



**PARISH PASTORAL UNIT**  
**ABBAYFEALE, ATHEA, TEMPLEGLANTINE, TOURNAFULLA, MOUNTCOLLINS**



11th Feb 2024

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11am to 1pm

**Co Parish Priests of the Pastoral Area**

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**Priest on Call this Sunday:**

**Intentions for this weekend**

**6.30pm** Jim Aherne, Shanbally Anniv.  
 Peter Scannell Clash Road Anniv.  
 Fr Tim Galvin Kilmanihan Brosna / Sudan 1st Anniv.  
 Jerry O'Riordan, Dromtrasna Harnett Anniv.

**10am** Mary & Tommy Mann, Church St Anniv.

**12noon** Joe Harnett Dromtrasna O'Brien Months Mind  
 Betty Harnett, Dromtrasna O'Brien 1st Anniv.  
 Sean & Vera Broderick, New Street Anniv.  
 Willie Riordan, Upper Purt Anniv.  
 Nell O'Mahony, Collins Park 20th Anniv.

**Intentions for the week**

**Mon 7pm** Special Intention  
 Joe Murphy, Clash Road Anniv.

**Tues 10am** **Pro Populo**

**Wed 10am** **Ash Wednesday**

**Wed 7pm** **Ash Wednesday**

**Thurs 10am** Eily O'Connell, Meenkillly Anniv.

**Fri 10am**

**Intentions for next weekend**

**6.30pm** Margaret O'Connor, Knockbrack Anniv.

**10am** Mary & John Shannon, Main Street Anniv.

**12noon** Thanksgiving Mass

**“Kindness is a Language which  
 the Deaf can hear and the Blind can see”**

**Death**

We offer our sympathy to the family of Kathleen Fitzgerald New Street whose funeral took place on Monday. May she rest in peace.

**World Day of Prayer for the Sick 2024**

World Day of Prayer for the sick takes place this Sunday 11th February. Here in Abbeyfeale parish we will celebrate the Anointing of the sick after each Mass on Sunday 10am & 12noon. Sunday is also the **Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes** and we entrust all our sick parishioners to the care of Our Lady of Lourdes and to Saint Bernadette. We look forward to welcoming you to the church. On your way out call to the Grotto of Our Lady of Lourdes in the Church Yard for a moment or two. Our Lady of Lourdes Pray for us.

**Prayer for the Sick**

Lord Jesus Christ, Healer of all diseases  
 And our Great Physician of all times,  
 We intercede for all those who are in  
 traumatic condition.

Not knowing the depth of their illness  
 We pray for you to come and take your place  
 in spirit in the doctors, nurses and specialists who  
 will aid them in medical needs.

We believe nothing is impossible in your hands of Power,  
 in your hands of Healing, in your heart of  
 Love, Mercy and Compassion. Amen

**Ash Wednesday** is the first day of [Lent](#). Lent is the forty days (excluding Sundays) leading up to [Easter](#).

The number forty is significant as it refers to Jesus' forty days in the desert prior to beginning his ministry of teaching.

On Ash Wednesday, Catholics and some other Christian denominations receive ashes in the shape of a cross on their forehead. These ashes are created from the palms used during the previous year's [Palm Sunday](#) Mass. They symbolize penance, which is appropriate as Lent is a season of penance, and remind us of our own mortality.

During the Mass, as the priest or lay minister applies the ashes, he says "Remember you are dust and to dust you shall return."

Ashes will be distributed at both Masses on Wednesday.

**Why is lent 40 days?**

40 is a significant number in the Bible: In Genesis, the flood which destroyed the earth was brought about by 40 days and nights of rain. The Israelites spent 40 years in the wilderness before reaching the promised land. Moses fasted for 40 days before receiving the ten commandments on Mount Sinai. Jesus spent 40 days praying and fasting in the wilderness in preparation for his ministry.

This year we encourage you to do something for Lent, your choice. What ever you chose either to give up certain's foods, comforts or luxuries. Reduce social media or television or take something up instead and form a new habit. Lent is a time where you can make space to pray, read the bible and reflect on God's Love.

**A TRIBUTE TO THE LATE FR. TIM GALVIN:**

On [Saturday, February 10](#) following the 6.30pm Mass which will be offered to mark his 1st anniversary Fran Leahy originally from New St. and who volunteered with Fr. Tim in 2015 and 2016 will present a slide show showing some of the work that was enabled by the donations he received from home. It will take place at St. Ita's Day Care Centre and tea and biscuits will be served. Everyone is welcome.

**God is Calling!**

**Have you got one hour in the week to spare?**

**Lenten Adoration** will take place this year from 10am to 8pm. A chart will be available near the tabernacle for people to sign /commit for one hour a week. Adoration begins on Ash Wednesday morning after the 10am Mass.

**Trocaire 2024**

This Lent, we are called to join the river of justice and peace. On this year's Trócaire box we meet Malita and her 12-year-old twins Patricia and Patrick from the Machinga district in Malawi. Trócaire, with your support, has been working with partners in Malawi for the last forty-eight years.

**Trocaire Boxes are available at the door of the Church to collect on your way home.**



**Abbeyfeale Drama group**

Don't miss out on this wonderful piece of drama **The Bahshee of Crokey Hill** at the Glorach Theatre on Feb 13th, 15th, 17th, 18th, 20th, 22nd, 24th and 25th. Play starts at 8pm

Booking and enquires Contact 087/1383940.

This is an emotionally powerful play not to be missed.



**Please take the leaflet home with you to reflect on the reading / Gospel during the week or return it to the basket at the doors. Thanks.**

**Have a good weekend.**

*Wishing you a very Happy Valentine's day on Wednesday.*

