



Abbeyfeale Parish News

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Intentions for this weekend

6.30pm Jim Ahern, Shanbally Anniv.
Special Intention (get well)

9.15am Mary & John Shannon Main Street Anniv.
Willie Riordan Upper Purt Anniv.

12noon Johnny & Mary Flynn Banard Anniv.

Mon 7pm Margaret (Peg) O Grady Month
Mind

Tues 10am Pro Populo
Private Intention

7pm Tuesday Rehearsal for confirmation

Wed 10.30am Confirmation Ceremony

Thurs 10am Lay Led Liturgy

Friday 10am Lay Led Liturgy

Sat 11am Mossie Regan, Meenkilly Anniv.

Intentions for next weekend

6.30pm Bob Browne, Church Street Anniv.
Tom Will Joe Collins, the Hill
and London month s mind

9.15am

12noon Luke (Stanley) O'Brien, Colbert Terrace
Tom Flynn and deceased family members

Perpetual Help Novena on Friday's @ 10am

St Anthony's Novena each Monday evening @ 7pm
Mass

Trocaire boxes are available
at the doors of the church.



**“Change your thoughts
and you change your world”**

Confirmation:

On Wednesday of this week Bishop Brendan Leahy will visit the parish to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation. All parishioners are welcome to attend the Mass on Wednesday morning at 10.30am. We pray for the 71 young parishioners who are receiving Confirmation. As our young people celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit into their lives we pray that this celebration of Confirmation will bring an outpouring of the Holy Spirit on all parishioners.

Lent and Eucharistic Adoration

Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of the season of Lent. This year Ash Wednesday falls on the 26th of February. Over the coming two weeks Catholics will be reflecting on what they will do for Lent this year. Some will take on the challenge of a fast. Others will decide to do some charitable works. Most parishioners will try to give a little more time to prayer. Would you consider giving an hour or some part of an hour each week during Lent to prayer before the Blessed Sacrament? Catholics all over the world who spend time in prayer before the Blessed Sacrament find it a very life giving experience. It renews their hope, it brings them closer to God and many find it to be a time where they can humbly unburden themselves in the presence of the Lord.

If you would like to take on this challenge for Lent, and you are interested in spending some time in prayer in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament, you are encouraged to select a day of the week that suits you and a time that is practical for you. Then make a commitment to for Lord for Lent.

This weekend and for the next ten days a timetable where you can sign up for Adoration during Lent will be located on a table behind the Tabernacle in the church. Select a time and a day of the week that is suitable for you. Write your name on the timetable. Make a promise to the Lord that you will do your best to be faithful to your hour of prayer. Mother Teresa of Calcutta said that

“Eucharistic Adoration opens up the floodgates of God's merciful Love upon the world.” She continued *“A Holy Hour of adoration helps bring everlasting peace to your soul and in your family. It brings us personal peace and strength. It brings us a greater love for Jesus, for each other, and for the poor. Every holy hour deepens our union with Him and bears much fruit.”*

“Coffee with the Canon” A coffee morning in aid of the St Ita's Day Care Centre and in association with Abbeyfeale goes to the Oscars, will be held at the Parochial House on Friday 28th of February from 10.30am to 1.00pm. Fr Tony and Fr Shoji will be serving Indian Tea and Coffee. All are welcome.



A **variety Concert** is being staged at Fr. Casey's GAA Club, Abbeyfeale on Saturday 22nd February commencing at 8pm. Sharp. Proceeds to Abbeyfeale A Night at The OsKaRs, which is in aid of St Ita's Voluntary Housing and Day Care Centre. Tickets are on sale in Ann Lyons, The Ploughman's, Esthers and Kathleen's Foodstore.

SONG CONTEST AT THE PLOUGHMAN: Steve Smith will be in Misery which is one of the films in Abbeyfeale's Night at the OsKaRs and as part of his fundraising efforts for St. Ita's Day Care his family are organising a Song Contest. Singers, who will be sponsored, will be asked to compete on the night of Friday, February 28 at the Ploughman in the Square. So, if you are addicted to the Eurovision and often thought you'd be better yourself now's your chance! Further information and for your chance at fame contact 087 9247533.

LOVE KNOTS AT FR. CASEY'S: The last two evenings of Abbeyfeale Drama Group comedy by Jimmy Keary will be staged on Saturday 15 and Sunday February 16 at Fr. Casey's Clubhouse. Doors open 7.15pm, Show 8pm sharp.

HAVEN: If you have a problem with alcohol or drugs you are welcome to join a confidential group called Haven who meet on Thursday nights from 7 – 8.30pm in the parish office. For further information contact 087 7662865/087 4270374.

Abbeyfeale Parents and Toddlers group : 11am – 12.30pm every Tuesdays (only) **St Ita's Hall**. Contact Mary on 087 9382883.

COMMUNITY SUBSTANCE MISUSE TEAM: A free and confidential service for under 18's and their families impacted by substance misuse is provided on the first Wednesday of the month in **St. Ita's Hall** from 2.30pm – 5pm. Contact Kristeen Laing 086 4141854.

ARDFERT RETREAT CENTRE:

Love Yourself, Heal Your Life: Juliana Murphy, Fri 28th Feb. to Sun 1st March. Workshop based on the philosophy of Louise Hay. Contact 0872915343.

Change Your thinking Change Your Life: Juliana Murphy & Anne O' Donnell, 6 week Personal Development Course, starts Tues. 3rd March, 7.30pm-9.00pm. Contact 0872915343.

The work of Byron Katie: Clodagh O'Mara, Fri. 6th to Sun. 8th March, Contact 0863741017.

The Art of Allowing: Fr. Louis Hughes OP, Sat. 7th March 10am-2pm. Phone: 7134276.

A Creative Writing Weekend Retreat: Madge O'Callaghan, Residential weekend of writing using the AWA method. Fri. 20th to Sun 22nd March. Contact 0863218848.

HELPLINE FOR MEN SUFFERING DOMESTIC ABUSE:

A new helpline has been set up and will operate 36 hours a week on 1800816588.

GLÓRACH, Abbeyfeale –

On Friday Feb. 21st at 8pm, **DAOIRÍ FARRELL** in concert.

Daoiri has headlined Folk Festivals from England to America to Canada & Australia and has toured in 4 of the 7 continents. Christy Moore says Daoiri is “always a treat”, so spoil yourself and luxuriate in the company of Daoiri for an evening of Folk & Trad music & song.

On Friday Feb 28th at 8pm, D'Unbelievable **JON KENNY** with his hilarious one-man play, **CROW-MAN**, which has played to rave reviews, at venues large and small, the length & breadth of the country.

To reserve a seat call 087 1383940 or email glorachabbeyfeale@gmail.com

DESERT DAY IN PREPARATION FOR LENT

A Desert Day will take place in Westbourne, Ashbourne Avenue on **Saturday, February 29th from 10.30 to 5.00**. The day will give you an opportunity to enter more deeply into the season of Lent in the peaceful surroundings of Westbourne Convent. There will be time for quiet prayer, reflection, the Sacrament of Reconciliation and will conclude with the Eucharist. Booking is essential as places are limited.

For information contact: Sr. Phyllis Moynihan at 0879636893

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