

# PARISH PASTORAL UNIT ABBEYFEALE, ATHEA, TEMPLEGLANTINE, TOURNAFULLA, MOUNTCOLLINS



# 4th September 2022

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As the month of prayer for Creation begins we thank God for the beauty of the earth and its creatures that surround us

## **Priest on Call**

A priest from one of the local parishes is always available to take emergency calls on Sunday.

Rev D Mullane, Templeglantine Parish is on call this Sunday He can be contacted on 087/2621911

## Mass intentions for this weekend

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**6.30pm** Mossie Lane, Carrigeen Brosna

Mossie & Joan Fitzgerald, Ballaugh Anniv.

Jimmy Galvin, Ballaugh 2nd Anniv.

Nora Mary Enright, 7 St Ita's Road Month Mind.

10am Mary B McEnery Anniv.

Chrissie Collins. Ballaugh Anniv.

12noon Kathleen Lane, Ballaugh Anniv.

Intentions for next week

Mon 7pm Private Intention
Tues 10am Pro Populo

Wed 10am Tom Fitzgerald, Knocknasna Anniv.
Thurs 10am Mike O'Sullivan, Colberts Terrace Anniv.

Fri 10am

# Mass Intentions for next weekend

Jack & Nonie Kelly and deceased family members Knocknasna Jack O'Grady, Dromtrasna South Anniv.

Noria Kennedy, Convent Street Anniv.

Eileen Lynch Anniv.

**10am** Monica & Michael Collins and Mrs Maureen Higgins and deceased members of the Collins &McCarthy family Juliann McCarthy, Collins Park Anniv.

Kate Naughton, St Ita's Road & Denis Naughton Mountcollins

## 12noon

**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.

BEATIFICATION: Pope Francis is set to beatify, Pope John Paul I, on Sunday, September 4 at Mass in St. Peter's Square.

#### **Mass Bookings**

To book a Mass intention in the church contact the sacristy Mon—Fri 9.30am 10.30am at 068/51915.

Parish office 11am to 1pm 068/31133 or 086/8661651

"Don't let vesterday use up too much of today"

**The Season of Creation** has a special significance for the Catholic Church, particularly since Pope Francis established 1 September as an annual World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation.

The Season of Creation is marked throughout the Christian world from 1 September to 4 October (Feast of Saint Francis of Assisi) and celebrates the joy of creation as well as encouraging awareness-raising initiatives to protect the natural environment.

#### Listen to the Voice of Creation

The theme for the Season of Creation 2022 is "Listen to the Voice of Creation". "I have heard their cry...I know their sufferings...Come, now! I will send you...I will be with you" (Ex 3: 1-12). The burning bush is the Symbol for the Season of Creation 2022. Today, the prevalence of unnatural fires are a sign of the devastating effects that climate change has on the most vulnerable of our planet. Creation cries out as forests crackle, animals flee, and people are forced to migrate due to the fires of injustice. On the contrary, the fire that called to Moses as he tended the flock on Mt. Horeb did not consume or destroy the bush. This flame of the Spirit revealed God's presence. This holy fire affirmed that God heard the cries of all who suffered and promised to be with us as we followed in faith to our deliverance from injustice.

In this Season of Creation, this symbol of God's Spirit calls us to listen to the voice of creation, to the voices of those who suffer the impacts of climate change, to the voices of those who hold generational wisdom about how to live gratefully within the limits of the land. These are voices of the Earth. The global Christian family is called to awaken to the urgent need to heal our relationships with creation and with each other and to encourage our parish communities to do the same,

"for we know that things can change!" (Laudato Si', 13).

# WALK DON'T RUN By Rob Bell

Walk, don't run. That's it. Walk, don't run.

Slow down, breathe deeply, and open your eyes

because there's a whole world right here within this one.

The bush doesn't suddenly catch on fire, it's been burning the whole time. Moses is simply moving slowly enough to see it. And when he does, he takes off his sandals.

Not because the ground has suddenly become holy,

but because he's just now becoming aware that the ground has been holy the whole time.

Efficiency is not God's highest goal for your life, neither is busyness, or how many things you can get done in one day, or speed, or even success.

But walking, which leads to seeing, now that's something. That's the invitation for every one of us today, and every day, in every conversation, interaction, event, and moment:

to WALK, NOT RUN

And in doing so, to see a whole world right here within this one.

# Best wishes to students

We wish all students receiving exam results this week the very best of luck.

Thank you for this opportunity to learn new skills and stretch my understanding. Thank you for guiding me through this time of study into the final exams. I lay before you all the hopes and fears I have about the outcome. May you place a peace within me now as I rest and await the results.

Readers for next weekend Sept 11th Team 2

Ministers of the Eucharist Sept 11th Team A.B.C

We welcome new members to these ministries. If your are interested in either being a Reader of the Word or an Eucharist Minister contact Fr Tony Mullins or the sacristy.

DO YOU NEED TO TALK: the Samaritans 24 hour service on 116123 or Pieta House 24 hour service 1800 247 247.

AGM: The AGM of Abbeyfeale Community Council will take place at Leens Hotel on Thursday, September 8 at 7pm. Have your voice heard. New members welcome.

# Milford Hospice

A Church gate collection will take place on next weekend 3rd /4th of September in aid of Milford Hospice. Your support is greatly appreciated.

WEST LIMERICK MENTAL HEALTH ASSOCIATION AGM: The AGM of the association will take place in Maple Lodge, Gortboy, NCW on Tuesday, September 13 at 8pm.

New members are all welcome..

#### ABBEYFEALE WRITERS GROUP.

The above group returns for classes after summer break on Friday 9th Sept in St Ita's Hall11am to 1pm. Contact Madeline 087/9707989

# 10 Tips on how to care for our 'Common Home'

The Season of Creation runs from September 1st (World Day of Prayer for Creation) to October 4th (the feast of St. Francis of Assisi). During the days of September, we are asked to join together to celebrate creation through prayer, reflection and action. On a practical level there are many things we can do for example – You can

- 1. Raise awareness of the gift of creation and the threats to the environment in our discussions at home in our families and with our friends.
- 2. Explore the use of renewable energy in our homes.
- 3. Evaluate your heating systems with timer and thermostatic controls.
- 4. Fit energy saving light bulbs. Switch off unnecessary lights and not leave items on stand-by (e.g. TV, laptop, kitchen appliances).
- 5. Use environmentally friendly cleaning materials & paint.
- 6. Compost your garden and food waste.
- 7. Avoid or reduce the use of chemicals in your home and garden.
- 8. Plant pollinator friendly plants in your window box or garden at home.
- 9. Shop wisely. Buy Fairtrade and buy locally made products when possible.
- 10 Avoid waste. Reduce, reuse, recycle, recover, treat.