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

5th Nov 2023 www.abbeyfealeparish.ie email fealechurch@eircom.net Church Sacristy 068 - 51915 Parish Office 089/2646772 Anne 11am to 1pm

Co Parish Priests of the Pastoral Area

Fr Denis Mullane 087/2621911
Fr Tony Mullins 087/2600414
Fr Willie Russell 087/2272825
Fr Dan Lane (Retired) 087/2533030
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Intentions for weekend

6.30pm Noel Roche, Knocknagoshel 14th Anniv.
Ita O'Connor Rathorna Anniv.
Kathleen O'Connor, Mountmahon Anniv.
Anna Nash, Knocknasna Months Mind
Mary McCarthy, Knockbrack Anniv.

10am Peter O'Connell, Purt Anniv.
James & Bridget McEnery and son James McEnery, Kilconlea Upper
Michael & Kathleen & Julia Collins Anniv.
David and Catherine Lane Anniv.

12noon Johnny Lane, Kilconlea Upper Anniv.
Tom & Joan Murphy, Ballaugh Anniv.

Intentions for the week

Mon 7pm Maurice Griffin
Tues 10am Pro Populo
Wed 10am Margaret & John O'Connell Meenkilly and their daughter Maureen Burke Anniv.
Thurs 10am McGill Family Anniv.
Fri 10am

Intentions for next weekend

6.30pm Patrick & David O'Connor Caherhayes Anniv.
Kathleen O'Connor, Knocknasan Anniv.
Ann Molyneaux Athea / Glin
Jeremiah Healy Knocknasna 1st Anniv.

10am Mary & Johnny Flynn Banard Anniv.
David Healy, Killarney Road Anniv.

12noon Eamonn Daly Main Street / Castleknock
Bridget & Patrick Cleary Birmingham & Main Street
Kathy Scanlon Anniv.
Nora Canty Fealesbridge Anniv.

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.

November Days - Remembering

There is more than a hint of sadness about autumn. The green promise of spring, the full foliage of summer has given way to the age of autumn and the eventual falling of the last leaf. And so it is with life, the springtime of childhood and youth, and eventually the realisation of how time somehow passes by, and months and years begin to measure our time on this earth. But as sure as spring will come again, so too a new life will dawn for those we remember and pray for in November. The tombstones we will visit this month do nothing more than mark a final resting place.
'I go to prepare a place for you says the Lord' and he doesn't have in mind a small plot in some graveyard. Rather a place reserved for us in Heaven. This is a time of year when it's easy to think about death and about those who have died. Lord, we miss them, though we know that they are at peace. Comfort us, O Lord in the knowledge that one day we shall see them again.
Lord, reward our loved ones for the living they left us, and for all the beautiful memories. For your faithful people, life is changed not ended, we say to the Lord and there lies our hope.

Purgatorial List of the Dead

Envelopes are available in the Church for you to write the names of your loved ones on the enclosed sheet. The envelope can then be placed in the box in the Church and the names will remain on the Altar for the month of November. Throughout the year each priest in the diocese is required to offer 15 Masses for all those listed on your purgatorial list. Here in Abbeyfeale we offer Mass on the first Friday of each month for all the dead.

Prayers in the Graveyard

Prayers for all who are buried in our parish graveyards will take place this Sunday 5th of November beginning at St Mary's graveyard at 2.00pm, the Old Graveyard at 2.20pm and Reilig Íde Naofa at 3.00pm.

They are not gone from us but gone before us.
Ní imithe uainn atá siad, ach imithe romhainn.

Annual Mass for all those who died in 2023

The Annual Mass for all those who died since this time last year will be celebrated on ***Friday 17th of November at 7.00pm.*** During Mass a candle will be lit for each person who has died during the past twelve months and a member of their family will be invited to bring the candle to the altar.
For those whose relatives died outside of the parish and you wish to remember them on that evening please call into the church and give their name to be added to the list.

Graveyard Church Gate Collection will take place on the 4th /5th Nov.
Your support is greatly appreciated

Monthly meeting of St Joseph's Young Priests Society will be held in the Parish Office at 7.30pm on Tuesday 7th Nov.
All are welcome.

November Prayer

This November, let us pray for our deceased imploring the Lord's mercy upon their souls. Let us unite in prayer with those who have gone before us to be with the Lord.

God our Father,
Your power brings us to birth,
Your providence guides our lives,
and by Your command we return to dust.

Lord, those who die still live in Your presence,
their lives change but do not end.
I pray in hope for my family,
relatives and friends,
and for all the dead known to You alone.

In company with Christ,
Who died and now lives,
may they rejoice in Your kingdom,
where all our tears are wiped away.
Unite us together again in one family,
to sing Your praise forever and ever. Amen.

Join the Abbeyfeale Church Choir just in time for the Christmas Season!

Are you a male singer looking to be a part of something truly special this holiday season? Abbeyfeale Church Choir is thrilled to invite talented ***male vocalists*** like you to join us as we prepare for the festive and joyous Christmas celebrations!
We welcome male singers of all ages and experience levels to be a part of our choir. Whether you're a tenor, baritone, or bass, if you have a passion for singing and want to add your voice to our harmonious ensemble, we would love to have you!
Our rehearsals take place ***every Wednesday evening from 7.30-8.30pm*** with our next rehearsal on the ***08th of November 2023.***
To express your interest please email Rebecca at rebeccastryker98@gmail.com. Alternatively, you can also visit the sacristy during church hours to sign up.
Don't miss your chance to be a part of this wonderful musical journey as we prepare for the Christmas Season. We can't wait to welcome you and make beautiful memories together!

Celtic Brothers **15th Dec.**
are returning to Abbeyfeale for our annual Christmas Concert which will be held on Friday 15th December.
More information in the coming weeks.
Tickets will go on sale on the 1st of November.
All proceeds in aid of St Ita's Hall renovation work.