



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



16th Jan 2022 www.abbeyfealeparish.ie email fealechurch@eircom.net Church Sacristy 068 - 51915 Parish Office 068 - 31133

Co Parish Priests of the Pastoral Area

Fr Brendan Duggan 087/0562674
Fr Denis Mullane 087/2621911
Fr Tony Mullins 087/2600414
Fr Dan Lane (Retired) 087/2533030

Mass intentions for this weekend

6.30pm Mary O'Sullivan, Ballybehy Anniv.
 Michael Roche, Church Street. Anniv.
 Maurice & Nora O'Connor, Knocknasna
 Hannah, Jim, Katie, and Bill Murphy Tournafulla
10am Annie Lane Brosna
12noon

Monday 7pm

Tues 10am Pro- Populo
Wed 10am Sr Margaret Colbert, The Square
 and Scotland

Thurs 10am Timmy Nolan
 80th Birthday remembrance.

Fri 10am

Intentions for next weekend

6.30pm Lily O'Keeffe, St Ita's Road Anniv.
 Mame Harnett, Knockbrack Anniv.
10am Denis McEnery, Dromtransa Collins
12noon Patrick Broderick and daughter
 Hannah Marie Broderick Anniv.
 Nora Morrisroe, Killarney Road Month Mind
 Michael Mitchell, St Ita's Housing Month Mind

Deaths

We offer our sympathy to the families of
 Tom Aherne, Glenashrone
 David McEnery, Dromtrasna Collins
 Margaret O'Carroll, 8 Cryle View Manor
 Paddy Doran, Hillview Drive.
 Whose funerals took place during the week.
 May they rest in peace.

The Parish Clerks wish to thank you for your
 generosity towards their collection last weekend.
 Clerks envelopes can still be put into the boxes at
 the door of the church.

Feast of St Ita. Saturday 15th January. St Ita was born in Co. Waterford of noble and Christian parents. Early on she set her mind on serving Christ in religious life. She founded a monastery in Kileedy, Co Limerick, which attracted a great variety of young people. She was given the title '*Foster -Mother of the Saints of Ireland*'. She died in 570. We entrust ourselves to her intercession.

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2022

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity will begin on Tuesday next, 18 January, and last until 25th. January. The theme this year is "*We saw the star in the East, and we come to worship him*" (Mt 2:2). The Prayer Service for this year was compiled in Lebanon and reflects the civil conflict and experiences of the people there; a yearning for a light leading to the Saviour who overcomes darkness. An ecumenical ceremony in which Bishop Leahy will take part, will be relayed via web camera from St. Mary's Church of Ireland Cathedral, Limerick at 6 pm on Tuesday 18th January.
 This coming week let us pray for all who work throughout the world to bring about unity among all Christians. Week of Prayer for Church Unity 18th to 25th January

Water into wine

Jesus brought the wine of God's love into the world.
 Everywhere he went the old was made new.
 For the people of Cana, he changed water into wine.
 For the widow of Nain, he changed tears into joy
 For Zacchaeus he changed selfishness into love
 For the thief on Calvary he changed despair into hope
 And on Easter morning he changed death into life.
 Lord be present with us today and throughout our lives.
 And when through human weakness,
 the wine of love is found wanting,
 Touch our hearts and strengthen our wills,
 So that we may taste the wine of unselfish love.

Just a thought....

In the present challenging times of Covid 19, the Pandemic is teaching us and making us stronger. Those gone before us sealed with the beautiful sign of faith, lived with a sense that life and health were fragile, not to be taken for granted. These days, more than ever, we all need to remind ourselves that we are not exempt from the threat of sickness, debilitation and death.

In short, all our contemporary world can offer us in terms of technology, medicine, nutrition and insurance of every kind, doesn't exempt us from fragility and vulnerability.

Covid 19 has shown us how vulnerable we all are.
 Our very modern world of today, for all the good things it gives us, has lulled us asleep in terms of our fragility, vulnerability and mortality.

This Pandemic is a wake up call, not just to the fact that we are really vulnerable but especially to the fact that we cannot take for granted the precious gifts of health, family, work, community, parish, travel, recreation, freedom to gather and yes, even going to Mass.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in the main church every Friday from after the 10.00am Mass until 6.00pm.
 In the event of a funeral Mass on a Friday. Adoration will begin at 12.30pm. We advise parishioners to wrap up well as some of the church windows will be open for ventilation purposes.



Getting Married in 2022 -2023

Accord the Catholic Church Marriage support service is currently offering a four-module interactive Marriage Preparation Programme via video link. This programme is offered to couples preparing for the Sacrament of Marriage in the Catholic Church during Covid19 and is facilitated by professionally trained Accord Facilitators. The final part of this preparation for marriage requires the couple to meet in person with the priest or deacon from the parish of the Bride. In order to participate in the programme couples will need access to the cloud platform Zoom preferably on a laptop or PC. All programme materials are sent by post to the address indicated on the booking form prior to the commencement of the programme.

The Virtual Marriage Preparation Programme is collaborative between the couples and the Accord facilitating team. All couple discussions are completely private and confidential. In order to maximise the benefits from the programme couples are encouraged to book their marriage preparation programme a minimum of six months in advance of their wedding date. As programmes are delivered through Zoom you are welcome to book through any Accord Centre. We very much look forward to welcoming you on an Accord Marriage Preparation Programme. For further information contact ACCORD at 01 5053112 (Monday - Friday 9am - 5pm) or Email : marriagepreparation@accord.ie Newcastle West Office Tel 069-61000

Accord CLG Online Counselling Accord also offers support to couples or individuals who are experiencing difficulties in their marriage. In addition to in person counselling, Accord are also offering Online Counselling. For further information email on their dedicated Email Address onlinecounselling@accord.ie
 The local office for ACCORD in West Limerick is located at the Parish Centre, Newcastle West, Tel 069-61000.

We congratulate all those who got married over the Christmas period here in Abbeyfeale. We wish them every happiness in the years ahead.

Making your Will

Please remember Abbeyfeale Parish as a beneficiary in your will. Donations made in this manner will greatly assist the parish in proclaiming the Gospel.
 The parish appreciates such thoughtfulness and generosity

Pilgrimage to Medjugorje Departing from Shannon to Mostar September 7th to 14th Half board accommodation full religious programme operated by Marian pilgrimages Fare 725euro for names received before Jan 31st
 Details from
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