



ASHBOURNE DONAGHMORE PARISH NEWSLETTER

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Corpus Christi



'I am the living bread which has come down from heaven'

Mass Intentions

Saturday 10th <i>Shared Mass Intentions</i>	7pm	Mass for Deceased in St. Declan's Cemetery followed by Blessing of the Graves at 8pm
Sunday 11th	9am	Maura Kelly, Baltrasna, (1st Anniversary)
Donaghmore	10am	Roger Barry
	11am	Mary Battersby, Milltown Road, (Months Mind)
	12.30pm	Dermot Browne, Huntsgrove, (Months Mind)
Monday 12th	10am	John D. Curtin
Tuesday 13th	10am	Nora Loftus & Lilly Simon
Wednesday 14th	10am	Ned & Deceased of The Nulty Family
Thursday 15th	10am	Eileen & Deceased O'Sullivan Family
Friday 16th	10am	Martin Finn
Saturday 17th <i>Shared Mass Intentions</i>	7pm	Ronnie O'Connor, Regents Hall, (Months Mind) Seán Byrne, James Malone, Rita Stack, Mary & Dan Landers, Laurence Kearney, Thomas Cotter, Patrick & Ann McDonald.
Sunday 18th	9am	McLoughlin & Tierney Families
Donaghmore	10am	Mortimer & Catherine O'Sullivan & Deceased members of the Family
Hospitality in the Parish Centre Afterwards	11am	Dinny Farrell, Milltown Estate, (Months Mind)
	12.30m	Marie McManus & Michael Sheedy

St. Declan's Cemetery Mass and Devotions

St. Declan's Cemetery Mass takes place this Saturday evening with Mass at 7pm offered in Ashbourne Church followed by the Blessing of the Graves at 8pm.

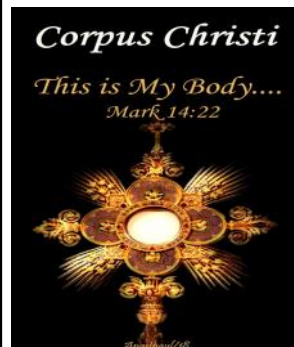
We pray for the following parishioners interred in Ashbourne Cemetery since last year's devotions.

David O'Rourke, Daragh Birmingham, Declan Brennan, Philomena O'Connor, Andy Ryan, Mary Foran, Kathleen Tubbritt, Darren Ellis, Maeve Rochford, Marita Ryan, Terry Brennan, George Wilton, Cecelia Doyle and Maureen Enright. It is great to see the tremendous effort of so many in getting their graves ready for the annual pattern days. The parish is grateful to all those who help us maintain our places of interment for the deceased. We thank Paul Beggy and all in Meath County Council for their help and assistance. Thank you to all who participated in the devotions last weekend in our parish. It was a lovely prayerful experience.

Lord Jesus Christ, by your own three days in the tomb, you hallowed the graves of all who believe in you and so made the grave a sign of hope that promises resurrection even as it claims our mortal bodies.



Feast of Corpus Christi



This Sunday, June 11th, we celebrate the feast of Corpus Christi. We reflect on the great sacrament of the Eucharist and the Mass as 'the summit and source of the Christian life'. From 5 to 6pm on Sunday afternoon there is Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament in Ashbourne Church.

O Sacrament Most Holy, O Sacrament Divine, all praise and all thanksgiving be every moment thine.



Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament on Thursday 10.30am to 8pm / Confessions on Saturday next 5 to 6pm / Bethany Bereavement Support 087 2715222/ Public Rosary organised by the Legion of Mary at gap in Alderbrook Wednesday evening. at 7.30pm.



Parish Survey 2023



The survey contained two sections. The first section dealt with Pastoral Concerns and the second section with Liturgical Concerns. Under Pastoral Concerns the survey asked for volunteers to help with music at the 12:30 Mass and with the improvement of the online

presence of the parish. Useful suggestions were offered on both of these issues. Suggestions were also given regarding how better to support adults, parents, children, and immigrants in passing on the gift of faith. The new Parish Pastoral Assembly will be shortly choosing a mission statement and four tasks that it will work on during its four year term. Next week more results will be communicated. The priests and pastoral council members are grateful to everyone who took part in the survey.

Fr. Ciarán's Last Month With Us

Fr. Ciarán's last Sunday Mass will be celebrated at 11am on Sunday June 25th. Afterwards there will be refreshments in the Parish Centre. We thank all those helping to organise the Mass of Thanksgiving and the cup of tea afterwards. Please save the date and let other people know.



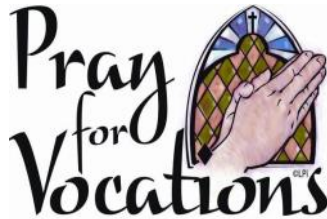
Pioneer Meeting



Are you a Pioneer? The local temperance group will meet on Wednesday morning in the Parish Centre at 10.30am. All are welcome.

Vocations in the Diocese of Meath

Fr Tony Gonoude, Vocations Director for the Diocese of Meath, will preach for the Solemnity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus in the Church of the Sacred Heart, Laytown, Co Meath, at the 7pm Mass on Friday 16th June.



Live from Facebook Page: [DioceseOfMeathVocations](https://www.facebook.com/DioceseOfMeathVocations)

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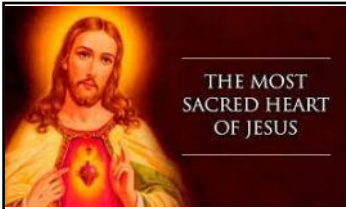
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Prayer for those doing exams at this time.



Friday next is the Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Mass in our parish for the feast is at 10am. We remember that Jesus has revealed that his message is the primacy of God's love. We should never underestimate the power of God's love to change our hearts.

Donating Blood

As we celebrate the Feast of the Body and Blood of Jesus we encourage those who are able to give blood at their local blood bank. At the moment the Blood Transfusion Board is asking for people to give to those in need. For more information check out www.giveblood.ie



Minister's Rota's Now Available



New rota's for Ministers of the Eucharist and Readers in Ashbourne Church are now available. A copy of each of the four rota's is also on display on our Church Noticeboard. The faith community is grateful to all our parishioners who volunteer as Ministers at the Altar and Ambo. Míle Buíochas.

Parish Finance Meeting

A Meeting of the Parish Finance Committee will take place on Tuesday evening, June 20th at 6pm in the Parish Centre. Among the issues on the agenda is the ongoing works on the presbytery and necessary works needed on our two churches.



Baptisms



Congratulations to the following children who were baptised on Saturday last. Lexi McCann, Churchfields, Noah Lawless, Brookville, and Ray Hughes, Crestwood. We wish these families every blessing.

Wedding Congratulations

Congratulations and best wishes to Rebekah Milner and Andrew Trotter who were married yesterday in Donaghmore.



Pope Francis on Social Media Etiquette



Pope Francis on the feast of St. Francis de Sales, patron saint of journalists, last week talked about the positives and negatives of social media. He remarked that social networks on the one hand, "help us to better connect, rediscover, and assist one another, but on the other hand, "lend themselves to the manipulation of personal data, aimed at obtaining political or economic advantages, without due respect for the person and his or her rights." The Pope also noted that, statistics show that among young people one in four is involved in episodes of cyberbullying.

Last Sunday's Collection Total Amounts: Plate €1475.00; Shrines €1000.00; Development Fund €690.00. Gratitude is expressed to all those who generously give to our parish and the building of our Lord's kingdom in Ashbourne.



We remember at this time Maggie Beggy, Milltown Estate, whose funeral took on place on Saturday.