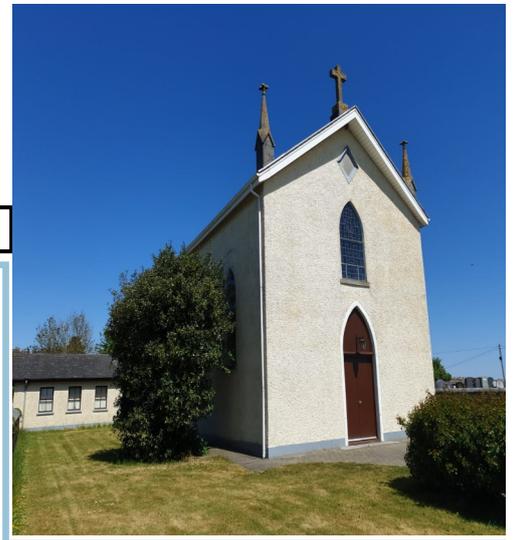




ASHBOURNE DONAGHMORE PARISH NEWSLETTER

Website: ashbourneparish.ie

Second Sunday of Lent 28/02/2021



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

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 28th FEBRUARY - 7th MARCH

Sunday 28th	10am	Harry Cullen, Mortimer & Katherine O'Sullivan & daughter Mary, Bridget Hughes, James (Jimmy) Lee
	12.30pm	Special Intention
Monday 1st	10am	Sam Leonard, Brigid Cantwell mths mind
Tuesday 2nd	10am	Thanksgiving, Annie Seagrave & husband Joseph
Wednesday 3rd	10am	Celine Hogan, Dónal O'Loingsigh, Granny May McKenna mths mind
Thursday 4th	10am	Stephen Taylor, Ann Blankenship
Friday 5th	10am	Con Moynihan, Christine Foran-Moore
Sunday 7th	10am	Theresa Tierney, Laurence Kearns, Jim Clancy Dónal O'Loingsigh
	12.30pm	John Farrell, Fergus Dignan Terry & Christina Smith

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/

Adoration every Thursday until 8pm

Church opens after cleaning

Monday - Saturday at 11.15am (Funeral permitting)

Sunday after final morning Mass

Church Closes at 8pm

Parish calendars available at the back of the Church

Please Pray for those who have died in recent weeks

James (Jim) Mullen, Balrath/Ashbourne Meath Father of Donal Mullen
Biddy Carey, Kilcommon Tipperary, Mother of Donie Carey
Christine (Chris) Foran-Moore, Ashbourne, Meath /Whitehall, Dublin
Tom Kavanagh, Killucan, Co. Westmeath Brother-in-Law of Frank McLoughlin
Brigid Cantwell, Tipperary sister-in-law of Joan Newsome Castle Pk
Robert Kevelighan, Baltrasna, Meath
Dónal ÓLoingsigh, The Hawthorns, Ashbourne, Meath.Cork
Tony McMahon, The Ward Dublin, husband of Dorrie and dad of Steven
Marion (Mir) Condon, Cookstown, Ashbourne, Co. Meath
Paudie Daly, Cork, Brother-in-law of Mary Daly
William (Bill) Henry, Fieldstown, Killsallaghan, Ashbourne, Co. Meath
Bridget Hughes sister of the late Kay Creaby



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

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 amount to be advised
We thank all who contribute and all who pay by Standing Order.
Míle Buíochas





Bishop Denis Nulty reflects on Lent 2021

“Lent is never about adding to the difficulty of what we are experiencing – far from it. Rather, Lent presents us with the most powerful reminder that, in the face of the turmoil and pain, the tremendous suffering of this world, the Lord is with us.

The past year has taught us an awful lot about priorities. If Lent is about getting our priorities right, about getting our life back on track, if it is about returning to God with all our heart, I ask you, what might that mean for you in real and concrete ways this Lent, what choices are you being called to?”

“Of course, we have trusted tools to help us make our Lenten journey back to God. Our traditional disciplines of prayer, fasting and charity are not intended to be empty, pious actions. Instead, each of these disciplines is intended to draw us closer to choosing God and closer to choosing a life lived out of faith.

“This Lent I invite you to really think about what meaningful choices you might make around prayer, fasting and charity. Let them be choices that allow God, and others, into your life. Let them be choices that will deepen the hope and strength that comes from our faith alone, a hope and strength that we are called to share in solidarity with the whole world in this time of pandemic.

“As we prepare for Easter over the next 40 days, our spiritual conversion can be nourished by daily actions, thoughts, prayers and words. During Lent we also offer a particular sacrifice in our personal lives to help strengthen our relationship with the all-merciful Lord. In his message for Lent 2021, Pope Francis is inviting the faithful to ‘renew our faith, draw from the living waters of hope, and receive with open hearts the love of God.’ said Archbishop Eamon Martin.

“I invite everyone to read the Holy Father’s short Lenten message and to avail of our #LivingLent initiative on Twitter and Instagram, and online resources on catholicbishops.ie which offer suggestions for fasting, prayer and charity – the three pillars of the Lenten season – and support to observe Lent at home. Our Lenten digital initiative seeks to assist our spiritual preparation for the joy and hope of the Easter season.”

The #LivingLent initiative offers short daily suggestions on Twitter and Instagram. These include prayer and Scripture reading suggestions; opportunities for penance and fasting in our daily lives, such as to refrain from gossip; fast from negativity online; give up certain foods; availing of the Sacrament of Reconciliation/Confession; suggestions for charitable acts like donating to Trócaire and other charities; and donating your time by helping your own family, school, parish. Hashtag #LivingLent can be used and shared to help put themes of prayer, fasting and charity into practice during this Lenten season.

The Fast Life - A Reflection

- Fast from judging others;
- Feast on Christ dwelling in them.
- Fast from fear of illness;
- Feast on the healing power of God.
- Fast from words that pollute;
- Feast on speech that purifies.
- Fast from discontent;
- Feast on gratitude.
- Fast from anger;
- Feast on patience.
- Fast from pessimism;
- Feast on hope.
- Fast from negatives;
- Feast on encouragement.
- Fast from bitterness;
- Feast on forgiveness.
- Fast from self-concern;
- Feast on compassion.
- Fast from suspicion;
- Feast on truth.
- Fast from gossip;
- Feast on purposeful silence.
- Fast from problems that overwhelm;
- Feast on prayer that sustains.
- Fast from anxiety;



TRÓCAIRE boxes and envelopes available in the Church

SeniorLine is open every day of the year including Christmas and New Year from 10am to 10pm Freefone 1800 80 45 91

Prayer for the Lenten Journey

Lord, be with me during my Lenten journey. Let me be honest with myself, let me see everything that is wrong with my soul and my heart and admit my shortcomings and sins. Lord, show me what I should change in my life and please fill my heart with patience, gratitude, and peace. Please teach me to accept others and show my love to them.

Heavenly Father, please give me the strength to keep my promises and to get closer to you through prayers and good works. In the name of Jesus. Amen.

Diocese of Meath Vocations

Jesus said, “And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself.” (Jn 12:32). Is the Lord drawing you to Him in a call to the Priesthood?

Please join us for an hour of Adoration and reflection on the call of Jesus who wants to lift you to Himself on Thursday 4th March @ 7pm by Livestream on the -

‘*Diocese of Meath Vocations*’ Facebook Page.