

# ASHBOURNE DONAGHMORE PARISH NEWSLETTER

Website: [ashbourneparish.ie](http://ashbourneparish.ie)

**Corpus Christi 14/06/2020**

Our office is contactable to the public  
Monday –Friday 9.30am - 2.30pm by  
telephone (01) 8353149 or e-mail **ONLY**  
[ashbournedonaghmoreparish@gmail.com](mailto:ashbournedonaghmoreparish@gmail.com)

All Mass bookings & enquiries should be  
made in this way please.

Mass Cards are available for collection on  
Wednesdays **ONLY** from 10.30am-12.30pm  
in the parish office. Please pre-book these by  
phone or e-mail

The **Toilets** in the Parish Office remain  
**Closed** at this time of emergency for obvious  
reasons of hygiene.

## Priests of the Parish

Fr. John Nally P.P.  
Fr. Ciarán Clarke C.C.

## Priest on Call

T: 087 - 3519516 (for urgent enquiries)

**Parish Secretary** - Mary Mullen

## Parish Hall

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E: [parishhall2014@gmail.com](mailto:parishhall2014@gmail.com)

*The Parish Hall is closed during this  
time of suspension.*

## MASS INTENTIONS 14TH JUNE TO 20TH JUNE

**Sunday 14th 11am** McLoughlin & Tierney Family,  
Ita Merry, Roger Barry, Nora Loftus & sister  
Lily Simon

**Monday 15th 10am** Special Intention

**Tuesday 10am** Martin Finn

**Wednesday 10am** Alacoque & Jim Kearns



**PLEASE RETURN TRÓCAIRE BOXES / DONATIONS  
THIS WEEK TO THE PARISH OFFICE ON  
WEDNESDAY 10.30AM -12.30PM.**

## SACRAMENTS

### Sacraments & Devotions

Masses will continue to be  
celebrated via our Webcam:  
[http://  
www.ashbourneparish.ie/  
news/church-services-tv/  
Sunday @ 11am.  
Mon –Sat @ 10am](http://www.ashbourneparish.ie/news/church-services-tv/)

Confessions:  
Are suspended until further  
notice.



## Baptism

Baptisms are not continuing at the  
present time except in cases of  
illness. - *By request*

### Pre-Baptism Meeting

Next Meeting: Postponed until  
further notice.

***Baptism Registration Forms are  
available on the Parish Website.  
Dates to be booked with the  
Parish Office.***

## Giving during this time:

Dear Parishioners,  
The past few months have been deeply distressing for everybody. It is particularly devastating for all who have lost jobs and are seriously financially impaired. With so much challenge we don't expect parishioners to financially support the parish unless you are in a position to do so. A number of people have asked us to put the Parish account number (IBAN and BIC) on this website so that you can support us online. With people trying to steer clear of handling cash/coin it seems the best way to contribute and we would like to encourage this. Recently we have also added a new **DONATE** button onto our parish website which will make it even easier for people to send us funds.

Bank online details : **Parish Funds BIC: BOFIE2D  
IBAN :IE81BOFI90318941259940**

**Priest's Offerings BIC: BOFIE2D  
IBAN: IE66BOFI90318941030708**

**The Parish Office now accepts payment by Bank Card /  
Credit Card over phone (01) 8353149**

**A secure designated box is located at the back of the Church  
for Parish Funds, Priest's Offerings and Donations**

When contributing online please indicate your name so we can  
credit you at the years end and many many thanks for all your  
heartfelt support during this time.

## Please Pray for those who have died in recent weeks

**Gerard (Gerry) Lillicrap**, Milltown, Ashbourne, Co. Meath.  
**George Kelly**, Huntsgrove, Ashbourne, Co. Meath.  
**Denis O'Brien**, Kilbrew Demesne, Ashbourne/Kilmore West,  
Dublin.

**Pat Doherty**, Broadmeadow Road / Donegal

**Andrew (Andy) Roche**, Milltown, Ashbourne, Co. Meath.

**Tony O'Connor**, Baltrasna, Ashbourne, Co. Meath

**Kathleen Tormey**, Fleenstown, The Ward, Ashbourne, Co.  
Meath.

**Fr. Phonic Macken**, retired Parish Priest of Bohermeen and  
former director of Meath Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes.

**Fr. Gabriel O'Dowd**, retired Parish Priest of St. Margaret's  
Parish, Dublin.

**Hugh Bartley**, Castle Park, Ashbourne, Co. Meath

**Phyllis Twomey**, The Ward, Dublin/Meath

**Gerry Murray**, Milltown Rise, Ashbourne, Co. Meath

**Brigid Flynn**, Castle Park, Ashbourne, Co. Meath

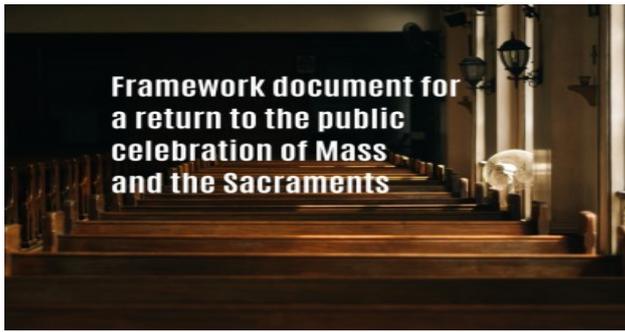
**Pauline Loughran**, Castle Park, Ashbourne, Co. Meath

**Pawel Jankowski**, Poland



## **Bishops issue guidelines on returning to public worship**

"No church should be opened for public prayer or worship until satisfactory arrangements, as indicated in this Framework, have been put in place."



The Irish Bishops Conference has issued guidelines to parishes across Ireland on the initial steps they need to take to enable them return to the celebration of the sacraments and to ensure that those in attendance are protected.

Following their online meeting on Monday, the bishops issued their document titled, 'Framework Document for a return to the public celebration of Mass and the Sacraments' on Tuesday.

They said that as the Church looks forward "in joy and hope" to the re-opening of its churches for the celebration of Mass and the Sacraments, the Framework Document is offered to dioceses and parishes to assist priests and people in their preparations and to help ensure that the re-opening of churches for public worship happens "in a safe and measured way".

Given the variety of church buildings and communities, they acknowledged that the Framework will need to be adapted to suit differing situations on the ground.

The bishops warned that "in all circumstances the safety and health of people, ministers, and priests must be paramount. No church should be opened for public prayer or worship until satisfactory arrangements, as indicated in this Framework, have been put in place."

They said the Framework had been developed following "extensive" consultation across the dioceses of Ireland and that it takes cognisance of the most up-to-date public health advice and associated regulations and obligations.

Parishes are told they must establish a Covid-19 Support Team of parishioners to organise preparations and to oversee their implementation and verification. They must also secure an appropriate supply of signage, cleaning/sanitising materials and accessories and items necessary for protection.

On physical distancing, the bishops adhere to the current public health advice on maintaining at least two metres between people.

This will mean that the number of people who can be accommodated for any communal prayer or liturgy will be much reduced.

The bishops' guidance also highlights that the demands of physical distancing will also apply in relation to people entering the church and leaving it and that there should be stewards to assist people as they enter or leave and to direct them to available seats.

Churches must ensure that the areas where people can sit are clearly indicated by closing off rows of seats. They must also provide for the needs of people with disabilities.

Clear advice must be issued regarding people observing physical distancing outside the church and provision must be made for hand sanitising entering and leaving the church.

On the maintenance of hygiene, the guidelines require that all holy water fonts are emptied and that some "safe mechanism" is put in place for taking up church collections, such as secure and supervised boxes near the doors of the church.

In relation to liturgical matters, the Framework document recommends that for the time being, Communion should not be given under both kinds, and that the host should be received in the hand.

The dispensation from the Sunday and Holy Day obligation is also extended.

Priests and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion must visibly sanitise their hands both before and after the distribution of Communion and should wear a face-covering while distributing Communion.

On baptisms, the celebrant will sign the child with the Cross without touching and anoint with Holy Oils using a cotton bud.

In a statement, Bishop Brendan Leahy of Limerick said the publication of the framework was "a very positive moment for us all, not least as it gets us thinking about the return to public celebration of the sacraments, which we have all missed so much".

However, he underlined that it would not be without challenges, as on a parish by parish basis, there is much work to do in a short space of time to ensure that every public health measure possible is taken.

"Obviously, the number of people allowed into churches will be very significantly limited and we need to get a handle on that and all other arrangements. Ultimately, communications will play a big role in this also so that the public will know the restrictions and the arrangements," the Bishop of Limerick said.

"Some people, due to existing health concerns, won't be able to attend and we will have them very much in mind. If there's a consolation it is in how much people have engaged with our services online during the COVID lockdown. We will, of course, be continuing with those and look forward to our celebrations being enhanced come 29<sup>th</sup> June," he said.

### **Virtual ADOREMUS 2020**

which is a Pilgrimage and a National Eucharistic Congress combined in Knock

LIVE LINK & PROGRAMME – Virtual Pilgrimage to Knock  
(Saturday 20th/21st June) Starting @ 2pm

Click on this LINK:

<https://eucharisticadoration.ie/national-eucharistic-congress-apostolate-of-eucharistic-adoration-pilgrimage-to-knock/>



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