



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



15th Feb 2026 www.abbyfealeparish.ie email fealechurch@gmail.com Church Sacristy 068 - 51915 Parish Office 11am to 1pm Mon—Thurs

Co Parish Priests of the Pastoral Area

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Intentions for this weekend

6.30pm Peter Scannell Clash Road Anniv.

Pat Harnett Dromtrasna Harnett 1st Anniv.

Jim Ahern Shanbally Anniv

Dave Sheehan Knocknasna 1st Anniv and deceased

family members

John Fitzgerald Manchester 1st Anniv.

Breda Aherne, Convent Road 1st Anniv.

10am Eily , Dinny & Mai O'Connell Meenkilly

12noon Norma Healy Dromtrasna 2nd Anniv.

Intentions for the week

Mon 7pm Thanksgiving Mass

Tues 10am Special Intention

Wed Ash Wednesday 10am & 7pm

Thurs 10am Get well Mass

Fri 10am Purgatorial Mass

Intentions for next weekend

6.30pm Mary Joe Leahy, Mountmahon Months Mind

Dan & Brenda Woulfe, Chruch Street Anniv.

Denis Murphy The Hill & Parents Neilus & Lizzy

Larry Lenihan, Dromtrasna South 1st Anniv.

10am Tadhg Quinn Purt 2nd Anniv.

Frank Codyre Galway Anniv.

Mary & John Shannon Main Street Anniv.

12noon Tom & Mary Flynn and deceased relatives

Deaths in the parish this week.

We offer our sympathy to the family of Mary Scannell Nee Quinn New Street who funeral took place on Saturday.

May she rest in peace

We offer our sympathy to the family of Denis Hobson, Railway Road who died during the week. May he rest in peace.

Church Radio: you can tune in on 105.9FM during mass times.

fealechurch@gmail.com Tel 068/51915 during Mass times.

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 10am and 7pm.

God is Calling! Have you got one hour in the week to spare?

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Next Wednesday 18th of February is Ash Wednesday and marks the beginning of Lent. Over the years there has been a great tradition and spiritual practice in Abbeyfeale parish of parishioners giving an hour of their time during Lent in Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. This weekend we are inviting people to take up the challenge of giving 1 hour a week of their time in prayer before the Blessed Sacrament. The Adoration will take place in the Blessed Sacrament Church on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday each week during Lent beginning after the 10.00am Mass and continuing until 8.00pm. In the Gospel of St. Matthew, Jesus asks his disciples to sit with him while he prays, but they fall asleep. He asks them "Can you not sit with me one hour?" This is where the concept of a "holy hour" comes from. Jesus asks us if we can sit one hour with him. During that hour, you can sit with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament praying, meditating, sitting in silence, reading, etc. If you would like to take on this challenge for Lent, and you are interested in spending some time in prayer in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament, you are encouraged to select a time on Wednesday, Thursday or Friday, a time that is practical for you. Write your name on the timetable. Make a promise to the Lord that you will do your best to be faithful to your hour of prayer. **Adorations begins on Ash Wednesday Feb 18th**

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. Whatever 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.

The Parish Consultation evening for Abbeyfeale Parish will take place on Tuesday 24th Feb. in St. Ita's Day Care Centre at 7.30pm.

This invitation is open to everyone in the parish.

It is part of a series of conversations taking place among the 60 parishes in the diocese regarding the future of our parishes as we go forward. This evening will be facilitated by two people from the diocese, all feedback will be returned to the diocese with possible changes throughout the diocese later in 2026.

Please tell your neighbours and friends.

Light refreshments afterwards.

Lenten Desert Day Saturday 21st Feb from 10.30am to 4.45pm.

Silent retreat with, Eucharist and Sacrament of Reconciliation.

Facilitated By Phyllis Moynihan RSM & Bernadette Murphy.

Please bring your own packed lunch Tea/Coffee/ snacks provided. Donation €20 venue Limerick Diocesan Centre, Corbally, Limerick V94925C Book your place by contacting Phyllis at 087/9636893 or email moynihanphyllis 525@gmail.com

Divine Will Family gathering at the Daycare Centre, Abbeyfeale. Saturday and Sunday 7th and 8th March. All are welcome. Speaker is Greg Dunne who has had an encounter with Jesus. He is promoting the Divine Will - 'Greatest gift given to mankind' -across Europe and America.

Trocaire Boxes are available at all doors of the church this weekend.

Thank you for your financial support to the parish through direct debit, the Weekly envelope and the basket collection. Another way to donate is with the [Online Donation Button](#) on our Abbeyfeale Parish website, payments can be made using Credit/ Debit cards to either, Parish Funds, Priests Dues or Special Collections by choosing your desired button. For parishioners who have an Envelope Number please include for easy identification.

You can also use your camera on your smartphone to scan this [QR Code](#) to bring you directly to our payments site (proceed as guest) You can set up an account for a recurring payment on this site as well.

A Qr Code has been placed at various places around the church the donate button on the website has been revamped and much easier to follow.

Any issues please contact us to assist you.

