

ASHBOURNE DONAGHMORE PARISH NEWSLETTER

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Priests of the Parish

Fr. Michael Kilmartin, P.P.
[currently on sabbatical leave]

Fr. Ciarán Clarke, C.C.
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Parish Office - Public Opening Times

**Tuesday - Friday
9.30am - 12pm**

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Seventeenth Sunday
Ordinary Time
24th July 2022



We are creatures who are not our own beginning or last end. Christ is glorified by what we ask the Father in his name. Because God's love for us we can ask for anything.

**WORLD DAY FOR
GRANDPARENTS AND
THE ELDERLY
SUNDAY 24 JULY 2022**



THEME: 'IN OLD AGE THEY WILL STILL BEAR FRUIT (PS 92:15)

Mass Times and Intentions

Saturday 23rd	7pm	Julie & Eugene Curran Bernard & Kathleen Carragher
Sunday 24th	9am	Hannah Kelly
Donaghmore	10am	May Whyte
	11am	Jimmy Molloy, Brookville, (Months Mind) Phyllis Faherty, Milltown, (1st Anniversary) Terry Cassidy, The Bailie (1st Anniversary)
	12.30pm	Bridget Traynor
Monday 25th	10am	Martin Lowry
Tuesday 26th	10am	Una Heduan
Wednesday 27th	10am	People of the Parish
Thursday 28th	10am	Joseph Sheridan
Friday 29th	10am	Kathleen Donnelly
Saturday 30th	7pm	Margaret Corduff, Brookville (Months Mind) Shane Hanley, Patrick O'Sullivan Tom O'Keefe, Michael Heavy William & Olga Ward Tony & Mairéad Coffey Peter & Kathleen Moss
Sunday 31st	9am	John & Harry Morris
Donaghmore	10am	People of the Parish
	11am	Pat Keane, Bourne View, (1st Anniversary)
	12.30pm	Maureen O'Farrell

World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly Sunday 24th July 2022 Message from Pope Francis



Many people are afraid of old age. They consider it a sort of disease with which any contact is best avoided. The elderly, they think, are none of their concern and should be set apart, perhaps in homes or places where they can be

cared for, lest we have to deal with their problems. This is the mindset of the "throw-away culture", which leads us to think that we are somehow different from the poor and vulnerable in our midst, untouched by their frailties and separated from "them" and their troubles. The Scriptures see things differently. A long life – so the Bible teaches – is a blessing, and the elderly are not outcasts to be shunned but living signs of the goodness of God who bestows life in abundance. Blessed is the house where an older person lives! Blessed is the family that honours the elderly! Old age is not a time of life easily understood even by those of us who are already experiencing it. Even though it eventually comes with the passage of time, no one prepares us for old age, and at times it seems to take us by surprise. The more developed societies expend large sums on this stage of life without really helping people to understand and appreciate it; they offer healthcare plans to the elderly but not plans for living this age to the full. This makes it hard to look to the future and discern what direction to take. On the one hand, we are tempted to ward off old age by hiding our wrinkles and pretending to be forever young, while on the other, we imagine that the only thing we can do is bide our time, thinking glumly that we cannot "still bring forth fruit".



Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Thursday 10.30am to 8pm

Confessions this Saturday 5pm to 6pm

World Day for Grandparents & the Elderly Prayer

I give thanks to you, Lord,
For the blessing of a long life
For, to those who take refuge in You,
Grant always to bear fruit.

Forgive, O Lord,
Resignation and disillusionment,
But forsake me not

When my strength declines.
Teach me to look with hope
To the future you give me,
To the mission you entrust to me
And to sing your praises without end.

Make me a tender craftsman
Of Your revolution,
To guard with love my grandchildren
And all the little ones who seek shelter in You.
Protect, O Lord, Pope Francis
And grant Thy Church
To deliver the world from loneliness.
Direct our steps in the way of peace.
Amen.

Wedding Congratulations

Sharon Bruton & Alan Kelly
who were married
Friday 15th July 2022
Ashbourne Church



Parish Sacramental Programme



For all those seeking places for the 2022-2023 Parish Sacramental Programme: Year 1 or Year 2 of First Confession, First Holy Communion or Confirmation. Please ensure that you have completed the Enrolment Forms and returned them to the Parish Office.

Coeliac or Low Gluten Hosts

Low gluten host are now available during Communion time from both the Priest and Eucharistic Ministers as the parish has now purchased more of these specially designed Pyx so that they can be attached to the Large Ciboria. This places greater emphasise the oneness of all God's people around the Eucharist. This means that if you are gluten intolerant please indicate that you need to receive this host when you come forward for Holy Communion.



Baptisms

Baptisms take place every Saturday at 2.30pm in Ashbourne Church



Hospitality in Parish Hall

Everyone welcome to enjoy Tea/Coffee, refreshments each Sunday after 11am Mass in the Parish Hall. This offers all of us opportunities to build community and make new friends.



Community Rosary

The Rosary will be recited this Wednesday, 27th July at 7.30pm in Rath Lodge



Croagh Patrick Reek Sunday Pilgrimage 2022

The annual Reek Sunday Pilgrimage will take place next Sunday, 31st July at Croagh Patrick, Co. Mayo. Confessions on the summit from 7.30am to 2pm and Mass will also be celebrated hourly on the summit from 8am to 2pm.



Meath Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock

Sunday, August 14th, 2022



Schedule of Ceremonies

- 2.30pm: Anointing of the Sick at Knock Basilica
- 3.00pm: Concelebrated Mass at Knock Basilica followed by Benediction and Rosary Procession

Explore Knock Shrine:

- Exposition: daily in Blessed Sacrament Chapel
- Self-Guided Audio Tours available
- 'The Ark' Children's Club available in The HUB
- Guided Prayer Sessions in the Prayer Centre
- 100 acres of landscaped gardens to explore
- Resources to enrich and inspire at Knock Bookshop

Highlights include:

- VISIT THE APPARITION CHAPEL
- SEE THE APPARITION MOSAIC
- VISIT KNOCK MUSEUM (Admission Free)

This Pilgrimage to Knock will be led by Bishop Thomas Deenihan and will be accompanied by the Kilbeg Parish Choir and Friends.

Youth Ministry Gap Year Opportunity

The Diocese of Lancaster are looking for team members to join their team for the coming year at their retreat centre in the English Lake District. Applicants must be 18+ and interesting in developing their faith. The role involves working with young people on retreats and occasionally in schools and parishes. Pocket money, accommodation, meals and amenities are provided. If you are interested please Contact jack@castleriggmanor.co.uk or check out the website for more information: castleriggmanor.com

Bethany Bereavement Support Group

This group is a parish-based ministry whose members provide caring support for people who wish to talk about the death of a loved one. Their next meeting will take place in the Parish Hall on Tuesday 16th August from 7pm-8pm and they will continue to meet on the third Tuesday of each month. If you, or someone you know is struggling with bereavement, the group are available to offer confidential support. Telephone at 087 2715222.



Last Sunday's Collection Total Amounts



Plate €1345.00

Shrines €910.00

Development Fund €915.00

Gratitude is expressed to all those who support our parish.

We pray for all those who died recently

David O'Rourke, Castle Park

Rest in Peace