

# ABBEYFEALE PARISH NEWS

# Parish Pastoral Unit Abbeyfeale, Athea, Templeglantine, Tournafulla Mountcollins

10th March 2019

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First Sunday of Lent



## Co Parish Priests

Fr Tony Mullins 087/2600414

Fr Brendan Duggan 087/0562674

**Fr Denis Mullane** 087/2621911

Priest on Duty for the Area this Sunday – Emergency calls Fr John Mockler 086/2342242

## Intentions for this weekend

**6.30pm** Peggy McCarthy, Caherlane Anniv.

Michael Walsh and his parents Dromtrasna John & Niamh O'Donoghue

**9.15am** Lisa Doran, Luton Anniv.

Sean, Margaret & Lukeen Scannell, The Hill

**12noon** Mary O'Connor, Knockbrack 1st Anniv. Richard O'Brien, Clash Road Month mind.

Mon 7pm Eileen O'Brien, Bridge St. Month mind.

Tues 10am Special Intention Wed 10am Pro Populo

Thurs 10am Friday 10am

Sat 11am Pa Colbert, Killarney Road Anniv.

### **Intentions for next weekend**

**6.30pm** Peter Healy, The Hill 6th Anniv. Margaret & Ned Leahy and their son

Emmett the Millstream and deceased family members

Kitty Doody, New Street Anniv. Thomas & Jerry O'Connor, Knockbrack, Knocknagoshel Anniv.

9.15am William Riordan, Upper Purt Month Mind

**12noon** Tom Scanlon. Anniv.

Readers for March 10th Team 5

Ministers for 10th March Teams C A B

## **A Word from Pope Francis**

"I urge the members of the Church to take up the Lenten journey with enthusiasm, sustained by almsgiving, fasting and prayer. If, at times, the flame of charity seems to die in our own hearts, know that this is never the case in the heart of God!"

Lourdes invalid Collection will take place on 23/24th March

Schools Collections will take place on 30th /31st March

# Message for Lent from Bishop Brendan Leahy

Lent is the season when the whole Church goes on a forty-day retreat. I would like to suggest that we take holiness as a theme for Lent this year. I do so because Pope Francis has recently written a wonderful letter on holiness reminding us of its importance. At a time when we are getting used to pastoral units and new pastoral arrangements in our Diocese, it is good to keep our eye on what ultimately matters – our holiness. I would recommend you read Pope Francis' letter entitled, "Rejoice and Be Glad" (Gaudete et Exsultate). It's available on the internet or in religious book shops. I will draw on it for my Pastoral Letter this Lent. The Pope has felt prompted by the Holy Spirit to re-propose to all of us the call to holiness in a practical way for our time. The voice of the Holy Spirit speaking through the Pope is saying to each one of us: "be holy, for I am holy" (Lev 11: 44; cf 1 Pet 1:16). Copies of Bishop Leahy's Pastoral Letter for Lent 2019 "This is what God wants of us - Our Holiness", are available as you leave the church this morning. Please take one home with you.

## Trócaire Lenten Campaign for 2019

This year's Trócaire Lenten campaign focuses on land rights and specifically the stories of Patricia, Maya and Maria who all feature on this year's Trócaire box. Patricia is an 8-year-old from Uganda whose family's land is being stolen from them, bit by bit. Maya is a 10-year-old who is living in one of Lebanon's refugee camps after her family fled from the Syrian war. Maria is a nine-year-old girl from Guatamala whose family's land was violently stolen from them and their home burned down. Please ensure that you have a Trocaire Box for this Lent, so that we can assist Patricia, Maya and Maria and their families and thousands of families like them in their struggle to live life and to have the same opportunities that we are so blessed to have here in Ireland. For more information why not click on to www.trocaire.org

#### Confirmation in the Parish

Congratulations to the sixth class children whose received their Confirmation last Tuesday. We thank all who helped us to celebrate the Sacrament.

We pray the Holy Spirit will bless each and everyone of them in year ahead.

## Lenten Reflection 14th March @ 7.30pm

Dr.Jessie Roger Lenten reflection 2nd evening Templeglantine 14th March at 7.30pm in the Hall. All parishioners are welcome

We are privileged to have a woman who has made a remarkable journey in terms of Geography and Faith. She started life in South Africa as a Reformed Presbyterian "with a Baptist mother" and lead by the providence of God, human curiosity and a deep desire to be faithful, she came to work and live in Ireland, and then, followed three of her family into the Catholic Church. Dr Jessie Rogers lectures in Scripture at St Patrick's College, Maynooth.

# **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**

There are some places vacant on the chart. Adoration begins on Monday at 8am for 13 hours a day 8am –9pm. Monday to Friday.

The chart is beside the tabernacle if you wish to sign for an hour.

**Baptismal Team** meeting for the Pastoral Unit.12th March in Tournafulla/Mountcollins @ 8pm to book for the evening Tel Teresa 087/1513565

#### Trocaire Boxes

We ask our usual Distributors to collect their Trocaire boxes at the Church this weekend to be distributed for Lent. We appreciate you help with this ministry.

## Coláiste Íde agus Iosef

Congratulations to Mr Con Healy, the Transition Year Students and all involved in their production of Medley of Musicals. A very talented group of young people – all 86 of them.

## **Athea Lourdes Pilgrimage**

A Variety Concert in aid of the Athea Lourdes Invalid Fund will take place in St Bartholomew's Church, Athea on Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> March at 7pm Tickets €10.

*Faithcast* is the weekly podcast from catholicnews.ie, the news source for the Irish Catholic Bishops' Conference. Presented by Brenda Drumm, *Faithcast* is a mixture of interviews and news from the Catholic Church in Ireland. In episode 34 of Faithcast, Brenda speaks to Colm Hogan, Church Outreach Officer with Trócaire about this year's Lenten campaign.

### Catholic TV Ewtn Lent a season of Grace Lenten reflections

Special Programming Throughout the Lenten Season, reflection on the Gospel reading of each Sunday in Lent from the parish church of Ardagh in Carrickerry, Sundays at 11.30am Monday at 7.30-pm Wednesdays at 10.30am Saturdays at 12.30pm (30mins)Available on SKY 588, Virgin Media 815, eircomeFibre 589 or watch online wwwewtn.ie

# **RADIO MARIA**

Radio Maria Ireland is a Catholic Radio station broadcasting 24/7. Various programmes suited to youth and not so young listeners include daily Mass at 10am, daily Rosary prayed at 12.30pm and 5.30pm, Chat shows, Vocation stories, Catechesis and loads of Music. Tune in on your TV set at Saorview 210 (Just back from RTE1) or online at <a href="https://www.radiomaria.ie">www.radiomaria.ie</a>. or by phone on 01 4373277. Listeners can text a comment or request to 089 4672000.

Fr Paul Fitzpatrick, St.Mary's Cathedral is initiating and leading a Lectio Divina Scripture Group in St.Michael's Church, Barrington's Street next to the People's Park on Thursday March 14<sup>th</sup> at 8pm.

All are welcome. Tel Fr. Paul Fitzpatrick, St.Mary's Cathedral, (086) 4113989.

Limerick Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes will take place this year from June 20th to 25th. All Assisted (

Invalid ) Pilgrims applications to be submitted to Lourdes Office before the end of April. Details and cost will be on the notice board at the entrance of the Church. **Lourdes Invalid Collection takes place here on 23/24th March** 

**Nutrition Talk** - with Rebecca Steele Nutrition for parents of babies, toddler, and preschool children to take place in Abbeyfeale Library on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> March 2019. To book a place call Mary on 087 9382883.

All roads lead to Duagh Sports & Leisure Complex on Thursday 04th April 2019 for The Irish Country Music Concert presented by Mike Gardner of Country Corner - Doors open 7.30pm and Concert starts @8.30pm. Tickets €25 available from 087-2684540 or any committee member. Lots of Spot prizes, Full Bar Facilities as well as Tea/Coffee

"No matter how our goodness is tempted we are never alone"