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ABBEYFEALE PARISH NEWS

Parish Pastoral Unit Abbeyfeale, Athea, Templeglantine, Tournafulla Mountcollins

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St Patricks Day



Co Parish Priests

Fr Tony Mullins 087/2600414

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Priest on Duty for the Area this Sunday – Emergency calls Fr John Keating 087/6322212

Intentions for this weekend

6.30pm Peter Healy, The Hill 6th Anniv.

Margaret & Ned Leahy and their son

Emmett the Millstream and deceased family members.

Kitty & Sonny Doody, New Street Anniv. Thomas & Jerry O'Connor, Knockbrack, Knocknagoshel Anniv.

9.15am William Riordan, Upper Purt Month Mind

12noon Tom Scanlon. Anniv.

John O'Brien 24 Paric Luachra Month Mind

Mon 7pm Tues 10am Wed 10am Pro Populo Thurs 10am Friday 10am Sat 11am

Intentions for next weekend

6.30pm Kitty Fitzgerald, Railway bar 8th Anniv. Paddy & Kit Donovan and deceased family members John Brennan Senior & Junior USA & Killarney road.

9.15am Ita O'Connell, Kilmanihan Anniv.Fintan & Mary Ann Collins Knocknasna Anniv.12noon

Mon 7pm Peggy Moloney, Knocknasna anniv.

Ar scáth a chéile a mhaireann na daoine we live in one another's shadow

Lectio Divina

Will take place during Lent Each Friday morning at approx. 10.20 after the 10am Mass. Reading and meditation on the gospel for the following Sunday with the aim of making the gospel a reality in our lives. All are welcome.

Stations of the Cross will take place before mass each Friday 9.45am during Lent.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Adoration recommences on Monday at 8am for 13 hours 8am – 9pm. Monday to Friday.

The chart is beside the tabernacle if you wish to sign for an hour. There are some places vacant on the chart.

Saint Patrick's Day

Fáilte romhaimh go léir

St Patrick was a stranger in Ireland and even a slave, maybe he did not always feel welcome. Maybe we have people who have come from other countries with us at Mass here today.

To make sure they feel welcome could we all turn to the people near us and say to each other: "Fáilte romhat- welcome".

We welcome our Priest from India who is concelebrating Mass here today and wish him every blessing here in Abbeyfeale and I am sure you will give him a Céad Míle Fáilte.

Confiteor in Irish

Admhaím do Dhia uíle chumhachtach agus daoibhse, a bhráithre, gur pheachaigh mé go trom le smaoineamh agus le briathar, le gníomh agus le faillí, trí mo choir féin, trí mo choir féin, trí mo mhórchoir féin Ar an ábhar sin, impím ar NaomhMhuire siorÓgh ar na haingil agus ar na naoimh, agus oraibhse, a bhráithre, guí ar mo shon chun an Tiarna Dia.

Hymn to St. Patrick

Hail glorious Saint Patrick, dear saint of our isle, On us thy poor children bestow a sweet smile And now thou art high in the mansions above, On Erin's green valleys look down in thy love (3)

Ever bless and defend the dear land of our birth Where shamrock still blooms as when thou wert on earth, Our hearts shall still burn wheresoever we roam, For God and Saint Patrick, and our native home. (3)

Dóchas Linn Naomh Pádraig

Dóchas Linn naomh Pádraig, aspal mór na hEireann, Ainm oirdhearc gléigeal, solas mór an tsaoil é. 'Se do chloigh na draoithe croithe dura gan aon mhaith, D'isligh dream an diomais tre neart De ar dTrean-Fhlaith

Sléibhte,gleannta, maighe'a bailte mór'na hÉireann Glan séiad go deo dúinn, míle glóir dár naomh dhil, Iarr'mid ort, a Phadraig,guí orainn na Gaela, Dia linn lá'gus oíche's Pádraig aspal Éireann.

St Patrick's Day wish for you

For each petal on the shamrock, this brings a wish your way-Good health, good luck, and happiness For today and every day.

Happy St Patrick's Day

Enjoy the Parade at 4pm.



Lent - a time for turning on the light of God's love in the world.

A reflection from Mother Teresa of Calcutta

In a place in Dublin I visited an old man whom nobody seemed to know existed. I saw his room; it was in a terrible state, I wanted to clean it, but he kept on saying: "I'm alright." I didn't say a word, yet in the end he allowed me to clean his room. There was beautiful lamp in that room covered in the dirt of many years. I asked him: "Why do you not light the lamp?" "For whom?" he asked. "Nobody comes to me; I do not need the lamp." I asked him: "will you light the lamp if I send a sister to see you." "Yes," he said, "if I hear a human voice, I will do it." The other day he sent me word: "Tell my friend that the light she has lighted in my life is still burning."

- Blessed Mother Teresa of Calcutta, A Gift for God: Prayers and Meditations, (Harper San Francisco, 1996)

Blessed Chiara Luce Badano

In his Pastoral Letter for Lent, Bishop Leahy has introduced us to Blessed Chiara Luce Badano, a young Italian girl who was born in Sassello, Italy in 1971. She was an average girl who liked to sing and play tennis. She never did anything "big" like found a hospital or religious order, but she went to Church regularly and tried to love God and live the Gospel in her life. For instance, one day when she was little her mother asked her to clear the table, but Chiara Luce refused and left the room. She soon came back, though, saying, "How does that story from the Gospel go about the father who asks his son to go to the vineyard... Mommy, help me put my apron on". She knew it was important to do the will of God, even when you don't want to. As she grew up she liked to hang out with her friends, and tried to share the Gospel with them, she explained, "by the way I listen to them, by the way I dress and above all, by the way I love them."

When she was 17 a sharp pain in her shoulder was diagnosed as osteosarcoma, an aggressive bone cancer. The prognosis was grim and Chiara Luce struggled to say "yes" to this will of God for her, but she did. Each time a new, painful treatment was performed she would say, "For you, Jesus; if you want it, I want it too!" In October 1990, Chiara Luce died at home. But her story doesn't end there. People became so inspired by the life and holiness of this "average" girl that her bishop opened the cause for her sainthood. In September 2010 she was declared "Blessed" (or one step away from becoming a saint) at a ceremony attended by over 25,000 people from 57 countries.

Not bad for a small-town girl who never sought fame.

OPEN DAY: An invitation has been issued by the Board of St Ita's Sheltered Housing to their Open Day on Saturday April 27. There will be a cup of tea in the Day Care Centre following the unveiling of a plaque in honour of the late Canon Neville whose brainchild the Sheltered Housing was.

The evening will conclude with music by Lost Souls at The Winners' Circle.

Athea Lourdes Pilgrimage

A Variety Concert in aid of the Athea Lourdes Invalid Fund will take place in St Bartholomew's Church, Athea on Sunday 31st March at 7pm Tickets €10.

Limerick Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes will take place this year from June 20th to 25th. All Assisted (Invalid) Pilgrims applications to be submitted to Lourdes Office before the end of April.

Details and cost will be on the notice board at the entrance of the Church.

Lourdes Invalid Collection takes place here on 23/24th March