRANSFUSION SERVICE will visit the Ashbourne House Hotel, Monday 10th and Tuesday 11th June from 4.30-8p.m. For further information contact 041 6859994.

IS GAMBLING RUINING YOUR LIFE? For further information call 087 9771142.

TALK ON THE VENERABLE MATT TALBOT on Monday 10th June in Ashbourne Church after the rosary. All welcome.

ASHBOURNE MENS SHED: Social Club for men of all ages. Drop-in Centre 58 High Street (Youth Café) at Lidl carpark. Open Wed. and Fri. 10.30am-1pm. Contact Hugh Stevens 087 6691529.

‘A MIDSUMMER WALK for the Homeless 2019’ Tara to Newgrange along the River Boyne on Sat. 22nd June in support of Peter McVerry Trust. All welcome. For info. call Conor on 086 8519707.

KEVIN BELL REPATRIATION TRUST aims to alleviate the financial hardship of bereaved families, repatriating loved ones who have died abroad in sudden or tragic circumstances back to Ireland. A donation of €13,541 was donated by members of Donaghmore-Ashbourne GAA and the Local Lions Club in support of this worthy organisation.

DIOCESAN CHANGES 2019

Bishop Tom recently announced the appointment of Fr. Derek as Episcopal Vicar for Pastoral Planning and Development and Administrator the Cathedral-Parish of Mullingar. An Episcopal Vicar is a priest appointed by the Bishop to oversee an important aspect of Diocesan life on behalf of the Bishop. He has also announced the appointment of Fr. John Nally, currently Parish Priest of Ballynacaragy as the new Parish Priest of Ashbourne-Donaghmore Parish. The changes come into effect on Monday 17th June. As Bishop Tom visits our parish on Sunday 16th May, Fr. Derek will formally say farewell at all Masses this weekend. **Please note: to mark his departure from our parish a reception will follow the 6 pm Mass on 15th June.** We wish Fr. Derek every blessing as he assumes his new responsibilities in Mullingar and the Diocese. May God reward him for his faithful service and commitment to our parish.

PARISH WELCOME & OUTREACH INITIATIVE

The PPC is commencing a welcome and outreach initiative to all the homes in our parish in the coming weeks. Thank you to all who volunteered after Masses last weekend following Brian Smith’s presentation where he stressed the need for community and a sense of belonging in people’s lives, and how our faith community has an integral part to play particularly in these times of rapid change. During this time of transition for our parish it is important we build on the work already started and bring this project to fruition.

What does a volunteer have to do? After some initial training, volunteers will be sent out in pairs to visit each house in the parish. Volunteers extend a word of welcome to those in each home to join our parish community on Sunday and they leave a leaflet with them informing them of the various activities and pastoral initiatives in our parish.

We hope to establish a team of c.50-people. Anyone interested in join this initiative should contact the Parish Office as soon as possible.

KNOCK SHRINE

The Apostolate of Adoration invites Parishioners to the Adoremus National Eucharistic & Marian Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine on Fri. 14th June and on all day Sat. 15th June. Full programme organised. Further information on www.eucharisticadoration.ie, email info@eucharisticadoration.ie or call 087 2478519.

FREE CATHOLIC PUBLICATIONS

KINGDOM
REVELATOR
A CATHOLIC MAGAZINE FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

‘Kingdom Revelator’ is a free Catholic magazine for young people. It reaches out to families with real-life testimonies,

reflections, scripture, youth-news, activities and thought-provoking articles which help young and old connect with their faith and deepen their relationship with Jesus. We invite families to take copies of the magazine from the back of the church.

PRAYER FOR STUDENTS SITTING EXAMS



In Saint Luke’s Gospel we read: Three days later, they found him in the Temple, sitting among the teachers, listening to them, and asking them questions; and all those who heard him were astounded at his intelligence and his replies. (Luke 2:46-48)

Lord, pour out your Spirit of Wisdom on these students: help them to remain calm,

to attend carefully to the questions asked, to think clearly, to remember accurately, and to express themselves well.

Grant that they may reflect on the best of the work they have done and the best of the teaching they have received.

Accept their best efforts in these examinations and in the great test of life on earth.

May your love be upon them, O Lord, as they place all their trust in you.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. AMEN

Every good wish and blessing to all sitting their Junior Cert and Leaving Cert exams. God of yesterday, today and tomorrow send your Holy Spirit to be with them and to guide them.

SAVE OUR BEES!



Many of our plants are pollinated by bees and other insects. Pollinators are important to farmers that grow pollinator dependent crops, to gardeners who want to grow their own fruit and vegetables and for the health of our environment. Unfortunately, these pollinators are in serious decline. One third of our 98 wild bee species are threatened with extinction.

Bees are a symbol of industriousness, unity and a community that gives fruit. They play a vital role in the planet’s ecosystem and their disappearance would have disastrous consequences for health and the environment; a third of human food production depends on crops pollinated by insects, 80% percent of which are bees.

Today, the humble honeybee desperately needs ministering. Since 2006, the world has witnessed a disturbing phenomenon referred to as colony collapse disorder (CCD), where all the worker bees disappear from a hive, leaving their queen behind to starve.

Pope Francis benefits from the 500,000 bees on the papal farm at Castel Gandolfo. The papal bees aid in the pollination of 800-year-old olive trees, fruit trees and vegetable gardens in the self-sustaining farm. The Vatican farm is precisely a sign of the pope’s attention to creation, to nature, to the rural world and so we must ‘care for our common home’. Thanks ‘bee’ to God!



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