



# ABBAYFEALE PARISH NEWS

4th Sept 2016 Twenty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

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**Fr. John O' Shea Farewell**

This weekend, we bid a sad farewell to our friend and Parish Priest, Canon John O'Shea, who is leaving us to take up a new ministry with the Parishes of Raheen, Mungret and Crecora. In the fourteen years Canon O'Shea has been with us in Abbeyfeale, he has shared the joys and sorrows of all our families- the joy of baptisms, and weddings, the pain of the death of many elderly and indeed young people. The extent of his contribution to life in Abbeyfeale during his time here can best be measured by the strength of the many bonds he forged throughout the Parish. These bonds will not be easily broken. We are thankful for his tireless work in the community and his wholehearted commitment to his priestly duties. In particular he has been a mentor to the young people of the Parish in working with the Youth Groups and their leaders to ensure they were recognised for the important role they play within the community.

We have always been blessed with a strong Catholic faith in Abbeyfeale, indeed in our Square we have the monument to our former Parish Priest Fr Casey who was also renowned for his work in the Parish and as a powerful friend of the people. With the help of Canon O'Shea, this good work and legacy has continued. We will look forward to welcoming

Canon Tony Mullins as our Parish Priest who will be joining us next week.

Canon O'Shea has provided great leadership to the people of the Parish. He has a wonderful ability to delegate tasks and to encourage others to become involved and play an active role.

Thanks to Canon O'Shea we have a vast array of Parish groups who serve our Church and community.

Canon O'Shea is a priest in the mould of Pope Francis, sincerely interested in people and supportive of the young people within the community. He is a man of the people who understood our needs and concerns and was an ever helpful friend to everyone. We wish to thank him for his dedicated service to the people of the Parish of Abbeyfeale. We thank him for the work he has done, the support he has given and the kindness he has shown to all of us. We also wish to express our sincere appreciation to Fr Joe Foley who has been a great help and support to Canon O'Shea. We also wish to show our appreciation for Canon Neville for his help and support to Canon O'Shea. We are sure Canon O'Shea's good work will continue to live on and will be an everlasting legacy in our Parish. We ask God to bless him and support him as he takes up his new responsibilities.

**Congratulations** to all involved in wishing Fr John a very fitting farewell gathering on Friday evening in the GAA Clubhouse. To the GAA Committee and Fás workers for providing a excellent venue. A huge amount of work done by them for preparing for the evening. To Ann's Catering service for providing a wonderful meal as always. To Jeremiah Roche for providing the music. To the young people who provided entertainment and helped in any way possible on the night. To Con Daly and all who entertained us with fun and laughter. To all of you for showing up in such great numbers to celebrate with him and presenting Fr John with the various gifts. To the distributors who helped with delivering the invitations. To Fr John's Family and personal friends who have supported him over the years. To the Pastoral Council and the finance committee for organizing the evening. Thanks to all involved.

**Ministers for 10th Sept Team A,B,C**

**Readers for Sept 10th Team 5**

7pm Joanne Lenihan  
9.30am Molly O' Rourke  
12noon Seam Woulfe, Cratloe

**LEGION OF MARY**

**PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK SHRINE SUNDAY**

**25<sup>TH</sup> SEPT**

**50 SEATER LUXURY COACH**

**DEPARTING AT 7AM FROM OUTSIDE**

**ABBAYFEALE PARISH CHURCH**

**AS IT IS CLOSE TO THE END OF THE SEASON**

**THIS IS A VERY POPULAR PILGRIMAGE**

**Sean Broderick 068 31213 Bernard Broderick**

**068 31565 Gerard O'Callaghan 087 2980841**

**Michael Lane 087 9639775 David Davy 087**

**0994272 THE COST IS €20**

**Fundraising Dance at the Railway Bar in aid of Alzheimer's on Sat. 10th music by Mike Condon.**

**Eats and Treats on the night.**

**Free Workshop-** How to support your children with reading for Parents in the Hub, Further Education and Training Centre Abbeyfeale on Wednesday 7th September from 7.30pm to 9.30pm. Supported by West Limerick Resources. This promises to be a very supportive and practical workshop particularly for parents of children in primary school children.

**SALE OF PRODUCE FROM PARISH COMMUNITY GARDEN:**

We have peas, tomatoes, broad beans, spinach, kale, rhubarb and onions to harvest so we are going to sell them at 9.30am Mass on Sunday, September 11 and donate the proceeds to the outreach service for our local clients of the Brothers of Charity who give us a great hand



**Intentions for this weekend**

**7pm** Kathleen Fitzgerald, Dromtrasna North Anniv.

Jack O'Grady Meenahela Anniv.

Jimmy Sheehy, Kilconlea Upper Anniv.

**9.30am** Nora B McEnery, Dromtrasna Collins

Kate Naughton & Denis Naughton Mountcollins

**12noon** Bill & James and Theresa Harnett, Knocknasna Anniv.

Con Lane, The Hill Anniv.

**Intentions for next week**

**Mon 7pm** Joan & Moss Fitzgerald Ballaugh

**Tues 8.15am** Deceased Members of the Dunne family

**Tues 10am** Special Intention

**Wed 10am** Deceased members of the Ward family

**Thurs 10am** Michael O'Sullivan, Colbert ter.

**Fri 8.15am** Private intention

**Fri 10am** For God's Blessing on every home in our Parish

**Sat 11am** Margaret O'Connor Knocknagoshel

**Intentions for next weekend**

**7pm** Mary Murphy 50th Anniv. And all the Murphy family Glenashrone

Jack & Nonie Kelly, Knocknasna and daughters Mary B, Theresa and granddaughter Lisa

**9.30am** Frank Collins, Banard Anniv.

William & Margaret O'Riordan, Banard 50th Mary Murphy, Radharc Na Feile Anniv.

**12noon** Paul Collins, Convent St and Limerick 3rd Anniv.

Neilus Healy, The Hill & Ballaugh Anniv.

**Blood Donor Clinic** -A mobile unit will be holding a Blood Donor Clinic in Colaiste Ide agus Iosef Abbeyfeale on Monday 12th & Tuesday 13th September from 6pm to 9pm each evening.

**A concert of inspirational music**

IRELAND'S GREATEST VOICE

**Red Hurley**

*How Great Thou Art*



Red Hurley has always been highly acclaimed for his excellent concerts and this visit to The Church of the Assumption is eagerly anticipated by his legions of fans. This show will feature Red's breathtaking individual voice. His songs are haunting, evocative and beautifully presented as only Red can. "How Great Thou Art" "I Believe" "Love is All" are just some of the many treats that are in store for you on this night of nights.

**Church of the Assumption, Abbeyfeale**  
**FRIDAY 14<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2016**  
**Starts 8pm Tickets €15**

ABBAYFEALE PARISH CHURCH MOBILE 089 4356981

TICKETS AVAILABLE FROM THE FOLLOWING OUTLETS:

- Sean Broderick's New Street • David Ward Accounts Office • Heavenly Gifts
- O'Donoghue's Spar Shop • Moss Harnett's Spar • Pat Buckley's Shop

Tickets available from the Church 068/51915

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