

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



11th June 2023

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Intentions for weekend

6.30pm John Leahy, New Street Anniv.
D P Woulfe Bridge Street 2nd Anniv.
Timothy & Bebe Harnett and Family members Ballaugh
Hauleen & Peggy Foley, Ballaugh

10am Francis Fealey 3rd Anniv & Charles Fealey Anniversary occurs around this time and deceased family members

Margaret & Thomas Enright and deceased family members Nell & Jack Gleeson, Killarney Road Anniv.

Intentions for the week

Mon 7pm John & Niamh O'Donoghue Anniv. Nora O' Donnell, The Hill Months Mind.

Tues 10am

Wed 10am Deceased members of the Regan Family Thurs 10am Fri 10am

Intentions for next weekend

6.30pm Dan & Madge Cusack and deceased family Members

Pauline Murphy 1st Anniv and her husband

Pat (Sport) Murphy Anniv.

Francie O'Connor, Knocknasan and deceased

family members

Gerard & Christy Kelly, Knocknasna and deceased family members

10am Paddy & Mai O'Connor, Islandboy Anniv.

12noon Sean Healy, The Hill 3rd Anniv.

Dio & Denny O'Connor, Knocknasna Anniv. Bertie Collins, Convent Street 3d Anniv. Bridget & Tady McCarthy, Templeglantine Con & Eileen Harnett, Cragg Anniv.

Death

We offer our sympathy to the family of Elilzabeth Betty O'Connor, Dromtrasna Collins whose funeral took place during the week. May she rest in peace.

Treasure what you have

A few years ago, a priest told the story of how on holidays in County Kerry, he stopped at a roadside church on the ring of Kerry to pray evening prayer. The peace and the quiet helped him to enjoy God's presence. Suddenly, the silence was broken by the arrival of a busload of foreign tourists. Cameras clicked and coins jingled in the shrine boxes. After a few minutes, silenced returned as the visitors re-joined their bus. There was just one elderly man left standing before the altar. He turned towards the priest and spoke slowly and solemnly. He said,

'Treasure what you have, Father. For many years now I have lived far from any church or Christian community. It is difficult to keep God's love alive in one's heart on one's own and without the Eucharist. Treasure it.'

The horn in the bus hooted angrily and the man quickly made his way out to the bus. The priest was left to ponder the wonder of God's presence in the Eucharist. Later in telling the story of the meeting with the tourists, the priest said, 'He is present to us to help us to be present to him. The opportunity to be present to each other in friendship and worship is a gift of a great God.'

Today we say thanks for the gift of the Body and Blood of Christ, Corpus Christi.

We continue to pray for all students sitting the Leaving and Junior Cert Examinations:

Lord, pour out your Spirit of Wisdom on these students: help them to remain calm,

to attend carefully to the questions asked,

to think clearly, to remember accurately,

and to express themselves well.

Grant that they may reflect on the best of the work they have done

and the best of the teaching they have received.

Accept their best efforts in these examinations and in the great test of life on earth.

May your love be upon them, O Lord,

as they place all their trust in you.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

DIVINE MERCY PRAYER GROUP:

The weekly Divine Mercy prayer group have resumed meeting after the 7pm Mass every Monday. New members are always welcome.

St Joseph's Young Priests Society

The Annual Pilgrimage of the St. Joseph's Young Priests Society to Knock Shrine will take place again this year on Sunday 25th June 2023. Details of bus times to Knock can be found on poster in the church noticeboard.

Newcastle West Blood Donation Clinic

As you may already have heard the Irish Blood Transfusion Service are currently facing major challenges in maintaining supply of blood to our hospitals. Irish hospitals need an additional 2,000 units of blood to be donated this June. The IBTS are urging both existing and new donors to give blood. You will have an opportunity to donate blood at the Newcastle west Blood Donation Clinic next Tuesday 13th, Wednesday 14th & Thursday 15th June 2023. Venue: Community Centre Newcastle West. Tim: 16:50 - 20:10.

Your help would be greatly appreciated and would make a difference.

St Anthony of Padua Feast day Tuesday 13th June

Prayer to St Anthony

O Holy St. Anthony gentlest of Saints, your love for God and charity for His creatures, made you worthy, when on earth, to possess miraculous powers. Encouraged by this thought, I implore you to obtain for me (request).

O gentle and loving St. Anthony, whose heart was ever full of human sympathy, whisper my petition into the ears of the sweet Infant Jesus, who loved to be folded in your arms.

The gratitude of my heart will ever be yours. Amen.

Corpus Christi Procession

To celebrate the Feast of Corpus Christi, we will have a short Eucharistic procession to the grotto in the car park after the Vigil Mass next Saturday evening. We ask parishioners to join in this procession and we invite all the children who received their First Holy Communion to attend Mass and join in the procession to the Grotto. The procession will take place at the end of Mass.

Feast of The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus Friday 16th June.

The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus is one of the most widely practised and well-known Catholic devotions, wherein the heart of Jesus Christ is viewed as a symbol of "God's boundless and passionate love for mankind. The Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus is celebrated on the third Friday after Pentecost.

Prayer to the Sacred Heart

O my Jesus, you have said: "Truly I say to you, ask and you will receive, seek and you will find, knock and it will be opened to you. Behold I knock, I seek and ask for the grace of... (name your request here) Our Father... Hail Mary... Glory Be to the Father...

Sacred Heart of Jesus, I place all my trust in you. Amen.

Friday 16th June is The World Day of Prayer for Priests.

We remember Fr Dan, Fr Willie and Fr Tony and all priests in our prayers.

'Lost Souls' will give a concert in the Glorach Theatre, Abbeyfeale on Saturday 10th of June at 8.00pm. It promises to be a great evening of song and music.

Proceeds from the concert will go towards the St Ita's Hall Renovation Fund.

Athea Corpus Christi Procession

Athea Parish will have a Corpus Christi Procession through the village (weather permitting) next Saturday evening after the 7.30pm Vigil Mass. The Eucharistic Procession will begin after Mass at the parish church and proceed to the Con Colbert Memorial Community Centre for prayers before the Blessed Sacrament and concluding with Benediction. Refreshments will be served in the hall afterwards. All are welcome.

The Bells of the church are out of order at the moment. The unit is sent away to be repaired.