



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



14th Dec 2025 www.abbeyfealeparish.ie email fealechurch@gmail.com Church Sacristy 068 - 51915 Parish Office 11am to 1pm Mon—Thurs

**Co Parish Priests of the Pastoral Area**

**Canon Tom Mangan 087/2348226**

**Fr Willie Russell 087/2272825**

**Fr Dan Lane (Retired) 087/2533030**

**Fr Michael Edoziumo**

**Fr James Ambrose (Retired) Tel 087/7740753**

**Intentions for this weekend**

**6.30pm** Frank Foley, St Ita's Road Anniv.

Denny & Nora & Mary Patrick Lane, Caherlane  
and deceased family members

Paddy & Mary O'Connor Caherhayes and deceased family members

Teresa & D M O'Connor Anniv.

**10am** Ann Hennessy, Knockbrack Months Mind

David Collins Templeglantine Anniv.

**12noon** Sean Reidy, New Street 2nd Anniv.

Tom Dillane, Kilconlea Lower 15th Anniv.

Michael Barry Caherlane 6th Anniv.

Joan & Tom Murphy, Ballaugh Anniv.

Mary & Maurice O'Connell Kilconlea

Bridget & Patrick O'Riordan Ballaugh and deceased family members

**Monday 11am Funeral Mass Kevin Barry Caherhayes**

**7pm** Ann Lyons The Square Anniv

Pauline Ryan Colbert Road Months Mind

Fintan Morris Anniv.

**Wed 10am** Kevin Curtin Devon Road Anniv

**Fri 10am** Shelia & Timothy Murphy, Knocknagoshel Anniv.

**Intentions for next weekend**

**6.30pm** Edward & Kate O'Reilly and deceased family members

John D & Mary Ita Collins and their son John

and deceased family members

Pat Collins and his parents Danny & Eileen Collins

Ned Foley Dromtrasna 1st Anniv

Dan Smith, Kilconlea Lower/England Months Mind

**10am** Geraldine Woulfe, Cratloe Anniv.

Codyre & Quinn deceased family members

John D Murphy Ballaugh

Jim O'Connor Kilmorna Anniv

Padraig O'Connor Main Street Anniv.

**12noon** Nora Morrisroe Killarney Road 4th Anniv.

Mick Scanlon Athea Anniv.

Jim O'Connell 4 St Itas Road

Mary Enright Caherlane Anniv.

Ricky Loughnane Dromtrasna Anniv.

Paddy & Eileen Cahill and their son Pat Cahill

Hannah & Danno O'Neill Anniv

Jim Lane, New Street Anniv

Phyl O'Kelly Killarney Road Anniv.

**Third Sunday of Advent**

Christmas is getting so much closer now. This weekend we light the 3rd candle on the Advent wreath. The third candle is pink and it is meant to stand out. The third Sunday of Advent is called 'Joyful Sunday'. In many churches the emphasis today will be putting an emphasis on Good News. It is a day to celebrate good news stories in our community and in our lives. Today no apologies are made for highlighting our good news stories. It is crucial and important that we do. We have a natural tendency to lean towards negative and sad stories. Bad news somehow seems to have quicker legs than good news. It always dominates the headlines. We all need to hear good news these stories do not have to make the headlines. It is often the small and insignificant good news stories that really are the best of all. Christmas can be rightly called a 'Celebration of Good News'

**Patronage of School's survey** concludes on December 16th

The survey can be accessed at [www.gov.ie/primaryschool](http://www.gov.ie/primaryschool) survey.

Bishop Leahy has sent a very short video message to be distributed in schools to parishes and teachers and school boards Here's the link. etc. [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YIFHs\\_4MRsc](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YIFHs_4MRsc)

**Monday Dec. 15th at 7.30pm Christmas Confessions**

for the parishes of Ide Naofa Pastoral Unit, there will be the opportunity for individual confession with priests of the Pastoral Area present on the evening in Abbeyfeale church.

**The Christmas Ribbon Ceremony in Reilig Ide Naofa Graveyard**

will take place on Sunday 21st at 1pm.

**Unaware, we pass "Him" By**

On life's busy thoroughfares

We meet with *angels* unawares -

But we are too busy to listen or hear,

Too busy to sense that God is near,

Too busy to stop and recognise

The grief that lies in another's eyes ,

Too busy to offer to help or share,

Too busy to sympathise or care,

Too busy to do the *good things* we should,

Telling ourselves we would if we could...

But life is too swift and the pace is too great

And we dare not pause for we might be late

For our next appointment which means so much,

We are willing to brush off the Saviour's touch,

And we tell ourselves there will come a day

We will have more time to pause on our way...

But before we know it "life's sun has set"

And we've passed the Saviour but never met,

For hurrying along life's thoroughfare

We passed Him by and remained unaware

That within the very *sight of our eye*,

*Unnoticed, the Son of God passed by.*

Helen Steiner Rice.



**Parish Clerks Collection** winter collection will take place on the weekend of 20th /21st Dec. Envelopes are available in your box of envelopes. There will be some loose envelopes at the church doors. Drop it into the box at the doors, the offertory plate or to the Parish Office at any time throughout the month. Your ongoing support is much appreciated.

**The Christmas Calendar** will be available at the doors of the church this weekend. All details of Christmas arrangements 2025 are on it.

Christmas Eve Mass is at 8pm with carols singing at 7.30pm

Christmas Day is 10am & 12noon.

**Athea** Christmas Eve 5pm and 8pm Christmas Day 11am

Templeglantine @ 2pm Tournafulla @ 4pm Mountcollins 4pm

Christmas Day Templeglantine 10am Tournafulla 11am Mountcollins 10am

**Eucharistic Adoration** will take place after Mass for an Hour during the season of Advent. Adoration will not be on the day of a funeral.

**CHY Forms:** Sincere thanks to all donors to the parish who are helping the church increase income to the parish by participating in the Charity Tax Reclaim Scheme. Anyone who has received a CHY form from the parish are encouraged to return it to Fr Tom .

**Congratulations to the Scoil Mháthair Dé** who performed a wonderful Christmas Cantata, The Nativity Story in the Church on Thursday last. Well done to all involved.

[fealechurch@gmail.com](mailto:fealechurch@gmail.com) for any correspondence

**To book a Mass intention** contact the sacristy during mass times. 068/51915

If you have not received a box of envelopes contact 068/51915 11am-1pm

Please take the leaflet home with you or place in the bins on your way out.

**The church will be closed** most evenings for the winter months at 6pm

**The Church gates** will be closed at 8pm on the evening before a Funeral or parish event to facilitate parking for families.

**Information and Support for Birth Mothers** whose babies were placed for adoption may be found at [www.birthinginfo.ie](http://www.birthinginfo.ie) or by calling the relevant section of TUSLA at +353 818 445 500

**St. Ita's Community Hall:**

The Memory Lane Café continues to meet every Wednesday from 2-4pm – a social space and support for those living with dementia and those caring for them. Come along for the chats and activities. Further details are available from Sean Donal (Dementia Advisor) on 087 092 6617 or email [seandonal.oshea@alzheimer.ie](mailto:seandonal.oshea@alzheimer.ie) or from Dearbhla in WLR, 087 6750869. [dconlon@wlr.ie](mailto:dconlon@wlr.ie).

