



ABBEYFEALE PARISH

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All Saints

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Intentions for this weekend

6.30pm Delia & Tommy Nelligan and Mary Nelligan

Bill, Bridget & John Joe Collins, The Hill
John Griffin Main Street
Bridget & Martin McLoughlin

10am Billy Harnett, Dromtrasna Harnett
Peter O'Connell, Purt Anniv.

12noon Mossie McEnery, Dromtrasna Collins
James J & Margaret Collins
Mossie Collins
Michael & Peggy Tattan Killarney
Peter & Bernadette Tattan

Sunday is the Feast of All Saints

10am & 12noon

Monday The Feast of All Souls

Mass @ 7pm

Tues 10am Noirin Flynn Mountmahon Anniv.

Wed 10am Kathleen O'Connor, Mountmahon

Thurs 10am Maurice Griffin Anniv.

Fri 10am Purgatorial

No Mass on Saturday morning

6.30pm Kathleen (Liam) O'Connor

Bridie & Sean Leahy, Bogmount
Johnny Donovan died in NY recently
Nick & Eleanor Cotter, Upper Purt

10am Margaret & John O'Connell,
Meenkilly and their daughter Maureen Burke

12noon Johnny Lane, Kilconlea Upper
Johnny Flynn, Banard Anniv

Parish Collection Sunday 1st of November

Parishioners are welcome to drop in their *November Lists for the Dead* along with their *Mission Sunday* donation and any other offerings they may wish to give to the parish on this Sunday 1st of November. Collectors will be at the Blessed Sacrament church door between 2.00 and 4.00pm. The online donate facility is also available on the parish website. Your financial assistance helps us at this time of lockdown, and we are grateful for your continued.

Donate through the Parish Website

www.abbeyfealparish.ie

You can now make a donation to the parish, through the parish website. Click on to the parish website at www.abbeyfealeparish.ie and you will see a **Donate** button on the right hand side on the front page of the website. Just follow the instructions and you will be able to make a donation to the parish.

Exploring Eucharist Reflecting on phrases from the Mass.

This week we reflect on

'The Lord be with you, and also with you' - 'Dia dhuit'

We used to greet each other like this. Now it's only at Mass. But isn't it a beautiful way to be greeted? Feel yourself being spoken to with these words, *'The Lord be with you'* and feel it happening! The Lord is with me – I am safe, I need not be anxious or afraid, I can continue – I can make a difference.

And also with you!

I make time and space to be amazed that the Lord is with you- that you are an epiphany of divine beauty- and I salute you.

(From *Exploring Eucharist* by Donal Harrington)

Deaths

We offer our sympathy to the family of Mary Collins, Kilconlea Upper whose funeral took place on Saturday. May she rest in peace.

To the family of Dan O'Riordan, Dromtrasna Collins whose funeral will take place on Sunday at 12noon Mass. May he rest in peace.

November Holy Souls

We want to assure you that your loved ones will be remembered at all weekend Masses on Nov 1st (Feast of All Saints) and Nov 2nd (All Souls Day). Your loved ones are also be remembered and prayed for at every Mass during the month of November and at Mass on each First Friday during the year.

Service of Remembrance

While we cannot gather for our annual Cemetery Sunday on November 1st, there will be a special **Service of Remembrance** held in the parish church at 3.00pm which will be broadcast live on the Church Services TV System and on West Limerick Radio 102FM. During the ceremony memorial candles you have at home will be blessed which you may wish to take to your family grave later in the week or continued to light it at home during the month of the Holy souls

A Word from Pope Francis

“Church tradition has always urged prayer for the dead, in particular by offering the celebration of the Eucharist for them: it is the best spiritual help that we can give to their souls, particularly to the most abandoned ones. The foundation of prayers of remembrance is found in the communion of the Mystical Body. Remembering the dead, caring for their tombs and prayers of suffrage are testimony to confident hope, rooted in the certainty that death does not have the last word on human destiny, as humanity is destined for a life without end, that has its root and its fulfillment in God.”

Pope Francis — Angelus, St. Peter's Square, Nov. 2, 2014

Bishops to dedicate November to Remembrance of the Dead

People invited to join in online on local diocesan and parish webcams

This Sunday 1 November, the eve of All Souls' Day, the bishops and priests of Ireland will lead a short service of prayer at 3.00pm to dedicate the month of November to 'Remembrance of the Dead and Prayer for the Bereaved'. Bishops invite the whole country to unite in this moment which will be followed by parish liturgies throughout the month of November, reaching out as much as possible to those who cannot be physically present.

The bishops said, “November is a time for remembering and praying for our loved ones who have gone before us and whose loss we feel. It is a time when we are particularly conscious of those in our parishes who are grieving and all those families who have lost loved ones in the past year. More than most years, this November will be especially poignant as we remember all those who have died during the Covid-19 pandemic.

“We mark this time of year in our parishes with events like the blessing of the graves, the celebration of remembrance services as well as commemorating All Saints' and All Souls' Day. As a result of the current Covid-19 restrictions, it will not be possible for us to gather together for these annual events.

We will still reach out in November, a month we traditionally pray for our dead, to offer spiritual support to the bereaved.”

Visit to Graveyard

We are unable this November to gather together to remember at the cemetery Prayer Service.

The following is a prayer you may wish to say as you make your own visit.

Visiting a Graveyard

May perpetual light shine upon
the faces of all who rest here.

May the lives they lived
unfold further in spirit.

May all their past travail
find ease in the kindness of clay.

May the remembering earth
mind every memory they brought.

May the rains from the heavens
fall gently upon them.

May the wildflowers and grasses
whisper their wishes into light.

May we reverence the village of
presence in the stillness of this silent field.

John O'Donohue.

Tree of Remembrance

The Tree of remembrance will be in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel for the month of the Holy Souls.

You are invited at your own convenience to place the names of your deceased relatives on it. Tags will be available beside the tree.



A special word of thanks to the committees who have taken great care of the graveyards over the year. There is no collection this year but there is an account in the credit union for donations.