



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



12th Feb 2023

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Mass intentions This weekend

6.30pm Jerry O’Riordan, Dromtrasna Collins Anniv.

10am Willie Riordan Upper Purt Anniv.
 Mary Mann, Church Street

12noon Joe Murphy, Clash Road

Mon 7pm Christy O’Connell, Kilconlea Upper Anniv. &
 Susanne Draper Months Mind
 Birthday Mass for Julia Calanita USA

Tues 10am Lay Led Liturgy

Wed 10am Eily O’Connell

Thurs 10am Noel Downey, Church Street Months mind
 Larry Corbert Anniv.

Fri 10am Mary & John McSweeney Anniv.

Intentions for next weekend

6.30pm Jimmy Ahern, Shanbally Anniv.
 Margaret O’Connor, Knockbrack 1st Anniv.

10am Bob Browne, Church Street Anniv.
 Denis & Joan Collins and deceased family members
 Mary & John Shannon Main Street Anniv.

Mon 7pm Dan O’Donoghue, Convent Street Anniv.

Lenten Adoration will take place this year from 10am to 6pm. A chart will be available near the tabernacle for people to sign /commit for one hour a week. Lent begins on February 22nd.

Prayer for Gods Support

May He support us all the day long,
 till the shadows lengthen and the evening comes,
 and the busy world is hushed, and the fever of life is over,
 and our work is done.
 Then, in His Mercy, may He find us safe lodging
 and a holy rest, and peace at last. Amen.

PRIEST ON CALL

This Sunday Rev J Keating is on duty for emergency calls.
 He can be contact on 087/6322212

Preparing for First Holy Communion

This Saturday evening, we continue with our parish preparation for the celebration of First Holy Communion and First Confession. We welcome all the children who are preparing to celebrate the Sacrament in May. We welcome their parents who play such an important role in helping their children to come to a deeper awareness of God and of the value of our Christian faith. We encourage parents to look beyond the practical arrangements of family celebrations, clothes, cards and presents. All good in their own right, but these aspects of preparation for First Holy Communion Day should not be a parents only priority.

The following four ways are a guide for parents to help their children and their families prepare for First Holy Communion.

1. Go to Sunday Mass. If receiving Jesus in holy Communion is wonderful and special, then we would want to at least receive the Eucharist every Sunday. Don’t let “being too busy,” sports or anything keep you from going to Mass. Trying to live a Catholic life without Mass like trying to grow a plant without water. It will wither and die.
2. Model reverence and focus on the sacrament when celebrating first holy Communion. First holy communion is an exciting time. There are special outfits, relatives and friends gathering and making a fuss, parties being planned, presents and the pageantry of the day. But be careful for your child to be too caught up in the clothes, the party and the presents. It would be normal and natural for any child to focus on these happy things. Remind your child why all these wonderful and fun things are happening because they will be receiving Jesus in holy Communion for the first time.
3. When you come to visit the church or to attend the celebration of Mass, help the children to understand and appreciate that the church is a sacred place, holy ground. While in the church we should always behave in a respectful manner. Your children will learn by your good example. Receive Holy Communion with reverence and practice receiving Holy Communion at home with your child.
4. Praise and thank God for the great gift of Communion. Help your child to learn this prayer after Holy Communion.

Prayer after Communion

Lord Jesus, I love and adore you. You’re a special friend to me.
 Welcome, Lord Jesus, O welcome. Thank you for coming to me.
 Thank you, Lord Jesus, O thank you for giving yourself to me.
 Make me strong to show your love wherever I may be.
 Be near me, Lord Jesus, I ask you to stay, close by me forever and love me, I pray.
 Bless all of us children in your loving care and bring us to heaven to live with you there.

Confirmation will be celebrated by Bishop Brendan Leahy on Friday 10th of March 2023.

Trocaire Boxes are available at the door of the Church to collect on your way home.

FREE BUS To Divine Mercy Conference (RDS) On Saturday 18th of February Leaving Abbeyfeale Church @ 6am SHARP. Leaving RDS at 8:30pm SHARP. Contact 087-2788834

Spring Zoom Meeting for those wishing to explore a Poor Clare vocation Saturday 18th Feb. @ 3pm email vocationspoorclarescork@gmail.com to receive the link www.poorclarescork.ie

Fr Tim Galvin RIP

On Thursday afternoon parishioners of Abbeyfeale and Brosna were deeply shocked and saddened on hearing of the sudden death of Fr Tim Galvin SPS. Fr Tim, was a member of St Patrick’s Missionary Society, Kiltegan. He was a man of deep faith and a passionate missionary, a humanitarian with a huge heart for people. For his family, and his colleagues in St Patrick’s Missionary Society, Fr Tim’s sudden death is a great personal loss. For his parishioners in South Sudan his loss is incalculable. Fr. Tim, has served in Riwoto, South Sudan, for the Saint Patrick’s Missionary Society since 2014. He had a great network of friends and supporters here in Abbeyfeale and right around West Limerick and North Kerry. We are all deeply saddened at his passing. We extend our sympathy and condolences to his sisters and extended family and to his brother priests in Kiltegan. Our prayers and thoughts are with them at this difficult time. We will organise a memorial mass for Tim and his family in the near future. May Tim rest in peace. Ar dheis Dé go raibh a anam.

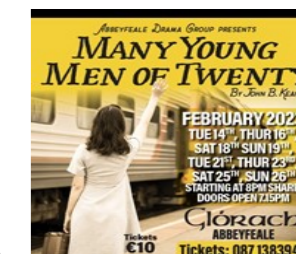
Sean Broderick RIP

We offer our sympathy to the family and friends of the late Sean Broderick, late of St Ita’s housing and New Street. Sean passed away peacefully on Sunday night last. He was in his 97th year. Sean dedicated his whole life to serving the local community. He has left a very positive mark on local politics and on the many organisations he was involved in here in Abbeyfeale. Sean was awarded the Benemerenti medal by Pope Benedict for his services to the Church. We extend our sympathy to his daughters and extended family. May Sean rest in peace. Ar dheis Dé go raibh a anam.

Tea Dance on Sunday 19th February in aid of Kerry Hospice. Dancing from 3 - 6pm in Fr. Casey’s GAA club. Music by Paddy Quilligan. Admission €10. If anyone would like to make a donation please contact Mary on 087 6377310. Proceeds from this event will be made to representatives of The Kerry Hospice on the day. A great afternoon is guaranteed and you’ll be supporting a very worthy cause.

ATHEA DRAMA: This year’s production “The Anniversary” on **February 11th, 12th, 16th, 18th & 19th of February.** Athea Community Centre. Booking 087 6926746. Text or What app 087 6926746.

MANY YOUNG MEN OF TWENTY; **Tuesday February 14, Thursday 16, Saturday 18, Sunday 19, Tuesday 21, Thurs.23, Saturday 25 and Sunday 26.**
 Doors open 7.15pm.
 Tickets €10. Raffle on the night.
 Booking 087 1383940.
 The play will run for 8 nights only so book early to be sure of a seat.
 A great night’s entertainment awaits you.



Please take the leaflet home with you or return it to the basket at the doors. Thanks.