



ASHBOURNE DONAGHMORE PARISH NEWSLETTER

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The Parish Office is open to the public on
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All Mass bookings & enquiries should be
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Parish Secretary Mary Mullen

“The command addressed by the
 Apostles -
 Go and proclaim the Good News
 - is addressed, even though in
 different ways,
 to all Christians”.

Ev. Nunt. 13



Mass Times and Intentions

Saturday 23rd	7pm	<u>Anniversaries Occuring Mass</u> Austin & Charlotte McGuire & Family May McCabe Margaret Molloy & parents Margaret & Richard Molloy Larry Dunne
Sunday 24th	9am	Pro Populo Mass
Donaghmore	10am	Matthew, Maura & Christy Lambe
	10.45am	Pat Frawley (Months Mind) Patricia Bird (1st Anniversary)
	12.30pm	Joe Curran
Monday 25th	10am	Camila Tunney Elsie Morgan Gerard McGrath
Tuesday 26th	10am	Donald Banon
Wednesday 27th	10am	Margaret Mintern
Thursday 28th	10am	Pat O'Hara
Friday 29th	10am	Special Intention
Saturday 30th	7pm	Bernard, Peg & Thomas Boland Robert J. Galway Jim Humphries Hugh Gallagher Fionnula & John O'Driscoll Christine & Hugh McAree Amy, JJ & Trudy Gallagher
Sunday 31st	9am	Bernard, Peg, Thomas & Ann Boland
Donaghmore	10am	Andrea, Gerard & Christian Hoste
	10.45am	Joseph Finglas (Months Mind)
	12.30pm	Pro Populo Mass

Today is Mission Sunday. It is a day too when we reflect on the mission we all have of building God's kingdom on earth. It is a day when we support the less well off churches in the developing world by prayer and finance. A second collection takes place after communion at masses today and this goes towards the foreign missions and the work of Propaganda Fide in the developing world. The regular collection remains for the day- to- day support of Ashbourne-Donaghmore Parish. As ever you are asked to be generous as you can. Thank you.

Universal Synod



A fortnight ago Pope Francis called the church across the world to embark on a synodal process. 'Synodal' comes from a Greek word meaning 'walking together'. Over the next two years, all Catholics across the world are invited to walk together in a process of 'encounter, listening and discernment'. Last Sunday, Bishop Tom invited all of us in the Diocese of Meath to embark on this journey together and to participate actively in this process so that we can discern together what it is that God is asking of the church at this time. Part of our diocesan plan is for every parish to form a vibrant pastoral council to help communicate and discern the will of each parish. See www.catholicbishops.ie/synod to learn more about the synodal pathway for the church in Ireland. See www.synod.va to learn more about the worldwide synod.



Eucharistic Adoration

Ashbourne Church every Thursday 10.30am-8pm

Child Safeguarding in Our Parish

At this time Fr. Michael and Fr. Ciarán are doing their annual child safeguard training. As priests they are mandated persons in our parish and must watch out for and report any incidents of concern regarding children. In the coming weeks our parish safeguarding representatives will also do training as part of good parish practise. We thank our parishioners who voluntarily help with this important role. The most recent safeguarding newsletter from the diocese of Meath is now on display on our parish noticeboards.

Meeting for Parents attending Catholic Schools

A meeting for all parents/guardians intending to register a child for holy communion will take place in Ashbourne Church at 8pm on Monday evening, November 1st. At this meeting Fr. Ciarán our priests will outline what is involved in the parish and home preparation for the sacrament. Our three catholic primary schools in Ashbourne work with the parish and family home and all three are co responsible in preparing children for the sacraments.

After School Sacramental Classes

A meeting for parents/guardians enrolled on the after school programme will take place in Ashbourne Church on Thursday evening November 4th at 8pm. The after school classes are now completely full and closed for registration until May of next year. The classes take place every Tuesday and Wednesday in the parish hall. We thank the teachers for the work that they do to support the enrolled children and parents in preparing their children for the sacraments of first confession, communion and confirmation in 2022.

Living with Covid - 19 months Since it All Started

We ask parishioners to

- Continue to wear masks at all times when visiting our parish churches.
- Please keep a distance from other parishioners in the seat as much as possible as some people may still be anxious.
- Sanitise on the way in and out.
- Follow the directions of the stewards.
- Receive Holy Communion on the hand.
- Dress appropriately as doors are left open in between Sunday masses.

Parish of Ashbourne/Donaghmore

Altar List of the Dead

Name _____
Address _____
Please return your list as soon as possible.

List of the Dead Envelopes

Next Sunday our parish will begin to collect the list of the dead envelopes.

Volunteering Sunday

At masses next Sunday Fr. Michael and Fr. Ciarán will speak about the need for extra volunteers in different parish ministries to keep our faith community strong and vibrant as we come out of covid.

Congratulations and best wishes to Ruth Casey who retires this weekend after 25 years as secretary in St. Mary's school.



Best Wishes to Children on Mid Term Break

We hope children, parents and staff enjoy the October mid-term break and everyone enjoys the Bank Holiday Monday.

Return of the 11am Sunday Mass

The 10.45am Sunday Mass will return to its normal scheduling from Sunday November 7th. This means our Sunday mass times in Ashbourne Church will be 9am, 11am and 12.30pm. Donaghmore faith community continue to meet at 10am each Sunday morning.



All Soul's and All Saint's Mass Schedule

Next Monday week, November 1st, begins a month when Catholics reflect on death, eternity and the final things of life. There are two masses on the first day of the month, All Saint's Day, at 10am and 7pm. On the feast of All Soul's on Tuesday mass is at 10am and offered for all those on the parish list of the dead.

November Remembrance Mass

The Annual Remembrance Mass for parishioners whose funeral mass took place in Ashbourne-Donaghmore Parish will take place on Saturday evening November 20th at 7pm in Ashbourne Church. We thank the Bethany Group who are helping our priests to organise the mass. Please keep the date in the diary and let people recently bereaved know they are welcome to the mass.

November Baptism Schedule



From the first Saturday in November baptisms will take place at 2.30pm every Saturday afternoon. Parents with a child for baptism bring their child to Sunday mass and introduce themselves after mass to one of our priests and on asking for the sacrament they receive a parish baptism request form. This is completed by the parents after watching the parish video on baptism and once it is returned to the parish office arrangements are made for the celebration of the sacrament. Restrictions on the numbers attending a baptism are lifted in our parish from the beginning of November.

Finance Matters

The next meeting of the parish finance committee will take place on Wednesday evening November 3rd. It will take place at 7pm in the Old National School. Fr. Michael hopes to review the role of a finance committee, the 2020 Income and Expenditure report published last week, discuss the 2022 budget for music ministry and possible future capital projects. All committee members are asked to read over the briefing documents issued in recent days by email.

This Sunday the basket collection is reintroduced at the Sunday mass in Donaghmore Church. The offertory collection goes towards the day to day running of our parish. We thank the parishioners who are helping their our priests to manage the gradual return to our liturgical and pastoral practices.

We publish today the three weekly collection figures

Ashbourne –Donaghmore Plate €1075.00

Shrines €1075.00

Development Fund €985.00

We thank all those who contribute, collect and count our finances

Welcome to a New Parish Member

Jamie Patrick Dennehy, The Briars

Remember those who have died

Jenny Finglas (nee O'Neill), Milltown and Kildalkey

Maureen Brennan, Kells

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