



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

15th Nov. 2020 33rd Sunday in ordinary time www.abbeyfealeparish.ie email fealechurch@eircom.net Fr Tony Mullins PP 087/2600414

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Intentions for this weekend

6.30pm John Ward, Ballaugh Months mind
 Patrick & David O'Connor,
 Caherhayes
 Jack & Mary McKenna, Knockbrack
 Donal & Nell Fitzgerald and their son
 Patrick .
 Julia Anne & Jimmy Browne Main Street
 Bridget Browne and deceased members of
 the Browne and Lane families.

10am Kathy & Tom Scanlon and
 Mick Scanlon
 Fr Bill Lane and Sr De Pazzi

12noon Shelia O'Connell Anniv.
 Eileen & Patrick Roche, Killarney Rd.
 Helen Canty, Fealesbridge Anniv.

Mon 7pm Jack Mary & John Ranahan Anniv
 Josephine & Michael Reidy and
 their daughter Margaret, Shanbally

Tues 10am Fred Tobin

Wed 10am Pro Populo

Thurs 10am Lizzie Morris
Fri 10am

No Saturday morning Mass

Intentions for next weekend

6.30pm Mary Kelly late of Athea & Co Down
 Tom Doody and deceased family
 Members
 Connie Harnett, Collins Park Anniv.
 Finton Hoare, Knockbrack Anniv.
 Sr Ann O'Sullivan Month Mind
10am Cornelius O'Rourke, The Hill Anniv.

12noon Madge & Paddy Woulfe,
 Kilconlea Lower
 Michael Reidy, Bogmount Anniv.

AID TO THE CHURCH IN NEED

Aid to the Church in Need (ACN) is Ireland's leading charity for protecting the rights of Christians and supporting the suffering and persecuted Church. Founded in Dublin in 1947, ACN have been dedicated to the service of fellow Christians around the world. ACN have national offices in over 20 countries, which in turn deliver help to fellow Christians in over 140 countries around the world.

Every year Aid to the Church in Need hosts the Week of Witness, a week of campaigning and prayer for persecuted Christians around the world. Red Wednesday is the central event of the Week of Witness. Red Wednesday is a day to gather and draw attention to the plight of those who are persecuted and oppressed for their religious beliefs. Cathedrals, churches and public buildings around the world will light up in red to show solidarity with our brothers and sisters in Christ. *This year, Red Wednesday will take place on the 25 November.*

It is clear that the persecution of Christians is reaching a crisis point. In terms of the number of people involved, the gravity of the acts committed, and their impact, not only are Christians more persecuted than any other faith group, but ever-increasing numbers are experiencing the worst forms of persecution. The purpose of *Red Wednesday* is to join together and raise a strong voice in support of the persecuted who are unable to speak freely, and who look to us - their brothers and sisters in Christ - to speak on their behalf. We will have more details next week.

Exploring Eucharist - Reflecting on phrases from the Mass.

This week we reflect on
'Glory to God in the highest, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory'

In praying these words our prayer is offered directly to God. We refer to him as You. When I say 'Glory to God' I am saying that I adore you, you who alone are God. Although we use the word 'adore' loosely- of another person, or a painting, or fine food-there is only one fitting object of our adoration that is You (God).

To glorify God is to express the heart of the relationship between ourselves and God; that I am a creature and God is the creator, that I am searching, and God is my salvation. And when I glorify and adore God, I am most free. I am letting my spirit soar, not asking for anything, nor groveling or cajoling or doing business, but simply proclaiming who You are.
(From Exploring Eucharist by Donal Harrington)

'Living our faith in a time of Covid-19'

Bishop Brendan Leahy has written a Pastoral Letter to the people of the diocese entitled '*Living our faith in a time of Covid-19*'. In the letter Bishop Leahy is offering ten simple tips as an encouragement to keep watering the seed of faith within us during this time of pandemic.

This week we bring you **TIP 2**

Tip 2 Live the Present Moment. We normally spend so much time revisiting the past or planning the dreams of the future, but easily forget to focus on the present. St. Thérèse of Lisieux used to say: "You know that to love you, Lord, I only have today.

Visit to Parish Church: The Blessed Sacrament chapel is open each weekday from 11.00am to 6.00pm and on Sunday's from 1.00pm to 6.00pm.

Recent Deaths: we offer our sympathy to the family of Ita O'Connor, Rathoran, Duagh and Purt whose funeral took place on Wednesday. May she rest in peace.

Shop Local: We are grateful to all the local shops and businesses who help distribute the Parish Newsletter each weekend. It helps parishioners keep in touch with the parish. At this most challenging time for all shops and businesses we encourage parishioners to support where possible local shops and businesses, especially in the lead up to Christmas.

THANK YOU: We thank all our parishioners who financially support the ongoing mission of the Church here in Abbeyfeale Parish. In recent weeks we have put a donate facility on the parish website and parishioners have begun to use this facility to make contributions to the parish. This is a simple method of contributing to the parish. Just click on to the parish website at www.abbeyfealeparish.ie and you will see a **Donate** button on the right hand side on the front page of the website. Just follow the instructions and you will be able to make your donation to the parish. Thank you for your continued support.

Remembering and Praying for our deceased loved ones.

In current times, with restricted access to churches, we offer these suggestions of prayer as a way of remembering our dead during November. The following prayers might be helpful to people who visit graveyards during November.

Visiting a Graveyard

Lord we come to this holy place to pray for the soul of someone we love and still cherish. Their body lies in the womb of the earth, but we trust that their spirits and soul are free and that their love is with us always. We take a moment to remember them and join with them and with each other in silence and prayer. We make these prayers through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Sprinkling of Holy Water

Lord, we ask you to bless this grave and draw close our beloved (parent, friend, etc.) Because Jesus did not remain in a tomb, we trust that it is the same for..... Death may end a life, but it never ends a relationships. Give us the grace to trust that _____'s love and light are with us always. May _____'s love continue to affect who we are and what we do. Draw _____ close to you and just as s/he is at peace we pray today for peace and healing for ourselves. We make this prayer through Christ our Lord. Amen

Lighting a Candle for the Holy Souls

In thanksgiving for the light and love we received in and through _____ we light this candle and pray a prayer that our ancestors prayed each time they lit a candle:
 'A Shlánaitheoir, go dtuga tú soilse Flaithiúnais dár n-anamacha is na anamacha atá imithe romhainn faoi chomártha an chreideamh'
 'Lord, show the light of Heaven to our souls and the souls of those who are gone before us marked with the sign of faith'

Tree of Remembrance

The Tree of remembrance will be in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel for the month of the Holy Souls. You are invited at your own convenience to place the names of your deceased relatives on it. Tags will be available beside the tree.