

ASHBOURNE DONAGHMORE PARISH NEWSLETTER

Website: ashbourneparish.ie

14th Sunday in Ordinary time 05/07/2020

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

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

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Fr. Ciarán Clarke C.C.

Priest on Call

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Parish Hall

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

MASS INTENTIONS 5TH JULY TO 12TH JULY

- Sunday 5th 11am** Martin Moore
12.30pm Maureen & PJ Kelly, Eamon McKeon
Tuesday 7th 10am Joan-Inglis Browne
Thursday 9th 10am Peggy O'Connell
Friday 10th 10am Joseph Rooney
Saturday 11th 7pm Tom Flynn, Anne & Billy Garland,
Michael-Stephen Conlon & Agnes Conlon
Sunday 12th 9am Hannah Kelly,
11am Tom Cotter Mth Mind
12.30pm Gerry & Pauline Harrington
Donaghmore 5th 10am James Dervan & Family
Declan Kelly



Baptism

Baptisms will take place in :-

***Ashbourne Church on Saturdays at 3.30pm and
Sundays at 2pm
and Donaghmore Church by request***

Pre Baptism meetings are suspended for the moment
however, a Baptism preparation video has been produced in
our own parish and will be sent to each family as they book in
and can be viewed at home.

In Ashbourne Church the maximum number of families we can
take at any one session is 4. Each family will be limited to
Parents, Godparents, child and siblings for the time being.

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

**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**

IBAN: IE66BOFI90318941030708

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

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

Tom Cotter, Broadmeadow Road, Ashbourne, Co. Meath

John Emmett, Cluain Rí, Ashbourne / Finglas, Dublin

Mary McCormack, Cluain Rí, Ashbourne, Co. Meath

Noreen King, Curragha. Ashbourne, Co. Meath

Kevin Devine, Crenigans, Bawnóg, Ashbourne, Co. Meath

Manus O'Byrne, Dublin Road, Ashbourne, Co. Meath

Fr. Paddy Keary P.P. (former parish priest of Clara and Holy
Family parish Drogheda)

Maria O'Sullivan, Ashbourne, Co. Meath

/ Rathcoole Co. Dublin



WELCOME

It's great for all of us to be back together again!

The last few months have been difficult for all of us but we will help each other as the next few weeks unfold. Please keep in mind these 3 simple words:- **Patience, Flexibility and Support** as we face into change together.

- We need to be **Patient** with each other and new realities
- We need to be **Flexible** when situations are not as they were before or as we would like them to be.
- We need to **Support** with positivity those who are trying to help us.

We want you to be confident about returning to the Church and Mass/Ceremonies so please take a minute to read through the following:-

- Every Mass is now a 'Sunday Mass'. The Irish Bishops have suspended the 'obligation' to attend on a Sunday so every Mass now holds as a Sunday Mass. This means that parishioners who are not free and not working could attend the 10am Mass during a weekday instead of a Sunday Mass thereby allowing working parishioners and young families to attend at the weekend.
- May we also ask that those who attend Mass everyday would limit themselves to attending once a week. I know this is an imposition but as with all these requests / guidelines its "For the time being" and not forever.
- At present, Government restrictions limit any building no matter how large to a maximum of 50 people with 200 people outdoors allowed to assemble. This may change in the coming day(s) but at the time of the bulletins printing (Friday afternoon-July 3rd) it remains in place.
- Given these restrictions we are conscious of holding to the following principle -
 - A) that everyone who comes to Mass is treated equally in our Parish
 - B) That everyone who would like to receive Holy Communion is allowed to do so
 - C) The fairest method we can find to facilitate everyone is to Celebrate Mass in the front porch of the Church facing the first carpark.

This has many benefits:-

Firstly those standing in the carpark (please feel free to bring a deck chair/seat) will be able to hear and see the Mass. Extra amplification has been added.

Secondly, those who can't stand for very long or feel a bit unsteady will be allowed into the Church building to a maximum of fifty. They will also be able to hear and depending on where they sit, see the Mass celebrated.

Thirdly, those who join us on webcam will also be able to hear and see Mass celebrated as a mobile device located in the porch will transfer this to our webcam. When logging onto the parish website, please click "Parish Services", scroll down to the webcam icon, click it and then click onto the "Mobile" option over the church picture.

If the Government lifts its restrictions to 100 people in any building or the "2 metre" distancing approach then **Weekday Masses** will be completely transferred inside but **Masses at the Weekends** will continue to be celebrated in the porch for the time being. We hope to have a large canopy in place for next weekend in the carpark.

- Some people will be understandably nervous and anxious about returning to sit in a Church for Mass due to all kinds of reasons. For those who feel they just can't attend but would dearly like to receive the Eucharist a special hour between 3.30pm-4.30pm is being set aside so people can come and receive and then leave in their own time
- Overflow Issues Whether its Ashbourne or Donaghmore Church there will be certain Masses especially at the weekend where not everybody will be able to get into Church so the outside amplification will be switched on. In Ashbourne a Minister of the Eucharist will distribute Holy Communion at a specially designed station located at the Parish Office door.
- Ministers of the Eucharist will distribute Holy Communion wearing a mask and visor for your and their protection. They will not wear gloves as per the instructions we have been given from Bishop Tom. Holy Communion will only be distributed on the hand and not on the tongue. This is for everybody's protection and we appreciate your understanding in this regard.
- Donaghmore Church will only have 16 benches available for public use which means that one family from an individual household can occupy one bench. This means that the Sunday 10am Mass at Donaghmore Church will be most restricted of all Masses to attend. For this particular Mass, parishioners will have to book in to the Parish Office to secure a bench. Obviously those who have a Mass intention arranged will be given a priority. This will not apply to Mass this Sunday (5th July) as Mass will be celebrated in the Church Porch to facilitate both those inside and out.
- Toilets:- Will only be available in the Parish Hall and not the Parish Office. Toilets will only be available during Mass times
- First Holy Communions (7 separate sessions) have been arranged for the Saturdays of July and August so the 10am Mass on Saturday morning has been dropped. However an extra Mass at 7pm on Sunday has been added

Interim Parish Schedule Effective from 29th June 2020

CHURCH OPENS Monday—Friday 10.45am

Saturday at 1.30pm

Sunday after final morning Mass / Ceremony

SUNDAY MASSES: 9am, 11am, 12.30pm, 7pm

Mass in Donaghmore Church at 10am

DAILY MASS: Monday - Friday at 10am

SATURDAY: 7pm (vigil)

No 10am Mass On Saturday

CONFESSIONS: 5pm - 6pm on Saturday

Church must be vacated immediately after each Mass / Ceremony for cleaning please.

Church Closes at 8pm