



# ASHBOURNE DONAGHMORE PARISH NEWSLETTER

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

## 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**

Monday - Thursday 9am - 12.30pm

Closed Friday

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**Twenty-Fourth Sunday  
Ordinary Time  
11th September 2022**



Jesus gives three parables about the question of those who have wandered away and were lost and how the communities must rejoice when they return and are found.

### Mass Times and Intentions

Saturday 10th	7pm	Angelo O'Rourke, Dublin, (Months Mind), Rita McMullen, Ashbourne, (1st Anniversary), Bill Bermingham, Lilly Ronan, Odhrán O'Donnell, Paul Kelly, Mary Patrick & John Gibney, Tadhg & Lila Reidy, Mary O'Brien Gibney.
Sunday 11th	9am	People of the Parish
Donaghmore	10am	People of the Parish
	11am	Joseph Donnelly
	12.30pm	Sarah Doherty
Monday 12th	10am	Ronnie & Betty Quigley
Tuesday 13th	10am	Pearse Ward
Wednesday 14th	10am	Breda & Ted Cantwell
Thursday 15th	10am	Thomas Ryan, Robertstown, (1st Anniversary)
Friday 16th	10am	Julie Finnegan
Saturday 17th	7pm	Frank King, Listowel, (1st Anniversary), Deceased members of the King Family, Marie McCarthy, Bernadette Andrews, Samantha Quinn.
Sunday 18th	9am	Nancy Roe & Kevin Kenny
Donaghmore	10am	Ollie Kavanagh, Killsallaghan (Months Mind)
	11am	Kay McKendrick, Scotland (1st Anniversary)
	12.30pm	Paul Battersby

### Meath Samuel Group

This is a new initiative for young people open to listening to the Word of God and putting it into action in their lives. It is an eight month Formation Program for Young Adults (Ages 18-40). Do you want to learn how to hear the voice of God? The Samuel Group meets once a month over a period of eight months to provide formation that will help ignite your heart with a passion for listening to and serving the Lord. It will help you to know God more intimately and understand the ways He speaks to you in the depths of your heart through self-knowledge, inner healing, interior freedom and personal prayer. It will lay the foundation for living a discerning life in the day to day and in the bigger decisions of life. Each participant must commit to the following: [1] Attend each Samuel Group Formation Sunday: 11 Sept, 9 Oct, 13 Nov, 11 Dec, 15 Jan, 12 Feb, 12 Mar, 16 Apr. It takes place from 3-8pm, this includes Sunday Mass and Holy Hour, and it is located in St. Mary's Parish, Navan, Co. Meath. [2] Meet monthly with a Spiritual Director (we can help you find one). [3] Pray daily. This group is led by the Franciscan Sisters of the Renewal.

To register for the group, please go to:  
[www.franciscansisterscf.com/st-anthony](http://www.franciscansisterscf.com/st-anthony)



### Baptisms

Baptisms take place every Saturday at 2.30pm in Ashbourne Church



### Hospitality in Parish Hall

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



### Community Rosary

Rosary this Wednesday 14th September at 7.30pm in Milltown Meadows



### 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 7-8pm. They can be contacted by Telephone 087 2715222.



Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Thursday 10.30am to 8pm



Confessions this Saturday 5pm to 6pm

## St Finnian's Day at Clonard

Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> September: 10.30am – 4pm  
St Finnian's Church, Clonard, Co. Meath, A83 AR26.

Inspirational Talks  
Pilgrim Walk to site of St Finnian monastery  
Music and Song



### Speakers

Dr Pdraig O'Riain, Professor Emeritus UCC  
Dr Holger C. Lonze, Dealbhoir/Sculptor.

### Music

Maire Ni Dhuibhir

## Parish Sacramental Programme

Thank you to all those who enrolled for the 2022-2023 Sacramental Programme. Classes will resume at the end of September and parents will be notified by email shortly. All outstanding forms must be returned to the parish office as soon as possible.



## 2023 Confirmation & First Holy Communion



All Parents/Guardians whose children are due to receive the



Sacraments of Confirmation and First Holy Communion in 2023 are invited to attend a Meeting on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> September 2022 at 8pm in Ashbourne Church. Information will be provided for the preparations involved with a list of the dates of the Children's Church Catechesis and Preparation Masses. The dates and times for the 2023 Sacraments and the Request Forms for will also be distributed at the meeting.

## Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes

The Diocesan Pilgrimage will travel to Lourdes this Monday 12<sup>th</sup> September led by Bishop Deenihan. It is special to be able to return to Lourdes after an absence of two years due to travel restrictions. It is a time to remember all who have suffered, those who have died during this pandemic. A time to remember the health care workers and those who helped and cared for us during those difficult days. In Lourdes our Blessed Lady appeared to St. Bernadette eighteen times and she gave this message: *"Go and tell the priests to build a chapel here and that people should come in procession"*. It is in answer to this request of Our Lady that pilgrims go to Lourdes. It is a place of grace and healing and nobody returns home without receiving something special. During the Pilgrimage there will be prayers and Masses offered for the people of the diocese. It is an opportunity to unite in prayer and a time of blessing. The Opening Mass for the Pilgrimage will be celebrated at the Grotto on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> September at 7.30am (Irish Time) and will be available on the Lourdes Shrine Webcam.



## Pilgrimage to Medjugorje

A pilgrimage to Medjugorje will take place from 29<sup>th</sup> October to 4<sup>th</sup> 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.



## March For Life



The March For Life in Dublin will take place this Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> September. The March will commence at the University Church side of St. Stephens Green, Dublin at 2.30pm. This event will highlight the need for Government support of women in unplanned pregnancies and their babies and call on the Government to address the spiralling abortion rates in recent years. The event will be family friendly and placards will be available on the day. For information see: [www.marchforlife.ie](http://www.marchforlife.ie)

## When it is darkest - Understanding Suicide Workshop

This workshop takes place on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> September 2022 in Dromantine Retreat & Conference Centre, Newry, Co. Down. Suicide can affect any one of us and despite the scale of devastation for individuals, family and friends, it is still poorly understood. This workshop will untangle the complex reasons behind suicide and dispel unhelpful myths. It will also provide compassionate advice on how best to help someone vulnerable and support those struggling through the tragedy of suicide to find strength in the darkest of places. Cost is €45. Everyone welcome. Workshop Facilitator will be Fr Hugh Lagan SMA [priest with the Society of African Missions and a chartered clinical psychologist. He has led retreats, workshops and trainings internationally on psychological and spiritual well-being, positive change, trauma, mental health and resilience]. Please contact Jacinta or Louisa to reserve your place by Telephone 048 30821964 or Email: [admin@dromantineconference.com](mailto:admin@dromantineconference.com)



## Last Sunday's Collection Total Amounts



Plate €1310.00  
Shrines €1160.00  
Development Fund €680.00

Gratitude is expressed to all those who support our parish.

## We pray for all those who died recently

Claire Finnegan, Steeplechase Court, Ratoath

Andrew Ryan, Tudor Grove

