



PARISH PASTORAL UNIT
ABBEEFEALE, ATHEA, TEMPLEGLANTINE, TOURNAFULLA, MOUNTCOLLINS



3rd Dec 2023 www.abbeyfealeparish.ie email fealechurch@eircom.net Church Sacristy 068 - 51915 Parish Office 089/2646772 Anne 11am to 1pm

Co Parish Priests of the Pastoral Area

- Fr Denis Mullane 087/2621911**
- Fr Tony Mullins 087/2600414**
- Fr Willie Russell 087/2272825**
- Fr Dan Lane (Retired) 087/2533030**
- Fr James Ambrose (Retired) Tel 087/7740753**

Priest on Call: Fr Michael Noonan, Ardagh is on call for the Pastoral Unit of Parishes this Sunday. He can be contacted on 087-6796217. (Emergency calls only).

Intentions for this weekend

- 6.30pm** Michael Collins Purt Anniv.
Dan Cronin, Kilmanihan West and Tim & Nora Cronin
and deceased family members
- 10am** Bridget & Paddy Curtin and Nell Dee
- 12noon** Mass of Thanksgiving

Intentions for the week

- Mon 7pm** Bill Lane, Ballaugh Anniv.
- Tues 10am** Pro Populo
- Wed 10am** James Hughes Deceased
- Thurs 10am**

Feast of the Immaculate Conception 8th Dec

- 7pm Thurs** Vigil Mass
- Fri 10am** Purgatorial
- Fri 7pm** Mary & Maurice O'Connell Anniv.

Mass intentions for next weekend

- 6.30pm Mass intentions**
Paddy O'Connor, Caherhayes 5th Anniv.
Bridget Healy Lower Knocknasa Lower and deceased family members
Ramey Leahy, New Street Anniv.
Willie Leahy, Mountmahon and his son Dermot Leahy
William & Nora Flynn and deceased family members
Deceased members of the ICA
- 10am** Paddy, Eily and Mike Barry Anniv.
Hannah Mai Scannell, Dromtrasna Collins
Mikie Scannell Dromtrasna Anniv.
- 12noon**
Julia Kelly Knocknasa and deceased family members
Frank Foley, St Ita's Road Anniv.
Tom Dillane, Kilconlea Anniv.
Patrick & Kathleen Lane Ballaugh
Willie Lane Ballaugh Anniv.
- Mon 11th** Thomas O'Connell New Street and deceased family members
Mary Gleeson / Morrissey Ballaugh/Cratloe Anniv.

Death

We offer our sympathy to the family of James Heck Collins, Lower Purt whose funeral took place on Tuesday. May he rest in peace.

Invitation of Advent

The first invitation of Advent is - to allow ourselves to be awakened by the numerous calls of others, to open our eyes with courage and confidence, to find ourselves hidden reserves of energy, to find hope in life, and confidence again in people, to be enlivened again with the morning of a new day, because the Light is chasing the night with its phantoms away.

Points for reflection

Do I allow the Light of God into the darkness of my life?
What good can I do with the life, the strength, the energy that I have as I prepare for Christmas?

Feast of the Immaculate Conception: Friday next is the 8th of December and the Feast of the Immaculate Conception. Vigil Mass on Thursday night at 7.00pm. Mass on Friday 8th at 10.00am and at 7.00p.m.

Prayer for Peace. Prayers for Peace in the world will continue for the season of Advent every Tuesday morning after 10.00am Mass until 12noon. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in the main church will begin immediately after the celebration of Mass.

Papal Award. The Holy Father, Pope Francis has awarded the Benemerenti Medal to Dee Dennison for his services to the celebration of the liturgy and church music in Our Lady of the Assumption Church, Abbeyfeale. Dee was director of the Adult Choir for over 40 years since its formation in October 1979 and retired recently. The Papal medal will be presented to Dee at the Vigil Mass for the Feast of the Immaculate Conception on Thursday night next 7th of December. Mass will begin at 7.00pm. All parishioners are welcome.

Trócaire: As Christmas approaches Trócaire is once again running its Christmas gifts appeal, Global Gift. In keeping with the spirit of Christmas Trócaire offers a range of ethical Christmas gifts that people can buy to change the lives of vulnerable families and communities in the developing world. Since this appeal began nine years ago, over 535,000 Christmas gifts have been purchased around Ireland to help the world's poorest people. These Christmas gifts have helped parents feed their children, families to build a safe home and communities to work their way out of poverty. Log onto www.trocaire.org/globalgift or call save Trócaire at 1850 408 408

Light up a Memory: Milford Care Centre, Limerick are running their Light up a Memory this December. It will be held in Our Lady Help of Christians Church, Milford, Castletroy, Limerick, Eircode V94X832 on Sunday 3rd December at 4.00pm. To sponsor a light in a loved ones memory, log on to www.milfordcarecentre.ie. By doing so you can support the special work of Milford Care Centre.

Support the work of Charities this Christmas

St Vincent De Paul: The Annual Church Gate Collection in support of St Vincent DePaul will take place next weekend the 9th/10th of December. Vincent DePaul are appealing for your help. Any donations you can give will be greatly appreciated



Celtic Brothers Christmas Concert – Friday 15th December

Celtic Brothers Christmas Concert. Just two weeks now to the Celtic Brothers Christmas Concert on Friday 15th of December. The concert will begin at 8.00pm. All proceeds from the concert will go towards the renovation St Ita's Hall, which will be 100 years old in 2028. If you plan to attend the concert you are encouraged to book your tickets now to avoid disappointment. Tickets are on sale at Siopa Milsean, Batt Harnett's, Kathleen's Food store, Supervalu, O'Donoghues's Spar Shop, Moss Harnett's Gala Shop and Sheehy's Hardware. Tickets are also on sale at The Zip Yard, NCW, the Community Shop in Tournafulla and in Watsons, Duagh and Brosna Post office. Tickets can also be booked in the Church Sacristy and by calling **089-2646772**. It promises to be a great night of entertainment with many Christmas favourites included in the show.



Appeal for Sponsorship

If any business or individual would like to help with the costs of staging the Christmas Concert, sponsorship will be very welcome. For more information, contact Fr Tony on 087-2600414 or Fr Willie on 087-2272825. All support will be gratefully received.

The Christmas Ribbon Ceremony in Reilig Ide Naofa Graveyard will take place on Sunday 17th at 1pm.

Come and See Inspirations: Is a locally produced podcast including interviews, chat on faith topics, inspirational music, reading and reflecting on the Sunday Gospel. Each week a new podcast is available online at: comeandseeinspirations.buzzsprout.com

Abbeyfeale Christmas Lights would like to thank one and all who helped and contributed in any way towards making Abbeyfeale beautiful this year. We would like to invite you all to our final fundraiser. ARA active retirement will be hosting a fantastic coffee morning **next Friday (December 1st)** at Leens Hotel from 10.30am. Don't miss out on the fun.

Carols and Poetry

Mary Culloty O' Sullivan presents an evening of Carols and Poetry in Listowel Arms Hotel on **Wednesday 6th December 7.30pm**. Special Guests North Kerry Community Choir. Free Entry.. Donations/ Raffle in aid of Recovery Haven Cancer Support Services.

St Joseph's young priest society

The monthly meeting of St Joseph's Priests Society will take place in the parish office at 7.30pm on Tuesday 5th Dec. all are welcome.

Baptisms in Abbeyfeale will be celebrated on the **first Saturday** of each month at 5.00pm. Also, on the **second Sunday** of the month after the 12noon Mass. Contact the Sacristy 068/51915 during Mass Times.

Direct debit system is also available contact the sacristy for a form. Donate on line abbeyfealeparish.ie

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