



# 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.**  
Administrator pro tem

**Fr. Samuel Osuman, C.C.**

**Parish Secretary - Mary Mullen**

**Parish Office - Public Opening Times**

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**Twenty-First Sunday  
Ordinary Time  
21st August 2022**



Salvation does not belong to any special race or culture but to those who accept Christ.

It is the desire of God that all should be saved.

Some who are regarded as last will be saved while the first called may be last.

## Mass Times and Intentions

Saturday 20th	7pm	James Kelly, Brigid Keating, Paddy Stritch, Francis Corrigan, Gráinne Redmond, William, Theresa, Peggy & Eithne Tierney, James, Ellen & Gerard McGrath, James & Mary Rogers.
Sunday 21st	9am	Nancy McDermott
Donaghmore	10am	People of the Parish
	11am	Jason Ellis, Milltown (1st Anniversary) & his father Jack Ellis
	12.30pm	Lisa Doherty
Monday 22nd	10am	Mary Kelly
Tuesday 23rd	10am	John, Nora & Donal Downey
Wednesday 24th	10am	Kay & Jim Curry
Thursday 25th	10am	Catherine Conroy & James & Kathleen Connealy
Friday 26th	10am	Eddie, Kathleen Caffrey Deceased of Caffrey & Lynch Families
Saturday 27th	7pm	Mary Kelly, Ashbourne (Months Mind) Mary & Jack Hickey Barney Kearns, Vera Grey Elizabeth & Michael Dunphy Maureen Robinson, Sean Farrell Ellen & deceased of Newmann Families
Sunday 28th	9am	Brigid & John Garvey Deceased of Garvey & Boylan Families
Donaghmore	10am	Jim Lanigan
	11am	People of the Parish
	12.30pm	Daniel Kiernan

## Synod Update

Recently the Irish Bishops' Conference published the National Synthesis of the Synodal Process on [www.synod.ie](http://www.synod.ie). The Synodal Process has been conducted across the Church in Ireland from Autumn 2021. The publication of the National Synthesis is the fruit of a wide-ranging process of listening and consultation drawing on the syntheses produced by the 26 dioceses in Ireland, as well as those submitted by religious congregations and other interested groups. The National Synthesis will be forwarded to Rome as part of the worldwide synodal process of listening and discernment launched by Pope Francis. The Bishops are pleased to publish the National Synthesis document prepared by the Steering Committee of lay faithful, religious, priests and bishops which was appointed by our Conference to lead us along the synodal journey. In publishing the National Synthesis document, the Irish Bishops' Conference invites the whole People of God in this country to study its findings carefully and prayerfully. They are most grateful to our the Synodal Steering Committee and Task Group and to all who participated in the Synodal Process at parish, diocesan and national levels. We commend our National Synthesis document to the next phase of the synodal journey of the universal Church as it moves towards the meeting of the Synod of Bishops in Rome in October 2023.



Synod  
2021  
2023

## Baptisms

Baptisms take place every Saturday at 2.30pm in Ashbourne Church

## Community Rosary

Rosary Wednesday, 24th August at 7.30pm in Garden City beside school



## Hospitality in Parish Hall

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



Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Thursday 10.30am to 8pm

Confessions this Saturday 5pm to 6pm



### Wedding Congratulations

Ann Marie Power & Damien Kelly  
who were married Friday 12th August  
in Ashbourne Church

Anita Rafferty & Peter Kane  
who were married Saturday 13th August  
in Donaghmore Church

### The Sacrament of the Sick and Holy Anointing

The Sacrament of the Sick and Holy Anointing will take place on Friday 26th August during 10am Mass. This will give people the opportunity to receive this Sacrament of Healing and to remember in prayer all those who are sick and those in need of physical or spiritual healing.



### 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 emphasis 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.



### 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.



### 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 20th September 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 087 2715222.



### Ashbourne Church and Carpark Opening Times

Ashbourne Church and Carpark is open from 9am to 8pm each day (with earlier opening time on Sunday for the 9am Mass). We ask people to leave the wheelchair designated spaces in front of the church for those who require easier access parking.



### Peter McVerry Trust Wexford Cycle 2022

The annual Peter McVerry Trust Wexford Cycle will take place on Saturday 17th September. The cycle raises vital funds for the housing and homeless charity founded by Fr Peter McVerry. The event is open to all abilities and is a great day out. To find out more visit [www.pmvtrust.ie/cycle](http://www.pmvtrust.ie/cycle) or Telephone 01 823 0776.



### Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes

The Meath Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes will take place this year from September 12th to 17th. The pilgrimage is organised by Joe Walsh Tours, 69 O'Connell Street. For details contact them by Telephone 01 2410800. Lourdes is one of the most famous sites in the world dedicated to Mary, the Mother of God. Our Lady appeared to Bernadette Soubirous in 1858 and ever since pilgrims have gone to this shrine to pray for healing and spiritual strength. For just short of 100 years the bishop of our diocese has led a pilgrimage to Lourdes. After two years of no visitation of international visitors - Lourdes is now open again for pilgrims.



### Pilgrimage to Medjugorje

A pilgrimage to Medjugorje will take place from 29th October to 4th November. The pilgrimage is organised by Marian Pilgrimages with Group Leader Eleanor Healy and Spiritual Director Fr Ciarán Clarke. Medjugorje has been an Oasis of Peace for over 40 years. It continues to give peace and encouragement to this day. The cost of the pilgrimage is €775 per person inclusive half board in superb private homes. For more information, please contact Eleanor at 087 2351294 or Margaret at 086 8841655.



### Refurbishment of Old National School & Presbytery

Planning permission has been granted by Meath County Council for a refurbishment of the Old National School and the Presbytery on Ashbourne Church grounds. The works to the Old National School will allow it to become a residence for the parish priest, while the Presbytery will remain the residence for the curate. The footprint of both buildings will largely stay the same with proposed works including an insulation and electrical upgrade to both buildings. The next stage is get detailed architectural designs completed for both buildings.



### Last Sunday's Collection Total Amounts



Plate €1240.00  
Shrines €745.00  
Development Fund €710.00

Gratitude is expressed to all those who support our parish.

### We pray for all those who died recently

Joan O'Reilly, Newtown, The Ward  
Declan Brennan, Killeglad Park  
Dina Burke, Parteen, Clare

