

# ABBEYFEALE PARISH NEWS

Happy Valentine's Day

10th Feb 2019

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Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year

Fr Tony Mullins PP 087/2600414

Fr Brendan Duggan 087/0562674

Fr Denis Mullane 087/2621911

Intentions for this weekend

6.30pm Peter Scannell, Clash Road Anniv.

9.15am Mary Mann, Church street Anniv.

Nell O'Mahony, Collins Park. Anniv.

12noon

Intentions for the week

Joe Murphy, Clash Anniv. Mon 7pm

Tues 10am

Wed 10am Pro Populo Thurs 10am Fri 10am Sat 11am Intentions for next weekend

Jim Ahern, Shanbally Anniv. 6.30pm

9.15am Mary & John Shannon, Main Street Anniv.

Bridie Ward, Killarney Road. Anniv.

Norrie Curtin, Kilconlea Lower Anniv. 12noon

**Spiritual reading group** will meet on Wed next 13th after the 10am mass at 10.30am in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel. All are welcome.

**Readers** list will be available in the sacristy over the weekend.

#### **Deaths**

We offer our sympathy to the family Eileen O'Brien, Bridge Street whose funeral took place on Tuesday.

Also to the family of Denis Lenihan whose funeral took place on Wednesday. May they rest in peace.

# Faith camp 2019

This year our camp takes place in St Mary's Boys school from MONDAY 29th JULY - THURSDAY 1st AUGUST 2019We will need volunteers - ADULTS 18YRS +and also YOUTHS aged 14 – 17 yrs. Host families will also be needed to accommodate our visiting volunteers. INFO:- 087 -2788834



# **World Day of the Sick:**

On Monday 11<sup>th</sup> of February we mark World Day of Prayer for the Sick.

We pray for all the sick in our parish and we also remember in our prayers all who care for the sick. In his message for the 27th World Day of the Sick, Pope Francis urges believers to

promote a culture of generosity, noting that the joy of generous giving is a barometer of the health of a Christian.

In his message for the World Day of the Sick, the Pope focused on Jesus's words to the Apostles: "You received without payment; give without payment" (Mt 10:8). Pope Francis says that those who care for the sick and give of themselves with generosity and straightforward love – like St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta - are amongst the Church's most credible evangelizers.

"Just as life is a gift from God", he said, and cannot be reduced to a personal possession or private property, he said that "caring for the sick requires professionalism, tenderness, straightforward and simple gestures freely given, like a caress that makes others feel loved".

Pope Francis's message also praised the generosity of so many volunteers who, he said, are so important in health care and who eloquently embody the spirituality of the Good Samaritan.

Noting that countless persons who are ill, alone, elderly or frail in mind or body benefit from these services, he urged them to continue to be a sign of the Church's presence in a secularized world: "Volunteer work passes on values, behaviours and ways of living born of a deep desire to be generous. It is also a means of making health care more humane. The Pope said" The joy of generous giving is a barometer of the health of a Christian". Finally, Pope Francis urged everyone "at every level, to promote the culture of generosity and of gift, which is indispensable for overcoming the culture of profit and waste".

**Meeting of Parents:** A meeting of parents of the children who are receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation this year will be held in on Coláiste Ide agus Iosef Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> of February at 7.30p.m. This meeting will look at the Healthy Lifestyle Choices Programme that is offered to the children as part of their preparation for Confirmation. It will look at drug and alcohol issues along with use of social media. Arrangements for Confirmation will also be discussed.

All parents/guardians are encouraged to attend.

**Eucharistic Adoration:** Parishioners who are interested in spending some time in prayer in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament are invited to fill out one of the Invitation cards and drop it into the box at the front of the altar. Cards were distributed at all Masses last weekend and are also available at various locations in the church.

#### **Baptismal Meeting**

The next baptismal meeting is the 12th February @ 8pm in Abbeyfeale

A day of prayer for victims and survivors of abuse will take place on February 15<sup>th</sup> across the Country.

# **Community notices**

Abbeyside Players with John B. Keane's The Chastitute are on stage on 9th 10th Feb Admission €10. Telephone/ text bookings only 087 2743189.

CALLING PARENTS: Abbeyfeale Parent & Toddler Group: 11am – 12.30pm every Tues & Thurs, St Ita's Hall. New people always welcome. Contact Mary on 087 9382883.

THE LONESOME WEST": Athea Players take to the stage with 'The Lonesome West' on Feb 9, 10, 14, 16, and 17. Suitable for over 12's. Admission €10. Tel. 087 2743189. Doors open 7.30pm.

## **Ballaugh Wrenboys**

The Ballaugh wrenboys wish to thank sincerely all who support them on St Stephen 's day. The wrenboys collected €2040 for Nano Nagle special school received €500, Milford Hospice received €500 and Abhaile Respite Listowel received €1040. We would like to express our sincere thanks to Billy Mangan Coaches for the use of his bus on the day and also to our driver James Mahony. Finally we would like to express our appreciation to you for the warm enthusiastic welcome we received in the houses we visited. Go raibh Míle maith agaibh go léir

CONRADH NA GAEILGE/GAELIC LEAGUE; a branch has been re-established in Abbeyfeale. Members welcome. Further information Éamonn 086 3903244.

# Happy Valentine Day Valentine Prayer

I said a prayer for you And asked the Lord above To fill your heart and bless your soul With precious gift of love. I asked him for sincere love The kind that's meant to stay Just like the generous love You give to those you touch each day. I prayed for love from family And from every cherished friend Then I asked the Lord to give His love that know no end. Amen.



Love cannot survive if you just give it scraps of yourself, scraps of your time,

## Prayer for a better world

St Francis of Assisi. Let me be an instruments of conservation.. Where there are renewable resources, let there be recycling.

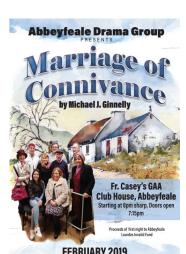
Where there is pollution, let us clean up Where there is no forest, let us plant trees. Where there is a disaster, let us rebuild Where there is a glut of food, let us give to those less fortunate. Oh, Patron saint of ecology, give us the courage to admit the wrong we've done to the environment, not to say "what's done is done"

Let us have the courage to co-operate with our neighbours To make the earth as beautiful a place as God intended.

MARRIAGE OF CONNIVANCE: Abbeyfeale Drama Group take the stage with Marriage of Connivance' from February 12/14/16/17/19/21/23/24

Put these dates in your dairy. First night in aid of Lourdes Invalid Fund

but to right the wrong that has been done.



Tue 19th, Thur 21st, Sat 23rd, Sun 24th