



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



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Intentions for weekend

6.30pm Patrick Broderick, Dromtrasna Collins 4th Anniv.
 Bridget White Knocknasna Lower and deceased family members
 Fr Joe Foley 2nd Anniv.

10am Hannah Browne 4th and Tom Browne 37th Anniv.
 Knocknasna

12noon Margaret Woulfe, St Ita's Terrace Anniv.
 Jeremiah & Mary Foley, St Itas Road Anniv.

Intentions for the week

Mon 7pm Bridget O'Mara, Church Street Anniv.
 Jerry Lennihan Anniv.
 Richie Roche, Ballybehy Anniv.

Tues 10am Pro Populo

Wed 10am Special Intention sudden death

Thurs 10am Michael Griffin Anniv.

Fri 10am Purgatorial

Intentions for next weekend

6.30pm Hughie Mac Authur 5th Anniv.
 Mossie Lane, Carrigeen Brosna Anniv.
 Jimmy Galvin, Ballaugh Anniv.

10am Mary B McEnery, Dromtrasna Anniv.

12noon Pro Populo

Deaths during the month

We wish to express our sympathy to the families who lost a loved one over the last month here in Abbeyfeale.

Nuala Maher nee Fitzgerald
 Teresa McCarthy nee O'Sullivan
 Bridget Sorohan nee O'Donnell
 Betty O' Sullivan nee Barrett
 Nora Walledge nee Moroney.

May they rest in peace Amen.

September – A Time for New Beginnings

This weekend we are resuming the publication of our parish newsletter. It's a time of year for new beginnings and making a fresh start. By the end of this week all our schools will be open as the new school year begins. It is a time of transition from the work and leisure of summer back to the classroom. It is transition from time spent with family and friends. We wish all our children and young people every blessing as the new school year begins. It's a new beginning with endless opportunities for learning, making new friends and for growing in every possible way.

We pray for our teachers, special needs assistants and all school staff members as they return to work. We wish them every success in the year ahead. September is a time of new beginnings filled with excitement, adventure, and some anxiety too. We pray that God will give all pupils a new perspective to see fellow students, teachers, events, and school work as an invitation to develop the many gifts that God have given them to be used in service for others. Let us support each other on this journey. Let us encourage each other to make the best of our time and be there for one another as a new school term begins.

Congratulations – Leaving Cert Class 2023

Congratulations to all leaving cert students who received their exam results on Friday. Ahead of the results announcement, Bishop Brendan Leahy, Bishop of Limerick, said it's important that the exams are put into perspective as they do not define people's lives. Bishop Leahy continued, *"These exams are, of course, academically important at this stage of their lives but there is no one I know who would look back thirty years or so later and say their life course was set just by their Leaving Cert weeks. So there does need to be a level of perspective put here, that if the exams don't work out as the students hope, other doors can open."* We wish all students every success as a new chapter in their lives opens up for them.

Prayer for Children returning to School

Lord, I pray for students and learners. Give them minds that are eager to learn. Give them courage to ask good questions, confidence to take risks, and the discipline to focus and study. I pray for quality friendships and safety in and out of the classroom. I pray for the children who struggle with anxiety and fear; may they feel your perfect love surround them, and give them the courage to get through each day. I pray that learning is engaging, valuable, and exciting. Give our students focus and direction as they prepare for what lies ahead.



DO YOU NEED TO TALK: the Samaritans 24 hour service on 116123 or Pieta House 24 hour service [1800 247 247](tel:1800247247).

Baptisms in Abbeyfeale will be celebrated on the **first Saturday** of each month at 5.00pm. Also, on the **second Sunday** of the month after the 12noon Mass. Contact the Sacristy 068/51915 during Mass Times.

Parish office 086/8661651 Anne Secretary 11am to 1pm.

The Season of Creation 2023

The Season of Creation has a special significance for the Catholic Church, particularly since Pope Francis established 1 September as an annual *World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation*. The Season of Creation is marked throughout the Christian world from 1 September to 4 October (Feast of Saint Francis of Assisi) and celebrates the joy of creation as well as encouraging awareness-raising initiatives to protect the natural environment. This year's theme is "Let Justice and Peace Flow" taking inspiration from the Prophet Amos who declares: "Let justice roll on like a river, righteousness like a never-failing stream!" (Amos 5: 24). And so we are called to join the river of justice and peace, to take up climate and ecological justice, and to speak out with and for communities most impacted by climate injustice and the loss of biodiversity. As the people of God, we must work together on behalf of all Creation, as part of that mighty river of peace and justice.

Eucharist Adoration: Limerick Diocesan Adoration Committee is taking on new members to further the practice of Eucharistic Adoration in the Diocese. You are welcome to attend a preliminary meeting in St. Nessans Parish centre, Raheen V94 ED2C on Saturday Sept. 16th starting with Mass at 10AM. Refreshments served, please contact Tommie/Maureen at 086-0401789 / 087-6497382 to book a place.

Wedding Bells

Congratulations to
 Stephen Behan and Sophie Kennedy
 Darren Mc Alinden and Lisa Dalton
 Niall Harnett and Chloe Quirke



Whose weddings took place in the last month in Abbeyfeale.

And to Orla Moloney and Tom Cronin who celebrated the sacrament of marriage here on Saturday 26th August. We wish them all every happiness in their married life together

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