

# **ABBEYFEALE PARISH NEWS**

# 23rd July 2017

## 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Fr Tony Mullins PP 087/2600414 Fr Joseph Foley CC	Mass Times in the Pastoral Area over the summerAbbeyfealeSaturday evening @ 7pmSunday at 9.30am & 12noon
Tel: Mobile : 087 - 2618412 Fr Brendan Duggan 087/0562674	Athea Saturday evening @ 7.30pm Sunday @ 11a
Parish Office: Parish Church 068/51915 Open 11:00 – 1:00 p.m. Tues Fri. (068) 31133 Email: fealechurch@eircom.net	TempleglantineSaturday evening @ 6pm Sunday Morning @ 10.30am
Limerick Social Services: 061-314111 Accord NCW 069/61000	Tournafulla Sunday morning 11am
Priest on Duty for Emergency only Rev M Noonan 087/6796217 Ardagh	Mountcollins Saturday evening @ 7.30pm

#### Intentions for this weekend

Sat 7pm	<b>n</b> Mathew O'Connor, Dromtrasna Anniv.	
9.30am	Larry Collins, Killarney Rd. Anniv	
	Fionnuala O'Donnell, Caherhayes	
	5th Anniv.	
	Jim & Nora Fealy, Ballybehy Anniv.	
12pm	Jerimiah Healy Knocknasna &	
John Broderick Adelaide & Knocknasna		

#### Mass Intentions for during the week

Mon 7pm Lucy & Cornelius O'Rourke, The Hill **Tues 10am** Wed. 10am Charlie Fealy and deceased family members Thurs. 10am Patjoe & Mary Woulfe, St Ita's Terrace Anniv. Fri. 10am Mass Intentions for next weekend 7pm Margaret Woulfe, Kilconlea Lower Anniv. 9.30am Margaret & Con Flynn, Main St Anniv. Gerard O'Brien, Ballybehy Anniv. **12noon** Luke Scannell, Clash Road Anniv. Colm Mangan, Knocknagoshel Ministers for July 30th D E F Readers for July 30th Team 4

Reilig Ide Naofa Graveyard Mass will take place on Thursday 17th Aug @ 7.30pm

#### ST. ITA'S FAITH CAMP.

Registration for Faith Camp is taking place in St Mary's Boys School on Tuesday 18 July 7-8pm AND on Wed. 19 July 8-9pm Contact Martina 087-2788834 or Lorraine 086-3765751 Camp dates are : Tue Aug 1<sup>st</sup>- Fri Aug 4<sup>th</sup>

#### Wedding Congratulations

We congratulate Nora Anne Murphy and Micheál Scanlon who celebrated the Sacrament

of Marriage here in Abbeyfeale on Friday 21st July. We wish them every happiness in their married life together.



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#### Amazing Grace

Amazing grace! how sweet the sound, that saved a wretch like me! I once was lost but now am found, was blind but now I see.

Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved; how precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed!

#### Here I am Lord

I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard My people cry. All who dwell in dark and sin, My hand will save. I who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright. Who will bear My light to them? Whom shall I send?

*Here I am Lord, Is it I, Lord?* I have heard You calling in the night. I will go Lord, if You lead me. I will hold Your people in my heart.

I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my people's pain. I have wept for love of them, They turn away. I will break their hearts of stone. Give them hearts for love alone. I will speak My word to them Whom shall I send?

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#### Welcome to Fr Richard Keane

Fr Richard Keane a priest of the diocese who has just returned from studies in Canada will be assisting at weekend Masses in Abbeyfeale and Athea from now until the end of August. In September Fr Richard takes up his new appointment as Administrator of the parish of Cratloe, Co. Clare and also with the marriage tribunal offices in Cork for two days a week. Fr Richard ministered in Newcastle West prior to going to Canada.

### East Africa Crisis: Your help is urgently needed

Over 24 million people are facing malnutrition and the threat of famine across South Sudan, Somalia, Kenya and Ethiopia due to prolonged drought. Trócaire is currently reaching over 150,000 people across the East Africa region with emergency food, water, sanitation and healthcare. In response to this crises a special collection is taking place this weekend throughout Ireland.

We are all invited to do what we can to help alleviate the suffering caused by famine and drought. If you forgot to bring something to Mass this weekend or was not aware of the special collection we will accept donations during the week and at all Masses next weekend.

Trócaire provides humanitarian assistance and long-term support to communities in over 20 countries across Africa, Asia, Latin America and the Middle East. Last year, 2.6 million people directly benefited from our overseas programmes. In Ireland, we raise awareness about the root causes of poverty and inequality, and campaign on justice issues. For more information go to www.trocaire.org

#### A Word from Pope Francis

"Migrants are our brothers and sisters in search of a better life, far away from poverty, hunger, and war"

#### **Eucharistic Adoration**

Sometimes people question 'What is Adoration?' Understood simply, Eucharistic Adoration is adoring or honouring the Eucharistic Presence of Christ. In a deeper sense, it involves "the contemplation of the Mystery of Christ truly present before us". During Eucharistic Adoration, we "watch and wait", we remain "silent" in His Presence and open ourselves to His Graces which flow from the Eucharist. By worshiping the Eucharistic Jesus, we become what God wants us to be! Like a magnet, the Lord draws us to Himself and gently transforms us. In its fullest essence ... Eucharistic Adoration is "God and Man reaching out for each other, at the same time!"

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# National Novena 2017, Knock Shrine.

The National Novena to Our Lady of Knock offers nine days of reflection and prayer and a chance to reconnect with your faith in a sacred space. The programme for this year includes a wonderful line-up of guest speakers and workshops to help enrich and enliven faith. The theme is 'Living Life to the Full' and as the title suggests, there will be a strong focus on appreciating the gift of life and finding beauty in the everyday. The Novena will open on Monday 14th August with Dr Mary Healy, international speaker on scripture and healing, followed by Redemptorists Fr Seamus Enright, CSsR and Fr Michael Cusack, CSsR on Tuesday 15th.



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#### Former Manchester United footballer enjoying life as

a priest By Sean Ryan - 16 July, 2017

A former Manchester United footballer turned priest has spoken for the first time about how being a €600,000 a year footballer left him feeling unfulfilled. Belfast-born Fr Philip Mulryne OP was recently ordained a Dominican priest. He celebrated his first Mass in Belfast on 10 July and will take up a position as chaplain at Newbridge College in Co. Kildare in August.

Speaking to RTÉ's Sean O'Rourke about his decision to become a priest, Fr Philip (39) said that while he enjoyed his 13 years as a professional footballer which saw him play for Manchester United, Norwich and Northern Ireland, he eventually fell out of love with a

He added: "There's no running away from that. I obviously lived the life of a footballer and it's well documented. Things were given to young men very quickly."

Speaking about the lifestyle he said, "I had a Ferrari 360 Modena. I always said to myself, if I get to the Premier League with Norwich I'll buy one of these. This was my dream car as a child. I had it for three months, then I sold it. I got bored of it."

He continued: "At the age of 20 I had to stop and think, why is this stuff not satisfying me? I'm bored, it's not enough, nothing's ever

Fr Philip explained that he hit a low point after a World Cup Qualifier to England in 2005. He was sent home for breaking a curfew and going drinking. He said, "It was a turning point, it made me reflect more. "As a footballer you're caught up in the whole way of life. You never stop to take stock and think, this isn't going to last forever. What am I going to do after?"

He took a year out of football in 2009 to return to Belfast, and later decided not to return to the game. He added, "I have to say I found it tremendously liberating and freeing. To be caught up in that rat race of always accumulating and the pressure it brings, it was making me restless. The notion of living very simply from a faith perspective was very attractive to me."