



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



8th Oct 2023 www.abbeyfealeparish.ie email fealechurch@eircom.net Church Sacristy 068 - 51915 Parish Office 086/8661651 Anne 11am to 1pm

Co Parish Priests of the Pastoral Area

Fr Denis Mullane 087/2621911
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Fr Willie Russell 087/2272825
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Priest on Call: Fr John Mockler, Newcastle West, is on call this Sunday. He can be contacted on 086-2342242

Intentions for weekend

6.30pm Neilie Flynn 20 Belfry Height Anniv.
 Dee, Eily & Tadhgeen Harnett, Kilconlea Upper Anniv.
 Patrick & Kathleen Saunders Knocknasna Lower
 and deceased family members
 Bill Bridget and John Joe Collins The Hill and
 deceased family members
 Jim Woulfe, Ballaugh Anniv.

10am Margaret Culinhane Knockbrack Anniv.
 Eileen & Timothy O'Donoghue, Ballybehy Anniv.
 Michael J Moloney and deceased family members.

12noon Detlef Hoepfner his Mother and Father
 Martha & Karl
 Paul Collins, Main Street / Woodview Park 10th Anniv.
 Richie Woulfe, Cratloe 6th Anniv.
 Kathleen Spillane, St Ita's Housing Anniv and
 deceased members of the Harnett family Dromtrasna Harnett
 Ned O'Connell, Kilconlea Anniv.

Intentions for the week

Mon 7pm Marian Shannon Murphy Anniv.
 Ellen O'Connor, Knockbrack Anniv.

Tues 10am Pro Populo

Wed 10am
Thurs 10am
Fri 10am

Intentions for next weekend

6.30pm Gary Mahon Memorial Mass
 Teresa Fitzgerald Dromtrasna &
 Sr Ann O'Sullivan The Hill
 Mossie & Elisie Nolan Tournafulla
 and deceased family members
 Bill & Peg Colbert Main Street & Patrick Colbert Killarney Road

10am
12noon Kathleen Healy, The Hill 1st Anniv.

The Synod Assembly begins in Rome

On Wednesday 4th of October, Pope Francis celebrated the opening Mass of the synod in St. Peter's Square. The following day Thursday Oct. 5, the synod began with small-group discussions, called "conversation in the Spirit." Unlike past synods, which took place in an auditorium-style room called the "new synod hall," in the 2023 synod, participants are sitting at round tables in the large hall where Pope Francis often holds audiences with members of the public. The Oct. 4-29 synodal assembly is also utilizing new technology, including tablets, for participants. Video cameras and microphones at every table allow speakers' contributions to be shared on screens at the tables of other members. Simultaneous translations are also available in the principal languages. The 364 delegates are seated at tables of about 12 people, divided by language: English, Italian, Spanish, Portuguese or French.

Pope Francis in his opening remarks offered guidance to participants on how the month long assembly will proceed. Reading a quote from St. Basil, Pope Francis chose to share with synod participants, the importance of harmony. The great work of the Holy Spirit is harmony, he said, adding that "if there's no harmony, there's no Holy Spirit." The Pope emphasized the importance of listening over speaking. He said the Church is "paused" just like the apostles were when together in the Upper Room before Pentecost, except they were hiding in fear and "we are not." Over the coming weeks, we will keep the work of the synod in our prayers. See Synod Prayer below.

Synod /The Synodal Prayer. Pope Francis asks all of us to pray in a particular way to the Holy Spirit during this time, using this ancient prayer.

Adsumus Domine Sancte Spiritus (We are present before thee, O Lord Holy Spirit).

We stand before You, Holy Spirit, as we gather together in Your name.
 With You alone to guide us, make Yourself at home in our hearts;
 Teach us the way we must go and how we are to pursue it.
 We are weak and sinful; do not let us promote disorder.
 Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path nor partiality influence our actions.

Let us find in You our unity so that we may journey together to eternal life and not stray from the way of truth and what is right.
 All this we ask of You, who are at work in every place and time,
 in the communion of the Father and the Son, forever and ever. Amen.

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.



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In the Mood for Music

The Glórach Theatre will be hosting a charity concert this October 7th at 8PM in aid of Milford Hospice and Abbeyfeale for Africa. Helen Hasenfuss, Riona Ní Churtáin and Scott Fitzgerald will be joined by Fr Tony Mullins, Noreen & Aodhán Cotter, and our own church cantors (Liam & Eibhlín Broderick, Jackie Harnett, Leona Lyons, Bláithín McElligott, Katie O'Connor, Maura O'Donnell, Mai Quinlivan and Rebecca Stryker) to play and sing a delightful selection of popular classics. Tickets (€15) are available at www.glorachabbeyfeale.com or by calling 087 138 3940. A night not to be missed, bigí linn!

October - Mission Month

World Mission Sunday is the Holy Father's annual appeal for spiritual and financial support so that the life-giving work of overseas mission and missionaries can continue. It always falls on the second last Sunday in October, meaning this year it will be celebrated over the weekend of Sunday 22nd October. The theme for this year's celebration of Mission Sunday is: "Hearts on Fire, Feet on the Move" (Luke 24: 13-35). Mission Sunday is a time for the faithful of the world to show their appreciation towards the work of overseas missionaries. The generosity offered will be used to support missionary activities in over 1,100 struggling dioceses; mostly in Africa, Asia, and Latin America. You can help right now. Please support the special collection for the work of missionaries. On Sunday 22nd of October or donate €4.00 by texting the word 'Mission' to 50300. Alternatively donate at www.missio.ie or call Missio Ireland on 01 497 2035. To learn more go to www.missio.ie

Mental Health Week: Workshop on Positive Mental Health and Wellbeing. 10th of October, at 7.30pm in the Limerick Diocesan Centre, Corbally, Limerick. As part of Mental Health Week, the diocese is offering a workshop on Positive Mental Health and Wellbeing, in the family, the parish and the wider community. For further information and to register to attend the workshop, contact the Limerick Diocesan Centre on 061-350000

Pro-Life National Conference: The Pro-Life National Conference, will take place at the RDS Dublin, on Saturday 14th of October beginning at 11.00a.m. The Pro-Life Campaign is a non-denominational human rights organisation, drawing its support from a large cross-section of Irish society. For more information on the organisation and to register for the National Conference, log on to prolifecampaign.ie

Webcam Collection: Sincere thanks to all who contributed to the special collection for the Webcam service. The church webcam installed in 2016 has proved to be an essential service to parishioners, who are unable for one reason or another to attend Mass, or other liturgical services celebrated in the church. While we continue to livestream all our church services, we encourage all parishioners where possible to attend Mass in person. Live streaming of our church liturgies is an expensive service, costing just over €2,500 annually. If you are viewing on the service you can donate through the parish website on www.abbeyfealeparish.ie Click on the parish website and you will see the donate button on the right-hand side of the front page of the website. Just follow the instruction and you will be able to make a donation towards the service. Sincere thanks to for your generosity to the last weekend and to the parish each week.

Please take to leaflet home with you or place in the bins on your way out.