



ABBHEYFEALE PARISH NEWS



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Third Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

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Intentions for this weekend

6.30pm	Leah Harnett 10th Anniv Betty McCarthy , Knockbrack 2nd
9.15am	Denis McEnery
12noon	Ita Lewis & Richard (Dick) Murphy, 1st Anniv, Knocknasna Michael O'Connell, Dromtrasna.
Mon 7pm	Sila O'Mahony, The Hill & Galway
Tues 10am	Danial Sheehy Anniv.
Wed 10am	Pro Populo
Thurs 10am	Rico Kelly, 17 Radharc Na Feile Anniv.
Fri 10am	Purgatorial Society
Sat 11am	

Intentions for next weekend

6.30pm	Bernadette O'Connor, Knocknasna Anniv. Peggy Foley, Ballaugh Anniv.
9.15am	Garret & Hannah Mai Stack & Michael & John Stack David Ward, Ballaugh Anniv.
12noon	Patrick Broderick and his daughter Hannah Eily Lane, New Street Anniv. Paddy & Nancy Fitzgerald, Meenahela

Mass Times in the Pastoral Area Unit;

Abbeyfeale	Saturday 6.30pm Sunday 9.15am & 12noon.
Athea	Saturday 7.30pm Sunday 10.30am.
Mountcollins	Sunday 11am.
Templeglantine	Saturday 6pm and Sunday 10am.
Tournafulla	Saturday 7.30pm.

Recent Deaths:

We offer our sympathy to the family of Nora Mary O'Sullivan, Knocknasna whose funeral took place on Sunday. May she rest in peace

Friday 1st February, Feast Day of St Brigid:

St Brigid is renowned for her hospitality, almsgiving and care of the sick. She was born in the year 454. Her father had planned for her to be married, but Brigid insisting in dedicating her life to God. She spent her formative years under the direction of St Mel in Ardagh, Co. Longford. With the assistance of Bishop Conleth she established a monastery in Kildare. She died in 524 and her cult is widespread not only throughout Ireland but in several European countries. St Brigid's Cross, in legend was used by Brigid to explain the Christian Faith and remains to this day a popular sign of God's protection. St Brigid is also associated with the coming of Spring. Spring the season of hope and new life. Brigid who was so immersed in nature would want us to respect and appreciate the gift of God's creation. We are slowly awakening to the importance of caring for the environment that we are so blessed to live in.

Saturday 2nd of February, Feast of the Presentation of the Lord (Candlemas Day):

Candles will be blessed at the 11.00a.m Mass on Saturday morning. This year we are already oversupplied with large long candles, so we are asking parishioners not to give this type of candles to the Church. However, if parishioners wish to make a donation for other sized candles your donations towards the purchase of these candles will be grateful received. Parishioners are welcome to bring candles to be blessed that will be used at home throughout the year.

Sunday 3rd of February, The Feast of St Blaise:

Since the 8th century St Blaise, bishop and martyr, has been venerated as the patron of those who suffer from diseases of the throat. Due to large congregations and time constraints it will not be possible to give individual blessings of throats next Sunday. However there will be a special prayer and blessing given to the congregation after Holy Communion at all Masses next weekend.

World Youth Day: Pope Francis has asked for our prayers during this special gathering of young Catholics in the world. World Youth Day is taking place in Panama all this week.

Perpetual Help Novena on Friday's @ 10am

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

Catholic Schools: Celebrating the Work of Our Local Catholic Schools

Catholic Schools Week 2019 begins on this Sunday, 27th January, and its theme is 'Catholic Schools:

[Celebrating the Work of Our Local Catholic Schools](#)'. This is the eleventh year of Catholic Schools Week and, while we

celebrate our Catholic schools each year, this year we acknowledge in a special way their wonderful contribution to the mission of the Church, both in our local parish, and throughout the wider Church.

As Irish society changes, it is important that we reflect on the unique contribution of Catholic schools to our collective goal of education. Each Catholic school shares an ethos that is inclusive, welcoming and vibrant. Each school works towards a vision of each student as made in the likeness and image of God. This means that we work towards helping each child, irrespective of background, ethnicity or creed, reach their full potential academically, spiritually and socially. To be in the likeness and image of God means that we have the capacity to truly care for ourselves, each other and the environment around us.

While each Catholic school shares this profound commitment to this vision, every school does this differently. Each school is influenced by the community it serves; be it large urban schools, small rural schools, schools with a wide variety of ethnicity's and every school in between. For this reason, every Catholic school works in a unique and distinctive manner in educating each child to holistically develop their talent, skills and potential.

Saint Paul writes in his first letter to the Corinthians; 'For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ.' Each Catholic school is a vital member of the one community which is called to work towards the Kingdom of God. Each Catholic school contributes to this mission in a unique way. During this week, the pupils, staff, parents, grandparents, members of boards and the people of the parish, will show in lots of different ways, that we are proud of our Catholic schools and we celebrate the contribution that they make to our community.

A Word from Pope Francis on Catholic Education

'An education in the fullness of humanity should be the defining feature of Catholic Schools'

Enrolment Applications are now being invited from Parents/Guardians wishing to enrol their children in Scoil Mháthair De, Abbeyfeale. Application Forms are available by contacting the school office on 068 - 31701 or by calling to the school.

The closing date for receipt of Enrolment Application is Friday 15th February.

Glórach will staging John B Keane's The Chastitute on dates Jan 31st & Feb 1st & 2nd. Also, on Feb 7th, 8th, 9th and 10th. Curtain time is 8 p.m. and tickets cost €10, which can be reserved by calling 087 1383940.

Comedy and pathos are never strangers, for long, in the life story of John Bosco McLaine, a rural bachelor farmer, still yearning for marriage, somewhat decrepit, but like the drowning man still clinging to the hope of finding safety and solace in the arms of a good woman."

As soon as The Abbeyside Players finish their run the Abbeyfeale Drama Group take the stage with 'Marriage of Connivance' from February 12.

Tionól Irish Festival 8/9 February

Abbeyfeale's Conradh na Gaeilge branch will be hosting an Irish language weekend, Tionól Chontae Luimnigh, in Fr Casey's Clubhouse on 8th and 9th February. The weekend will celebrate the folklore, music, poetry and history of Abbeyfeale through the Irish language. There will be lectures and a bilingual walking tour of the town, as well as a concert featuring The Flannery Sisters (Eimhear & Caoimhe), Denis Curtin, Riona Ní Churtáin, Dónal Murphy and the Murphy Family. Tickets available at Abbey Tiles, Ph. 068 31109. Fáilte roimhách!

Milford Care Centre wishes to thank you most sincerely for contributing to the church gate collection which took place recently. The amount raised was €1554.62.. We at Milford Care Centre are grateful for all the support we receive. Your contribution makes it possible for us to improve and develop our In-patient and Community Specialist Palliative Care services at Milford Care Centre and to place funds in order to maximise patient comfort and care. Thanks again for your continued support (Anne Marie Hayes Fundraising coordinator)