



# ASHBOURNE DONAGHMORE PARISH NEWSLETTER

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

**The Baptism of the Lord 10/01/2021**

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** will  
be posted out only as the **office is closed**  
due to Government restrictions..

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

Tel: 087 - 3519516 [For urgent enquiries]

## Parish Secretary

Mary Mullen

## Parish Youth Ministry Worker

Joe Mahony  
Parish Office (01) 8353149

## MASS INTENTIONS 9th - 17th JANUARY

- Sunday 10th 10am** Joan & Séamus Lyons, Ann & John Brennan,  
Adrain Rock, Catherine Walsh.  
**12.30pm** Barry Maguire, Patty McNevin mths mind.
- Monday 11th 10am** The Finnegan Family, John Francis Browne.
- Tuesday 12th 10am** Mary Brady mths mind,  
Sympathisers of Tony O'Connor.
- Wednesday 13th 10am** Tom Daly 1st Anv, Anna Russell,  
dec'd Brennan, Fitzgerald, O'Brien families.
- Thursday 14th 10am** Ann Locky, Pádraig Scanlon, dec'd Scanlon &  
Mullen families, Holy Souls.
- Friday 15th 10am** Bridget & John Garvey, dec'd Boylan &  
Garvey families.
- Sunday 17th 10am** Ann Grimes.  
**12.30pm** Christopher Tormey, Ann Brennan.

## Mass on Webcam

During this new and present time of restriction (level 5) our  
**Masses** celebrated in the parish can **only be viewed on**  
**Webcam**. During the last time of restriction (March - June)  
our Sunday Mass time was at 11am, however, during this time  
Fr. John and Fr. Ciarán will celebrate two Masses each  
Sunday in **Ashbourne Church** at **10am and 12.30pm**.  
Intentions from other weekend Masses will be moved to these  
times and the relevant families will be notified. In celebrating  
the 10am Sunday Mass in Ashbourne Church it establishes a  
greater bond with our sister Church of St. Patrick's in  
Donaghmore.

## **SUNDAY MASSES**

**10am & 12.30pm**  
via **webcam** only

**DAILY MASS: Monday - Friday at 10am via webcam only**

**Webcam:**

[www.ashbourneparish.ie/news/church-services-tv/](http://www.ashbourneparish.ie/news/church-services-tv/)


## **Church opens after cleaning**

**Monday - Saturday at 11.15am (Funeral permitting)**

**Sunday after final morning Mass**

**Church Closes at 8pm**

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

**Mary Brady**, Broadmeadow Green, Ashbourne, Co. Meath.  
**Raymond Sheedy**, Artane, Dublin, uncle of Michelle Heneghan.  
**Augustine Kearns**, Ballyhaunis, Mayo, brother of Maureen Coggins.  
**Trisha (Mary) McDonnell**, mother of Paddy McDonnell.  
**James Tunnah**, Castle Crescent, Ashbourne, Co. Meath.  
**James (Jimmy) Lee**, Finglas, Dublin.   
**Dolores O'Neill**, Tudor Grove, Ashbourne / Marino, Dublin.  
**Babs Cotter**, Broadmeadow Castle, Ashbourne, Co. Meath.  
**Patrick (Pat) Sheehy**, Malahide, Dublin, father of Karen Peel.  
**Patrick Cronan**, Milltown Road, Ashbourne.  
**Des Rochford**, Templeogue, Dublin, brother of Ben Rochford.

**NEW BOXES OF WEEKLY ENVELOPES IN ALPHABETICAL ORDER**  
**AND WITH NEW NUMBERING SYSTEM ARE AT THE BACK OF**  
**THE CHURCH FOR COLLECTION — THANK YOU** 

## **Giving during this time:**

Parishioners and others continue to ask us to put the Parish  
account number (IBAN and BIC) so that you can support us  
online. 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 accepts payment by Bank /Credit Card**  
**over phone (01) 8353149.**

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.

## **Collections**

Development Fund €355

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



## Pope Francis appoints Bishop Dermot Farrell as the new Archbishop of Dublin



The Holy Father, Pope Francis, has appointed the Most Reverend Dr Dermot Farrell, until now Bishop of Ossory, as Archbishop of Dublin.

Archbishop-elect Farrell replaces the Most Reverend Archbishop Diarmuid Martin whose request for retirement has been accepted by Pope Francis, and becomes effective from the day of the appointment of his successor. The date for taking over the pastoral governance of the Archdiocese of Dublin will be announced at a later time and, during the interregnum until the installation of the new Archbishop, Pope Francis has appointed Archbishop Martin by Decree as Apostolic Administrator of the Archdiocese of Dublin with all the rights, faculties and duties of a diocesan bishop. Bishop Farrell becomes Archbishop-elect of Dublin and continues in the capacity of the Administrator of the Diocese of Ossory.

Dermot Farrell was born in 1954, the eldest of seven children of the late Dermot and Carmel Farrell, in Garthy, Castletown-Geoghegan, Co Westmeath, in the Diocese of Meath.

After his primary education in Castletown-Geoghegan and Streamstown, he attended Saint Finian's College, Mullingar. In September 1972 he began his studies for the priesthood at Saint Patrick's College, Maynooth, obtaining a Bachelor of Science Degree in 1976, as part of his philosophical studies. During his theological studies he was awarded a Bachelor in Divinity Degree in 1979 and a licence in Theology in 1981, both by the Pontifical University, Maynooth. He was ordained to the priesthood in Saint Michael's Church, Castletown-Geoghegan on 7 June 1980.

Upon the completion of his studies he was appointed as Curate in the Cathedral Parish of Christ the King, Mullingar. In 1985 he began doctoral studies in the Gregorian University and, in 1988, was awarded a Doctoral Degree in Theology, for a dissertation entitled: *The Dogmatic Foundations of Bernard Häring's Thought on Christian Morality as a Sacramental Way of Life*.

His final year in Rome also saw him serving as a Director of Formation in the Pontifical Irish College.

Following his return from Rome he was appointed Curate in Tullamore Parish and in 1989-90 he began lecturing in Moral Theology at Saint Patrick's College, Maynooth. In 1990 the Maynooth College Trustees appointed him Executive Assistant to the President of College and to membership of the Faculty of Theology, holding the post of Director of the one-year Religious Studies Programme. In 1993 he was appointed Vice-President of Saint Patrick's College, Maynooth, and in 1996 was appointed President of the College, a position he held until his retirement in 2007. In 1997 he was named as an Honorary Prelate of his Holiness. From September 2007 until 2018 he served as Parish Priest of Dunboyne and Kilbride Parish, Co Meath, and was appointed Vicar General of the Diocese of Meath in 2009.

Bishop Farrell has extensive administrative experience: he has served on various boards and committees, among them, the Board of Allianz plc; the Governing Body of the National University of Ireland, Maynooth; the Theological Department Irish Inter-Church Committee, and as National Director of the Permanent Diaconate, and he is currently Chairman of Veritas Communications.

His appointment as Bishop of Ossory by Pope Francis was announced on 3 January 2018, and he was ordained bishop in Saint Mary's Cathedral, Kilkenny, on 11 March 2018.

He was elected Finance Secretary of the Irish Bishops' Conference in March 2019.

Bishop Farrell's episcopal motto "Adiutorium nostrum in nomine Domini" is taken from Psalm 124. (Our Help is in the name of the Lord).

Archbishop-elect Dermot is well known to our parish here in Ashbourne-Donaghmore having helped our retired Bishop Michael at Confirmation ceremonies for many years here as well as ministering during penitential / confessions at Christmas time.

Fr. Ciarán who serves in this parish was a curate with Archbishop elect Dermot when they served together in Dunboyne-Kilbride parish. On behalf of our parish and parish team we congratulate him and wish him well.

## Bishop Denis Nulty urges victims of domestic abuse not to suffer in silence

Bishop Denis Nulty of Kildare and Leighlin, has urged victims of domestic abuse not to stay silent during the Covid-19 pandemic. He was speaking during Mass on Second Sunday of Christmas, broadcast on KCLR 96FM.

He said, "This Covid pandemic is challenging the best of us. There is a hidden silent pandemic which is more prevalent whenever the more severe restrictions come into place. I speak of domestic abuse which can take many forms. In this time of pandemic couple relationships are being tested and challenged in ways that none of us could ever have foreseen. Lockdown introduces a unique set of new and unfamiliar stressors in a relationship, that might struggle to cope in normal times.

"With the pressures of a loss of income, with the stress of working from home, with increasing family demands from the little ones, it can become harder and harder to avoid the daily frustrations that can flare into full blown rows that might feel like the family is tearing itself apart. Often it starts with a word, a jibe, a cutting searing remark that can cause deep pain."

Appealing to victims, Bishop Nulty said, "Don't suffer in silence. Be aware there is help there through ACCORD, Catholic Marriage Care Service's counselling service, through Women's Aid, through Men's Aid Ireland and most importantly in an emergency through An Garda Síochána. No one needs to live in fear. I repeat don't suffer in silence. Seek help and stop the abuse now whether it be emotional, psychological, physical or coercive control."

## Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament



The Blessed Sacrament will be Exposed for Adoration on the Main Altar of Ashbourne Church after Mass (funeral permitting) until 8pm each Thursday for private prayer and devotion in **silence**.

This is an opportunity for people to listen to God and pray quietly in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament.

We ask those visiting the Church to observe social distancing and hand sanitizing

**Irish Hospice Foundation Bereavement Support Line**  
**1800 807 077 Mon—Fri 10am-1pm or leave a message**  
**The Samaritans call 116 123 lines open 24hr**