



GOLDEN JUBILEE CELEBRATION 1968-2018.

On Saturday 16th of June the parish will celebrate the 50th anniversary of the opening of our parish Church with a special Mass of Thanksgiving celebrated by Bishop Brendan Leahy.

The Parish Pastoral Council is planning a community celebration and they extend an invitation to all parishioners to join us for this unique celebration.

We are asking parishioners who normally attend Mass on Sunday to consider coming to the Vigil Mass on Saturday 16th.

The Mass will be at **7.30p.m** to enable as many parishioners as is possible to attend if they so wish. It promises to be a great gathering of parishioners.

Refreshments will be served afterwards in a specially erected marquee in the church car park.

Mass intentions for this weekend

6.30pm Timothy & Bridget Harnett

9.15 Patrick & Vera O'Connell, Purl Anniv.

12noon Timothy T D O'Connor, Kilmanihan 1st
Jim Lane , Knocknalougha &
Michael and Hannah McElligott

Mon 7pm

Tues No 10am Mass

Tues 7pm Mass for Exam Students

Friday 10am Nell & Jack Gleeson, Killarney Rd.

Sat 11am

Intention for next weekend

6.30pm Ned Lyons, Coolanelig, Duagh

Sean Leahy, Meenahela Anniv.

Niall O'Mahony, Collins Park Anniv.

Catherine Lyons, Killarney Rd 3rd Anniv,

9.15am

12noon Danny & Tom Foley, The Hill Anniv.

Mon 11th 7pm Fr Padraig Keogh.

The Next Baptismal meeting will take place in Templeglantine sacristy on 12th June @ 8pm.

World Meeting of Families collection will take place on June 9th & 10th. At all Masses.

Invitation to everybody.

Jubilee Mass on 16th of June @ 7.30pm This promises to be a wonderful event in our parish.

Come to Mass that evening and celebrate Abbeyfeale rich heritage of faith and community. Invitation open to all families relatives and friends. Lets celebrate??

Ministers for next weekend June 10th A,B,C

Readers for next weekend June 10th Team 7

Prayer for Gods Support

May He support us all the day long, till the shadows lengthen and the evening comes, and the busy world is hushed, and the fever of life is over, and our work is done. Then, in His Mercy, may He find us safe lodging and a holy rest, and peace at last. Amen.

Exam Tree.

A tree is a **symbol of growth** and strength. A young **tree** starts out with shallow roots that strengthen and grow deeper over time. Branches start as small buds and stretch upwards, reaching for the sun and sky.

We have placed the names of every Junior and Leaving cert student who will be doing their exams in Coláiste Íde agus Iosef in the coming weeks. The colourful leaves and names on the tree represent the bright future these students have. We ask the parishioners to come to the exam tree, read the prayer for the students and please take a name of a student from the tree and remember them in your prayers during their exams.

“God wont give you more than you can take, he might let you bend, but he wont let you break”
prayer before an examination

Exam prayer

Dear Lord, as I take this exam, I thank you that my value Is not based on my performance, but on your great love for me.

Come into my heart so that we can walk through this time together. Help me, not only with this test, but the many tests of life that are sure to come my way.

As I take this exam, bring back to my mind everything I studied and be gracious with what I have overlooked.

Help me to remain focussed and clam, confident in the facts and in my ability, and firm in the knowledge that no matter what happens today you are there with me.

Amen source: Salesians Ireland.

Mass for Students sitting exams:

On Tuesday 5th of June Mass will be offered in the church for all students who are beginning their exams on Wednesday. Students and their families are welcome. Time 7.00p.m.



A Word from Pope Francis

“No one can be excluded from the mercy of God. The Church is the house where everyone is welcomed and no one is rejected”

Launch of Church Jubilee Publication

Fifty years ago this week, parishioners in Abbeyfeale were preparing for the opening of their new parish church. No doubt there was a lot of excitement in the air. For more than two years they had watched the construction of the building and had seen their new place of worship slowly develop into the beautiful church building that we have today. Over the past fifty years the Parish Church has been the venue for many significant personal, family and community occasions. There are many stories to share linked with this wonderful house of prayer. Much of the past fifty years is captured in a book especially compiled to mark the 50th anniversary of the opening of the church. The book contains many wonderful coloured photographs that show off the splendour of the Church, its stained glass windows and general embellishment.

The title of the publication is **Moladh go Deo Le Dia.** (Praise be to God forever). It will be launched next weekend at the 6.30p.m Vigil Mass and will be on sale afterwards. Price €10.

Prayer for Life

Prior to the recent referendum, a great movement of prayer for the protection of life and in particular the unborn, spread throughout Ireland. We are grateful for the many parishioners who joined in that prayer here in our own parish and for the volunteers who actively promoted the gift of human life throughout the community in the weeks leading up to the referendum. As Bishop Leahy said last week “the Church treasures life above all else and that extends to life in the womb. That’s a core value Christians promote. Ever before the referendum, it was a core value and it will remain so”. As a Church we continue to promote the sanctity of human life. On this bank holiday Monday parishioners who were part of that movement of prayer and all volunteers are invited to come together for an hour’s prayer and reflection in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel. Adoration will begin at 6.00p.m.

Corpus Christi Procession will take place after Mass to the Grotto. Rosary and Benediction will take place.



The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ; the Passover meal Jesus ate with his disciples the night before he died.

The preparation for an important meal is significant, with time and care being given to it. Jesus’ instructions were simple and ordinary, not lavish and demanding.

The context was the Passover, which commemorated the liberation of the Hebrews from slavery, with the meal being celebrated in that spirit. Unleavened bread and wine were part of the ritual celebration.

Jesus became bread broken for us. The cup of blessing is the blood of the new covenant that would be poured out for us. Jesus drew on simple everyday signs to present a profound message. His self-giving is complete, as are bread when it is eaten and wine when it is drunk. Nothing is left.

As Eucharistic people we are to be taken, blessed, broken and given to others as Jesus was. His continued presence among us gives us nourishment and we in turn nourish others.

A reflection from Sacred Space:

Church Jubilee Exhibition

Next weekend there will be an exhibition of church and parish memorabilia to mark the 50th anniversary of the opening of our parish church on the 23rd June 1968. The exhibition will be open on Friday morning after the 10.00a.m. Mass until 11.30a.m. On Saturday morning after the 11.00a.m. Mass until 12.30p.m. and again from 5.30p.m to 6.30p.m. After Mass on Saturday evening until 8.00p.m. On Sunday after the 9.15a.m. Mass until 1.00p.m.

The exhibition will be located in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel.

Eucharistic Adoration will continue on Friday 8th in the main Church from 8am to 10pm.

Killenagh Well thank you

Thanks to all who joined us on the Walk to the Well last Sunday. We especially thank the Cotter family for their welcome and hospitality. Thanks to all who helped in any way.

Legion of Mary Pilgrimage to Knock Sunday 10th June

Luxury coach leaving the Church of The Assumption Abbeyfeale at 7am sharp. Cost: €20 and must be paid beforehand to ensure a seat. please contact: Bernard Broderick 068 31565.

Michael Lane 068 32757.Gerard Callaghan 087 298084.

David Davy 087 0994272.

ST ITA’S FAITH CAMP

07/08/2018-10/08/2018

LOCAL VOLUNTEERS NEEDED as there will be far fewer “visiting” volunteers this year at our camp. This is very suitable for any student who is doing JP2 awards. Please contact Martina at 087-2788834 as we need people aged 15+ to supervise so the camp can go ahead. Garda vetting forms to be completed ASAP.

A clothes collection will take place from Saturday 4th of May to the 4th of June inclusive to raise funds for Fr. Casey’s Under 14 football team who represent Limerick in the Feile Peil Na N’og in Trim Co. Meath at the end of June If you wish to donate REUSABLE items of clothing, paired shoes, belts, Handbags, Bed linen, towels and curtains please drop bags to **The Railway Bar**, Athea Road, Abbeyfeale at anytime during the dates above.

Glórach Summer Solstice Concert

A memorable night of music will be taking place at the Glórach Theatre on Friday, June 22nd at 8 pm when Eleanor Shanley and Mick Hanrahan will be taking to the stage. Tickets can be booked at 0871383940.

ARDFERT RETREAT CENTRE:

Enneagram: Discover the unique person you were made to be! Enneagram is a powerful tool for understanding yourself and helping you to communicate effectively with others. Friday 15th - Sun 17th June. For info and to book an event please call **0667134276.**

ADAPT Domestic Abuse Services will hold a collection in County Limerick, including Abbeyfeale, on Sat 9th June and Sunday 10th June.

The Wednesday Club are holding a Tea Dance on Sunday 10th June in Fr. Casey’s GAA club, Abbeyfeale in aid of The Kerry Hospice, Tralee and Recovery Haven, Cancer Support House. Music by Paddy Quilligan. Tickets €5. Dancing 3-6pm. Donations gratefully accepted. Also Fri 15th June afternoon tea in St Ita’s Hall, commencing at 12.30-3.30. Proceeds to Kerry Hospice. |

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