



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



12th Nov 2023 www.abbeyfealeparish.ie email fealechurch@eircom.net Church Sacristy 068 - 51915 Parish Office 089/2646772 Anne 11am to 1pm

Co Parish Priests of the Pastoral Area

Fr Denis Mullane 087/2621911
Fr Tony Mullins 087/2600414
Fr Willie Russell 087/2272825
Fr Dan Lane (Retired) 087/2533030
Fr James Ambrose (Retired) Tel 087/7740753

Intentions for weekend

6.30pm Patrick & David O'Connor Caherhayes Anniv.
 Kathleen O'Connor, Knocknasna Anniv.
 Ann Molyneaux Athea / Glin
 Jeremiah Healy Knocknasna 1st Anniv.
 Bridie & Sean Leahy Bogmount and their son John and daughter in law Eileen.

10am Mary & Johnny Flynn Banard Anniv.
 David Healy, Killarney Road Anniv.

12noon Eamonn Daly Main Street / Castleknock
 Bridget & Patrick Cleary Birmingham & Main Street
 Kathy Scanlon Anniv.
 Nora Canty Fealesbridge Anniv.
 Eileen O'Connor Main Street
 Anne O'Connor Keating late of Dublin

James & Kathleen Keating Dublin O'Connor & Keating Families

Intentions for the week

Mon 7pm Cornelius & Lucy O'Rourke Anniv.
 Denis, Michael, Bridget & Hannah Cronin Anniv.
 Joan Sheerin, Athea Anniv.

Tues 10am Pro Populo

Wed 10am Thomas O'Brien Collins Park Birthday remembrance

Thurs 10am Lawrence Cree 1st Anniv.

Fri 10am

Fri 7pm Mass for all those who died since this time last year.

Intentions for next weekend

6.30pm Connie Harnett, Collins Park Anniv.
 Mary & Jack McKenna, Knockbrack Anniv.
 Donal, Nell & Patrick Fitzgerald Knockbrack Anniv.
 Mary Kelly, Co Down Anniv.

10am Eileen & Patrick Roche, Killarney Road Anniv.
 Michael Reidy & Josephine Reidy Shanbally and their daughter Margaret
 Tommy & Delia Nelligan, Bridge Street
 Mary Nelligan Collins Park

12noon Michael Reidy Meenkilly 10th Anniv.
 Shelia O'Connell, Kilconlea Lower
 Peggy & Dan O'Riordan Anniv.
 Michael O'Shea, Coolaneelig Anniv.
 Raj Anandi late of UK
 Danfrancis & Eileen O'Connor Main Street Anniv.
 Justin John McCarthy Moynsha

Invitation from Bishop Brendan Leahy

In the coming weeks Bishop Leahy will be holding a number of "conversation" gatherings across the Diocese, to offer people a chance to open up questions and issues regarding the future of our faith community, its mission arrangements and structures. It is an occasion to present to people some of the data about our parishes and the diocese and to enter into an informal conversation. In announcing these gatherings, Bishop Leahy said, *"We won't make big decisions immediately but we'll be moving along the pathway of community discernment. I would ask you to spread the word about these meetings, everyone is welcome to attend."*

The meeting for our Pastoral Unit will be held in the Longcourt Hotel, Newcastle West, on **Thursday 22nd of November at 7.30p.m.** All who are concerned about the future of our faith community in this area of the diocese are encouraged to attend. For further information, contact any of the priests in the area. Contact numbers are printed in this newsletter.

Diocesan Overview

This week in parishes across the Diocese we will be distributing copies of a Diocesan Overview Report, that the Bishop hopes people of the Diocese will read and share with others. The Overview is a snapshot of the life of our Diocese. In reading the Overview you'll find statistics of where things are at today, giving a greater understanding of the profile of clergy, financial arrangements and the challenges facing us in the Diocese.

Bishop Leahy hopes that this Overview will be distributed widely. He asks people to take copies of it not just for themselves but perhaps also for sons or daughters not coming regularly to Church but nevertheless still in some way in contact through baptism, First Holy Communion and Confirmation ceremonies.

Purgatorial List of the Dead

Envelopes are available in the Church for you to write the names of your loved ones on the enclosed sheet. The envelope can then be placed in the box in the Church and the names will remain on the Altar for the month of November. Throughout the year each priest in the diocese is required to offer 15 Masses for all those listed on your purgatorial list. Here in Abbeyfeale we offer Mass on the first Friday of each month for all the dead.

Annual Mass for all those who died in 2023

The Annual Mass for all those who died since this time last year will be celebrated on **Friday 17th of November at 7.00pm.** During Mass a candle will be lit for each person who has died during the past twelve months and a member of their family will be invited to bring the candle to the altar.

For those whose relatives died outside of the parish and you wish to remember them on that evening please call into the church and give their name to be added to the list.

Adoration for Peace during November

There will be Adoration every Tuesday after the 10am Mass until 12noon in the Main Church to Pray for peace in our world. All are welcome.

Tuesdays 14th, 21st and 28th of November.

Names to cover each hour can be written on the chart by the tabernacle.

Altar Servers

Our Parish here in Abbeyfeale has always had a great tradition of children being involved in the Ministry of Altar Serving. During Covid this Ministry stopped. At this stage we would like to get the Ministry back and would like to invite boys and girls from the Parish who have made their First Holy Communion to consider becoming Altar Servers.

Time Commitment

You would be asked to serve at Mass at weekends on one of the following times. Saturday evening at 6.30pm or on Sunday at 10.00am or 12noon. You will be invited to come for some training before you would serve at Mass.

Wish to volunteer for this Ministry?

If you are interested in your child becoming an Altar Server, you can ask for a form in the Sacristy. At all times our Child Protection Guidelines will be followed for the safety of our young people. If you would like any further information, please contact Anne in the sacristy. Tel 068-51915 or email the parish office at fealechurch@eircom.net



Celtic Brothers 15th Dec.

are returning to Abbeyfeale for our annual Christmas Concert which will be held on Friday 15th December. Tickets will go on sale Tel 089/ 2646772
 All proceeds in aid of St Ita's Hall renovation work.

Christmas lights fundraising

As usual the volunteers are getting busy in town decorating for Santas visit to Abbeyfeale,

18/19th November Church gate Collection. Christmas Lights

Nov 24th Santas visit to town at 6pm to greet everyone.

Dec 1st and 2nd Bagpacking at Twohigs

Dec 1st pub quiz at The Winners Circle.

Dec 8th ARA will host a coffee morning at Leens Hotel at 10.30am to 12pm.

Nov 24th There will be a Christmas Market in the square.

ABBEYFEALE FOR AFRICA: Our annual cake sale in aid of the late Fr. Tim Galvin's Mission in South Sudan will be held in St. Ita's Day Care Centre on **Sunday, November 26** from 10-1pm. We're sending out a call to our bakers and those who would like to donate home baking to drop their offerings to Batt in the Square before **Saturday, November 25** or directly to the Day Care Centre.

The account for Abbeyfeale for Africa remains open at the Credit Union.