



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



Jesus is the reason
for the season of
Christmas.
Keep Christ in
Christmas

19th Dec 2021

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Sunday Duty Priest on Call

Fr Denis Mullane, Templeglantine Parish is on call this *Sunday 19th December* for all emergency calls in the area.

Fr Mullane can be contacted on **087-2621911**.

Mass intentions for this weekend

6.30pm Edward & Kate Reilly and deceased family members

Philly & Donie Cusack, Cratloe
Mary Enright, Caherlane Anniv
Rickie Loughane Anniv.
Geraldine Woulfe, Cratloe Anniv.

10am Mick Scanlon Athea Anniv
John & Mary Collins and son John and daughter Margaret and deceased family members
John Ruane 26 Cryle View Close 5th Anniv.

12noon Jim O'Connell, 4 St Ita's Road Anniv.
John Murphy & Noreen Murphy Ballaugh
Mike Barry Caherlane Anniv.
Phyl O'Kelly, Killarney Road Anniv
Eileen Cahill and Paddy Cahill, Hannah O'Neill and Dano O'Neill and deceased family members
Jim Lane, New Street Anniv.
Mary O'Brien Anniv.
Paddy Lane, Ballaugh 2nd Anniv.

Mass intentions for the week

Mon 7pm William & Julia Madden Dually Anniv.
Anne Lyons The Square 1st Anniv.
Shelia Timothy Murphy, Knocknagoshel

Tues 10am Pro Populo

Wed 10am **Thurs 10am**

Christmas Eve 5pm and 7.30pm Pro Populo

Christmas Day 8am 10am 12noon

Sunday 26th St Stephen's Day

10am

12noon Bridie Haughton, Collins Park. Anniv.
Noreen O'Rourke, Clash Road Anniv.
Joan Ahern Anniv.

Jeremiah & Noreen Healy Upper Knocknasna
John Broderick and his daughter Kathleen
Knocknasna & Adelaide

Mon 27th 7pm Noreen O'Rourke, Clash Road
2nd Anniversary.

Christmas Masses

Mass will be celebrated in Abbeyfeale Church on Christmas Eve at 5.00pm and 7.30pm. Mass on Christmas Day will be at 8.00am, 10.00am and 12noon. Tickets for all Masses will be distributed in the church this Sunday 19th December between 2.00pm and 4.00 pm. Tickets will be distributed on a first come, first served basis. Unfortunately, it is not possible to accommodate all who wish to attend Christmas Mass. According to the public health rules for the hosting of indoor events, the capacity of a venue is reduced to 50%. Two metres socially distancing of people is still required. While this enables us to accommodate more people than attended Mass last Christmas, we still have a much-reduced capacity. All our Christmas ceremonies will be broadcast on www.churchservices.tv.ie and on the church Radio. Tune into 107 FM. You can also access the webcam service on the parish website www.abbeyfealeparish.ie

This year St Stephen's falls on Sunday. Mass on Sunday 26th at 10.00am and 12noon. You may decide to make one of these Masses your Christmas Mass.

Come to Bethlehem

An Invitation to all Families in our parish

Due to the restrictions on Mass attendance it is not possible to accommodate all who would like to attend Mass this Christmas, but we are inviting all families to make a short visit to the Church on Christmas Eve, to visit and pray as a family at the Crib. You are also encouraged to bring the baby Jesus from your own home Nativity set to be blessed. On returning home the youngest member of the family can place the baby Jesus in the family crib. The Church will be open on Christmas Eve from 1.00pm to 4.00pm Fr Tony & Fr Dan will be there to greet you and to give your family a Christmas blessing. Entrance through the front door of the Church.

Covid Prayer

Eternal Father, we come before you, united in the name of Jesus.
We pray to you through the intercession of Our Lady of Limerick,
Health of the Sick and Comforter of the Afflicted.

We ask you to look after those who are ill from Covid.
Speak words of comfort to all who are anxious, bereaved or stressed.
Sustain us as this Covid crisis can wear us down.

Come to the aid especially of those providing frontline services.
Help us to draw light from the uncertainty of these times,

that we may slow down and look out for one another,
listen more attentively to the voice of the Holy Spirit,
take better care of the planet, our common home,
work together in social friendship
for the common good, value the gift of family,
and act humbly before your mysterious plans.

Grant us through the Holy Spirit
that we may trust more in your promises
to protect and strengthen us,
and that with new eyes we might see more clearly
the loving signs of your merciful love
surrounding us.

Amen.

Holy Communion Call

If any parishioner who has been unable to come to Mass for one reason or another would like to receive Holy Communion for Christmas please contact the sacristy on 068 51915 any morning at 10.30am.

Christmas Dues

The Christmas Dues Collection will be taken up at all Masses this weekend, on Christmas Eve and on Christmas Day.

Fr Tony thanks you for your generosity and support during the past year.

Christmas Newsletter

A special Christmas Newsletter will be available on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day.

Advent Wreath - Prayer for the Fourth Sunday of Advent.

In this Fourth Week of Advent, our final days of preparation before Christmas, we ask Christ to forgive us for our sins and, through His grace, to create us anew when He comes.

Prayer: Light the fourth candle and pray –

Lord Jesus, we approach that holy moment when Your coming as man is renewed in our hearts. Give us peace and allow us to celebrate Your presence with joy, that we may someday share Your glory. We ask this of You, who live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, as One God, now and forever. (Say 1 Our Father and 3 Hail Mary's and pray that all members of your family will be blessed with the Peace and Joy this Christmas

St Vincent de Paul

The members of the Abbeyfeale St. Vincent de Paul group would like to thank everyone who contributed to the annual Christmas appeal last weekend. Your generosity will be of enormous benefit to those in need in our community this Christmas and in the New Year.

Noonan's Christmas Lights Display

Why not visit Wonderland in Templeglantine. Noonan's Lights for Charity are now open to the public. Lights on until the 6th of January 2022. For more information phone 069-84108/ 086-2792663.

Abbeyfeale Christmas Lights Group. Would like to thank you all for helping and contributing in any way towards making our town the brightest town around. We are solely depending on your generosity. Donations can still be handed into Marie McElligotts and Esters shop. We wish you and yours a healthy and safe Christmas and a bright new year for 2022

Death

We offer our sympathy to the family of Christina Harnett, Dromtrasna north/Tralee whose funeral took place on Thursday. May she rest in peace.

Graveyard Ribbons Reilig Ide Noafa

There will be ribbons available in the graveyard on Sunday from 1pm to 3pm. There will also be a donations bucket there if people would like to contribute as there has been no Collection over the last two years all donations are very welcome.

Thanks to the committees of the Graveyards and Tus workers who have kept the graveyards in excellent condition over the summer months. Well done to all.

