· Welcome to the Cluster Parishes of Ardagh & Moydow and Legan & Ballycloghan ·



St. Brigid's, Ardagh

Ardagh Webcam



Church of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Legan

Legan Webcam

SUNDAY 08TH NOVEMBER 2026

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St. Mary's, Moydow



St. Anne's, Ballycloghan

· Weekday Masses ·

Mon 09th Nov	10:00am, Legan	**Holy Souls.**
Tue 10th Nov	10:00am, Ballycloghan	**Holy Souls.**
Wed 11th Nov	7:30pm, Ardagh	**Bereavement Mass.**
Fri 13th Nov	7:30pm, Moydow	**Holy Souls.**

· Weekend Masses ·

Sat 07th Nov	6:00pm, Ballycloghan	Michael Murray & Mary McHugh (Anniversary). Jack & Mena Dalton and Patrick Higgins (Anniversary).
	7:30pm, Moydow	Jack Kerr (Month's Mind). Pat & Chris Farrell (Anniversary). *Minister of the Word: Mary Gillen.* *Minister of the Eucharist: Anne Farrell.*
Sun 08th Nov	10:00am, Legan	**Bereavement Mass followed by refreshments in the Aurora Hall.**
	11:30am, Ardagh	**Enrolment Ceremony for Confirmation for Ardagh & Glen.** Aidan O'Halloran (05th Anniversary). *Minister of the Word: Deirdre/Enda Coffey.* *Ministers of the Eucharist: Ann Marie McLoughlin & Antoinette Beirne.*
	12:30pm, Ardagh	**Christening.**
Sat 14th Nov	1:00pm, Ardagh	**Christening.**
	6:00pm, Ballycloghan	Tom & Patricia Morris (Anniversary). Bernard Hogan (07th Anniversary).
	7:30pm, Moydow	Frank Manicle (06th Anniversary). James Gillen (27th Anniversary). *Minister of the Word: Gráinne Reid.* *Minister of the Eucharist: Mary Carey.*
Sun 15th Nov	10:00am, Legan	James, Lily & Philip Moran (Anniversary). Liam Butler (05th Anniversary) Michael & Bridie Keenan (Anniversary). Charlie & Brigid Keogh (02nd and 09th Anniversary)
	11:30am, Ardagh	Liam & Breda Victory (01st Anniversary). Teresa Finnegan (01st Anniversary). Paddy & Sadie Keegan & Dermot Murnaghan (Anniversary). *Minister of the Word: Bernie Whyte.* *Ministers of the Eucharist: Úna Byrne & Carmel Farrell.*
	12:15pm, Ardagh	**Cemetery Prayers in Ardagh.**
	1:30pm, Moydow	**Cemetery Prayers in Moydow.**
	2:45pm, Moydow	**Christening.**

· Births, Deaths & Marriages ·

Recent Bereavement: We pray for the happy repose of the soul of Mary Donlon Clonker, Moydow whose funeral took place in St. Mary's Church, Moydow on Friday. Sympathy to her husband Padraig, to Claire, Rachel, John and his fiancée Rachel and Sheá, to her sisters, brother, sisters-in-law and brothers-in-law, nieces, nephews, and to all her relatives and many friends. May she rest in peace.



Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time: Often we light candles as a sign of remembering and as we light the candles we say a prayer for that person that they may be enjoying the marvellous light of heaven. The candle's light reminds us that we too have the opportunity to share the light of hope that we carry with others. When you are in a dark place, the warmth of a smile or a kind word can mean a lot. It may feel that our own light is very small and insignificant in times of much darkness but each time it is shared, we really can make a difference. Today's Gospel is a powerful reminder to Christians to live each day as if it were their last, and to keep watch for the signs of the times. By doing so, we can live more fully and with greater purpose, and we can be prepared for whatever the future holds for us.

† Remembering our loved ones in November †

Remembrance Mass will take place in St. Brigid's Church, Ardagh on Wednesday 11th November at 7:30 pm. This mass is for all who died in the parish of Ardagh and Moydow in the past year, and also for all those living in our parish who had a bereavement outside of the parish. All are welcome to attend.

Also, November prayers will be held after Holy Mass in Ardagh on Sunday 15th November and also in Moydow Cemetery on the same Sunday at 1:30pm. May they rest in peace.

Roscommon Solstice Choir: We welcome the Roscommon Solstice Choir to St. Brigid's Church, Ardagh this Sunday morning for the 11:30am. Mass. It is a lovely honour to have them here. This choir is known not only in Ireland but internationally, having performed for many charities in different areas both at home and abroad. They were involved in the very successful production of *"A Nation Once Again"*, staged in Roscommon Arts Centre and in The Backstage Theatre, Longford. I had the great opportunity to be their chaplain on the pilgrimage to Medugorje a few weeks ago, and it was here they performed a concert for the local orphanage in Mothers Village and raised over €7,000 for that great cause. We continue to wish them our blessing in their Christmas Concerts and in the year of 2027.

Christmas Carol Service: A beautiful Christmas Carol Service will take place in the Church of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Legan on Friday 18th December at 6pm. Our adults and young people will be involved in the choir. All are welcome to attend.

Legan & Ballycloghan Collections: Many thanks for your generosity to these collections:

Legan Offertory:	€397.00
Ballycloghan Offertory:	€260.00
NovemberDues *(both churches)*:	€748.00
Propagation of the Faith*:*	€160.00
Candle Shrine:	€124.00

Ardagh & Moydow: Counting Team no. 01 this Tuesday evening.

Upcoming Concert: The Patrick Feeney Concert will take place in Ardagh Community Centre on Friday 20th November at 8pm. This will be lovely Gospel singing concert with a mix of his great songs to be enjoyed. Tickets are on sale in Lyons', Ardagh, from Betty on Revolut at 086-3855424, from Pauline at 085-1221432, and from Fr. Vinny and cost €30 with great spot prizes on the night. Proceeds go to Ardagh Parish Dept. Your generosity would be very much appreciated!

Pioneer Mass: The annual Longford Regional Pioneers Mass takes place in the Church of the Blessed Virgin, Newtowncashel, on Friday 13th November at 8pm, with refreshments afterwards in the hall. All welcome.

Legan ICA: Legan ICA Guild hold their next meeting on Monday night, 9th November at 7pm in the Aurora Hall. A member of an Garda Síochána will attend with advice on home security. Open invitation extended.

Scoil Bhríde, Glen - Annual Admission: Annual Admission notice for Scoil Bhride Glen for 2027/28 school year. Application forms are available from the school office on 043-6671778 or by email sbgleann@gmail.com The school will cease accepting applications for admission on 25th November 2026.

· Dates for the Cluster Parish Calendar ·

Bereavement Mass – Ardagh & Moydow	Wednesday 11th November	7:30pm	Ardagh Church
November Cemetery Prayers/Blessing of graves	Sunday 15th November	After 11:30 Mass	Ardagh Cemetery
November Cemetery Prayers/Blessing of graves	Sunday 15th November	1:30pm	Moydow Cemetery
Patrick Feeney Concert	Friday 20th November	7pm	Ardagh Community Centre
BOM Meeting – Lenamore School	Tuesday 01st December	7pm	Lenamore School
BOM Meeting – Scoil Bhríde, Glen	Wednesday 02nd December	8pm	Scoil Bhríde, Glen
Pastoral Council Meeting – Legan/Ballycloghan	Thursday 03rd December	7pm	Aurora Hall, Legan

THIS WEEKEND'S ANNIVERSARY MASSES
Saturday 7th November & Sunday 8th November

OUR LADY, QUEEN OF PEACE

Sat	**7:00**	- - - - - -
Sun	**10:30**	Paddy Lennon and James & Lena Lennon
Sun	**12:00**	***Shared Mass:***
		1. Margaret Mahon - *1st Anniv.*
		2. Paul Kelly - *1st Anniv.*
		4. Tommy & Lillie Hanevy
		5. John & Winifred Fitzpatrick

ST. MARY'S

Sun	**10:00**	Jim Ryan
Sun	**12:00**	Tommy McTiernan - *Month's Memory*
Sun	**6:00**	Gabriel & Marcella Powell

RECENT DEATHS:

James Fallon, Alverno Drive

William (Willie) Quinn, Hillcourt

Ann Owens (née O'Connor), St. Francis Tce

Helen Kiernan (née Kelly), Moydrum

Catherine (Kitty) Redington (née Kelly), Cartrontroy

Thomas Anthony (Tom) O'Connor, Crannaghmore

Maura Leavy (née Mannion), Hill of Berries

Maeve King (née Hussey), Parnell Square

Teresa (Tess) Slane (née Martin), Dublin & formerly of Mardyke Street

OFFERTORY COLLECTION: Thank you for your contribution to the Offertory Collection for Sunday 1st November which amounted to €3,921.05.



THE LEGION OF MARY: Invite you to join them in praying the rosary for all our deceased relatives, friends and neighbours, in Cornamagh Cemetery on this Sunday 8th November at 3 pm and in Coosan Cemetery on Sunday 15th November at 3 pm.

WORD OF THANKS: Just to say a word of thanks to all those who helped to make our Parish Remembrance Service so meaningful and moving last Sunday. A special word of thanks to the members of the Parish Pastoral Council for preparing the service, to Bernard & Patrice Coyle for providing the music.

ST. MARY'S PARISH
Sunday 8th November 2026
Telephone: 090 6472088

JUBILEE YEAR OF ST. FRANCIS: To mark the 800th anniversary of the death of St. Francis of Assisi in 1226, Bishop Paul will celebrate Mass in St. Mary's Church on Tuesday 17th November at 9.30am. The homily will be preached by Fr. Kieran Cronin OFM, Guardian of Multyfarnham Abbey. All welcome.

INFORMATION EVENING KNIGHTS OF ST. COLUMBANUS: The Knights will hold an information evening at their premises on Wednesday evening 18th November at 7 pm. Those who would be interested in the work of the Knights are invited to attend both men and women.

BEFORE THE LIGHTS GO ON: An evening of music, spoken word and poetry will take place in the Dean Crowe Bar on Sunday 15th November from 7-9:30 pm. Admission €10 (cash on door). Proceeds to Athlone Family Resource Centre Christmas appeal and Athlone and Midlands Samaritans.

KNIGHTS OF ST. COLUMBANUS: Remembrance mass for deceased members and their families will be celebrated by Bishop Paul Connell, Bishop of Ardagh and Clonmacnois at Teach Ciaran's on Thursday 19th November at 12.30 pm. This will be followed by launch of the Knights/Irish Red Cross Christmas fundraising initiative for children affected by the humanitarian crisis in Gaza.

QUIZ NIGHT: For Dr. Stevens Resource Centre will take place on Thursday 12th November at 8 pm in the Bounty Bar. Table €40.

ANNUAL MEMORIAL MASS: For deceased staff of ESB Networks will be celebrated on Saturday next 14th November in The Bounty, Lower Deck at 5.00 pm.

AID OF THE CHURCH IN NEED: Week of Witness runs from 15th to 22nd November. This month, you are invited to stand in prayerful solidarity with the millions of Christians globally who face severe discrimination, hostility, and violence. A central highlight of this campaign is Red Wednesday on 18th November, a day when all 26 diocesan cathedrals across Ireland along with hundreds of churches worldwide will be illuminated in red light, the liturgical colour of martyrdom.

GARRTYCASTLE GAA: Open day Sunday 15th November 12-2pm. All welcome to come along and see what the club has to offer. Garrycastle Club and Community Remembrance Mass Sunday 22nd November at 11am, followed by refreshments.

ANNIVERSARIES FOR THE WEEK AHEAD
Monday 9th November - Sunday 15th November

ST. MARY'S

Mon	**9:30**	Holy Souls
Mon	**1:05**	John & Mary Malone
Tue	**9:30**	Myra Quilty
Tue	**1:05**	Bob & James Blacoe and Dec'd members of Blacoe Family
Wed	**9:30**	Stacey, Ollie & Anton Ring
Wed	**1:05**	Private Intention
Thurs	**9:30**	Marian Rybak
Thurs	**1:05**	Michael Stokes
Fri	**9:30**	James & Annie Fitzgerald and Dec'd members of the Fitzgerald Family
Fri	**1:05**	Breege, Peadar & Michael Claffey and Sr. Marietta Hardiman
Sat	**9:30**	***Shared Mass:***
		1. Peggy Flynn
		2. Sheila & Gusty Francis
		3. Kevin Connolly
		4. William McGinley
Sun	**10:00**	Frances & Michael O'Connor
Sun	**12:00**	Noel Dowling
Sun	**6:00**	Mary & Tony Mulvihill

OUR LADY, QUEEN OF PEACE

Mon	**7:00**	Holy Souls
Tue	**7:00**	Mass for the People of the Parish
Wed	**7:00**	Dec'd Residents of Sonas Nursing Home
Thurs	**7:00**	David Sweeney - *1st Anniv.*
Fri	**7:00**	***Shared Mass:***
		1. Frank Killian, Anne & Peter Greene and Bridget, Mary & Patrick Nicell
		2. Millie Larkin
		3. Tessie Guinan
		4. Pauline & Michael White
		5. Nancy & Martin Bermingham
Sat	**7:00**	- - - - - - -
Sun	**10:30**	Michael & Lena McCann, Pat McCann and Michéal McCann
Sun	**12:00**	***Shared Mass:***
		1. Patrick & Kathleen Dunning and Dec'd members of the Dunning & Costello Families
		2. Noel Mulligan

PRIEST ON DUTY: FR. MARK BENNETT C.C. 071-9620118

MASSES FOR SATURDAY 7th & SUNDAY 8th 2026

JAMESTOWN Vigil 7pm:

ST.MARY'S Sat Vigil 8pm: Paddy Joe Walsh (Months Mind)

We also remember and pray for Eugene Traynor, whose anniv. occurs at this time

Sunday 9am:

12noon: Tom Doherty (Months Mind)

We also remember and pray for George Mulvey, whose Anniv. occurs at this time

LEITRIM 10.15am: Mary & Patrick Shanley & deceased members of the Shanley & McWeeney family.

GOWEL 10.15am:

MASSES FROM MONDAY 9th TO SATURDAY 14th NOVEMBER

Monday 8pm: Deceased members of Adorer's

Tuesday 10am: Deceased members of the Marist Laity

Wednesday 10am:

Thursday 10am: Patrick & Lucy Bannon (Anniv) , Fr. Tom & Fr.Hughie Bannon

Friday 8pm: Lizzie Joe Cass (Anniv)

Saturday 10am: Deceased members & staff of Telcom

LEITRIM Tuesday 8pm: Peggy Keaveney (Anniv)

GOWEL Friday 7pm: _

MASSES FOR SATURDAY 14h & SUNDAY 15th NOVEMBER

JAMESTOWN Sat Vigil 7pm: Eileen & Pat McKenna & their son Sean (Anniv)

ST.MARY'S Sat Vigil 8pm: Family Mass

Sunday 9am: Elaine Keogh & her daughter Roísin (Anniv)

12noon: Jimmy O'Reilly (1st Anniv)

LEITRIM 10.15am:

GOWEL 10.15am: Andrew Kelly (Months Mind)

We also remember and pray for Christopher & Elizabeth Kellegher (Anniv)

PARISH NOTICES

KNOCK NIGHT VIGIL: A bus will go from Drumshanbo Church car park at 8.30pm on Monday 7th December. To book please call 087 9666529. Closing date for booking is 3rd December.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

KILTOGHERT WOMEN'S GROUP: will have Rosaleen Lynch giving a cooking demonstration on Wednesday 11th November in the Community Centre at 8.30pm

CROGHAN PARISH MISSION: will be on from **Saturday 7th November to Tuesday 10th November,** with evening Missions at 7 pm in Croghan Church from Sunday to Tuesday evenings. All welcome. Info at www.cortoberparish.online

THE CONNAUGHT YOUTH 2000:day retreat takes place next weekend on Saturday November 14 at Áras Naofa, Renmore, Co. Galway. Youth 2000 provides an opportunity for young people (16-35) to deepen their relationship with God, explore the Catholic faith & meet other young people through a structured retreat programme, including talks, testimonies & workshops. Donation only. Check out Youth2000.ie for details & to register, or contact connaught@youth2000.ie for more information

BE -PREPARED.- Have your oil in your Lamp: Our gospel reading today teaches us that there is a time when the door will be closed to those who are not prepared. It speaks to us to make the kind of choices in life that will facilitate our admission into the kingdom of God. The parable further calls us to abandon a life of carelessness, foolishness and presumption. We are all called to be always conscious of our eternal purpose, to be vigilant, watchful, prayerful, attentive, and prudent while we live this life. To escape the predicament of the foolish virgins, we must cultivate the habit of regular meditations, constantly asking ourselves such critical questions, on the need that we should always be ready in our lives. For the master to meet us prepared, and our lamp of faith must be kept burning, we must constantly fill the lamp with the oil of faithfulness and obedience, humility, sacrificial love, compassion, chastity and purity. To live otherwise, is to be like the foolish bridesmaids who were unprepared when the master arrived. our first reading sees wisdom as a sure way to the realizations of our purpose in life – to seek and find God and enjoy his company here and in the eternity. What wisdom does is to put us on the path and help us to develop the disciplines of the faith so that we may realize this purpose

Parish of Gallen and Rynagh

St. Mary's, Cloghan & St. Rynagh's, Banagher

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Notices to be in before **6 p.m.** on Thursdays.

Parish Secretary: Tracy Dolan - Monday **or** Friday 10.30 to 12.30 p.m. 086 0705801

Readings: 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time/ 8th Nov. 2026 **Cloghan SVP** 087 9272877

Mass Times & Anniversaries

Sat. 7th	6.30 p.m.	St. Rynagh's	Anthony (Tony) White, Feighs (3rd Anniv.) Martin Lyons, West End & Brian Corcoran, Harbour Road. Harry & Margaret Johnson and deceased family. Rose Lockett, Manchester (requested by the Moran Family) Norman & Eric Winkler, Curraghavarna. Liam Coolahan (4th Anniv.) & wife Phil (25th Anniv.), Clonlyon, Belmont
Sat. 7th	8 p.m.	St. Mary's	The Murrihy Family. John Lynam, parents Nora & Patrick Christopher & deceased family. Paddy & Mary Keady and deceased family.
Sun. 8th	9.30 a.m.	St. Mary's	Pat Heffernan, Tullamore and his parents Annie & Martin. Peter & Rose Loonam. Patrick and Bernadette Troy. The Faithful Departed.
Sun. 8th	11 a.m.	St. Rynagh's	Deceased members of the Rudden & Mulcahy Families. The Faithful Departed.
Mon. 9th	9.30 a.m.	St. Rynagh's	Nathanial Duffy & deceased Duffy & Leonard Families. William & Josie Dunne, Main Street. Special Intention – Get Well Paddy (requested by G. & A.)
Tues. 10th	9.30 a.m.	St. Mary's	George Hatton (requested by B. & S.) Special Intention (requested by C.H.)
Wed. 11th	9.30 a.m.	St. Rynagh's	Martin Devaney, Mayo (requested by J. & A.) Christy & Mary McDonagh, Cuba Avenue and deceased family.
Thurs. 12th	9.30 am.	St. Mary's	Tim Keady, Caherlistrane, Co. Galway. (requested by G. & A.) Special Intention – Get Well Liam (requested by S. & M.)
Sat. 14th	6.30 p.m.	St. Rynagh's	Mihai Chinez and his daughter Denisa, Curraghavarna & Romania, Michael & Terry Keenaghan, Curraghavarna. (Month's Memory) John & Mary McDermott, The Crescent & dec. White & McDermott The Faithful Departed. Families.
Sat. 14th	8 p.m.	St. Mary's	John Cantwell, Killourney. Roísin Mulhare, Cloghan and Redhills, Cavan. John Gunning, Derrycarney. The Faithful Departed.
Sun. 15th	9.30 a.m.	St. Mary's	Mary, Rita, Lena and their parents Jimmy & Madge Bennett, The Patrick & Bridget O'Neill. Grove.
Sun. 15th	11 a.m.	St. Rynagh's	Mark Finnegan (30th Anniv.) & his brother Jim (25th Anniv.), Clontotan. Teresa Mann, Shannon Harbour (2nd Anniv.) Joe Corcoran, Dundalk.

Jesus Said, *"I am the Resurrection and the Life".*

Please pray for the repose of the souls of Josephine (Josie) Foley née Brazil, Hill House, Cloghan, formerly Derrica, Ferbane and Endrim; Patrick Kelly, Queen Street; Anne Gallagher née O'Hanrahan, Strandhill, Sligo and formerly, Ballintogher, Sligo and Rathgar, Dublin; Tess Mulvihill, Newtowncashel. May they rest in peace.

Offertory Collections: Banagher €1,435. Cloghan €775. **Shrine:** Cloghan €741.

Donations to the Parish: If you wish to offer financial support to the Church our bank details are as follows: Banagher Parochial Account **IBAN:** IE23 BOFI90165034757730. **BIC:** BOFIIE2D

Brother Brian Johnson (OSF) will speak about his missionary work at all Masses this weekend 7th and 8th Nov.

Remembering and Praying for our Departed Relatives & Friends – November 2026

We will remember in a special way all those whose Funeral Masses took place in St. Mary's and St. Rynagh's during the last twelve months. In the words of the Book of Maccabees in the Old Testament ***"It is a good and wholesome thought to remember and to pray for our dead."***

St. Rynagh's – Saturday 14th Nov. at 6.30 p.m. and Saturday 21st Nov. at 6.30 p.m.
St. Mary's – Saturday 14th Nov. at 8 p.m.

All the faithful departed will be remembered at all Masses during the month of November.
St. Rynagh's Church: Please write the names of your departed relatives and friends and place in the box at the front of the altar.
St. Mary's Church: Please write on the labels provided and place them on the Remembrance Tree.

Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica celebrated on Mon. 8th Nov.
Feast of St. Leo the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church celebrated on Tues. 10th Nov.
Feast of St. Martin of Tours, bishop celebrated on 11th Nov. Patron of France, Soldiers and innkeepers.
Feast of St. Josaphat, bishop and Martyr celebrated on Thurs. 12th Nov.

Lumcloon N.S. We are delighted to announce that Lumcloon N.S. will now be called St. Carlo Acutis N.S., Lumcloon. **Bishop Paul Connell** will attend a renaming ceremony on Thursday 19th Nov. at 10.15 a.m. Parishioners and friends of the school are invited to attend.

Mass in Eliza Lodge celebrated on Monday 9th Nov. at 3 p.m. All welcome.
Remembrance Mass in Eliza Lodge celebrated on Monday 23rd Nov. at 3 p.m. Praying for all the Faithful Departed. All Welcome.
The Connaught Youth 2000 Day Retreat takes place next weekend on Saturday 14th Nov. at Áras Naofa, Renmore, Co. Galway. Check out Youth2000.ie for more info.
Lumcloon N.S. Enrolments for the next school year 2027/2028. The deadline for these applications is the 13th Nov.
Church Gate Collection for Irish Girl Guides, Banagher next Saturday 14th and Sunday 15th November. All monies collected will benefit St. Rynagh's Brownie Unit.
Breakfast & Banter -International Men's Day: Join us on Thursday 19th Nov. at 10 a.m. at Mucklagh Community Centre (R35 DN02) for a morning of good food, conversation and a chance to come together and celebrate International Men's Day. The morning will begin with a breakfast, followed by a talk with Niall McNamee. This is a free event, but booking is essential as spaces are limited. To book your place, please contact Aoife on 087 738 5989 or Declan on 087 699 1226.
HLI Ireland 32 County Mission Night with relics of St Thérèse & The Holy Face on Tuesday 24th Nov. at Creggan Court Hotel, Athlone, 7 – 9 p.m. Free Admission. No booking required.
Ireland's 3rd National First Saturdays Conference: This year's conference will take place in **Knock on Sat. 28th Nov.** The day begins at 10 a.m. and finishes at 5 p.m. It includes Holy Mass, adoration, talks, and a healing service. More information and the list of buses going are available on www.firstsaturdays.ie.
Locally Grown & Produced Winter/Spring bedding available at Paul and Mary Flynns shop. Instagram - @sleepyhollowflowers.
Clonfert N.S. Parents Association - Christmas Bazaar on Sunday 6th Dec. in Clonfert Community Hall 2 p.m. Door prize of €250. Wheel of fortune, tea, coffee, home baking etc. Please bring cash. Everyone Welcome.
Free Community Health Checks Across Offaly: Offaly County Council's Healthy Ireland programme, is partnering with Croí, the Heart and Stroke Charity, to offer free community health checks in various locations across Offaly this Nov. and Dec. Checks include glucose, cholesterol, blood pressure and pulse testing, along with lifestyle advice. Free community health talks will also take place at 11 a.m. at selected venues. Places are limited, so advance booking is encouraged. No booking is required for checks at Tullamore Mart or Birr Mart. View locations and book your free health check : https://www.eventbrite.com/cc/healthy-offaly-free-community-health-checks-2026-4885159

Novena Prayer to St. Martin de Porres

Most humble St. Martin whose burning charity embraces all, but especially the sick, afflicted or in need, we turn to you for help in our present difficulties and we implore you to obtain for us from God health of soul and body, and in particular the favour we now ask.
May we, by imitating your charity and humility, find quiet and contentment all our days, and cheerful sub-mission to God's holy will in all the trials and difficulties of life. St. Martin, pray for us that we may be worthy of the promises of Christ. Amen.
O God who exalts the humble and who made St. Martin your confessor to enter into the heavenly Kingdom, grant through his merits and intercession that we may so follow the example of his humility on earth as to deserve to be exalted with him in Heaven. Through Christ Our Lord Amen.

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Eternal Rest grant unto them O Lord-

Saturday 7th November 7.00 p.m: Frances and Seamus Campbell.

Sunday 8th November 9.00 a.m: Ann & Ivan Higgins.

Sunday 8th November . Mary and Seamus Mullaney.

May they rest in peace. Amen

Thirty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time: Masses Monday 9th to Sunday 15th Nov 2026.

Mon 9.00 a.m.	Helen Kerins.
Tue: 7.00 p.m.	Paddy, Peg and Mairéad O'Keeffe.
Wed: 7.00 p.m.	Deceased O'Hara, Maloney families, Jack Boban, Rody Boland, Mary K and Willie Curley and McEvoy family
Thu: 12 noon	
Fri: 7.00 p.m.	Deceased of our Parish.
Sat: 10.00 a.m.	Pat and Eileen Finn.
Sat: 7.00 p.m.	Packie Joe Keane and son Kevin.
Sun: 9.00 a.m.	Patsy McGowan.
Sun: 11.30 a.m.	James & Kathleen Keane and deceased family members.

Eucharistic Ministers next weekend: Group C

Ministers of the Word: Vigil:

Julia Baginska, Giuliana & Patrick Keane, Ella Guckian.

11.30 a.m. Brenda McKeon and Margaret Hyland.

Convent: Group A **Altar Society** November : Group F

Offertory Collection €2218.00 plus Shrine . Thank you.

Recently Deceased:

We remember and pray for **Kevin Costello** and **Una McGovern**.

May they rest in peace in the Home of Jesus. Amen.

Congratulations

Leanne Daly and Colm Barry who were married in our Church this weekend.

Seniors Citizens:

Back in Áras Phádriag on Wednesdays @ 2.00p.m. Everyone welcome.

Ceremony of Remembrance on Sunday 29th November @ 5 p.m. in Parish Church.

After six weeks of convalesces, I am so happy "to be home again" in Drumshanbo. My prayer at this time is simply a prayer of gratitude more than words can say…

It is a prayer of thanks that nobody else was seriously hurt on the evening of Sept 23rd, especially my pilgrimage friends Joe & Ann returning with me from Lourdes on that evening.

It is a prayer of thanks for my friends in the Fire Service, for their calm reassurance on that evening and for the guards and ambulance personnel who could not be kinder and for (Phil for that cups of tea).

It's a prayer of thanks for the Staff of Sligo Hospital, all of them, so many of them not born in Ireland, for their care and courtesy at all times.

It is a prayer of thanks for all of you who sent cards, texts and get well wishes and above all for your prayers and Masses that helped me every day. It is a prayer of thanks for the children who sent such beautiful cards of kindness and a video prayer from the School—such a lovely thought.

It's a prayer of thanks for all my priest colleagues who covered all the Masses, Baptisms, Weddings and Funerals. I will be forever in their debt.

It is a prayer of thanks for Sr. Mary, Sr. Helen and Parish Staff who took care of you and everything in my absence.

It is a prayer of thanks for my friends who gave me space in their homes to recover. It is a prayer of thanks for the daily prayer of the Poor Clares—I was so sad to miss the Feast of St. Francis this Jubilee Year.

I am blessed by your friendships, humbled by your goodness and inspired so by so much kindness. I thank you. I thank God for you. I pray I may never take you for granted. (Fr. Frankie)

Parish of St. Mary's Mostrim



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Thirty Second Sunday - 8th November 2026

This Weekend	**November 7th / November 8th**
7.00 p.m.	1. Eileen and Jim Horkan, Devine Crescent and deceased members of the Nolan Family, Garryandrew. 2. Jim and Mona Walsh.
11.00 a.m.	Helen Harte (Seventh Anniv).
Weekday Masses @ 11.00 a.m. - Our Lady's Manor	
Wed 11th Nov	People of the Parish.
Next Weekend:	**November 14th / November 15th**
7.00 p.m.	Paddy, Gertie, Fiacre, Sadie and Patrick McEnroe.
11.00 a.m.	1. Bernard Conway (Third Anniv.) 2. Eamonn O'Reilly (Month's Mind); his parents Ned and Ellen Marie and his sister Olive.

Offertory Collection: Sat 31st Oct / Sun 1st Nov - €1,265 - sincere thanks.

Sunday Scriptures - First Reading - This sings the praise of wisdom. At the same time it says that wisdom can be found by all those who seek it.

Second Reading - St Paul consoles his converts at Thessalonika who are worried about the fate of their loved ones who have died. He tells them that God will rise them up as surely as he raised up Christ.

Gospel - A story which urges us to stay awake because we do not know the day or the hour of the Lord's coming.

SUNDAY REFLECTION - As we approach the end of the Church's liturgical year, the readings are mostly from those sections of scripture called apocalyptic. This is a very symbolic style of writing. Numbers and colours all have a symbolic meaning. It is frequently full of cosmic images including sun, moon and stars. It is a very vivid style of writing which is geared to evoke a response in those who read it. - St Paul's Sunday Missal

EDGEWORTHSTOWN PARISH WEBSITE:

And for our Children - Agus ar son ár leanaí - A fun way for Catholic children to learn about their Faith every week:
The Kids' Bulletins, updated each week onto our Parish Website front page, are a resource for Catholic children who would like to have some fun while learning about the readings from the Sunday Mass every week.
They are made by a mom in Canada who is happy to share them with anyone who can use them to help learn or teach about the truth and beauty of the Faith.

Pope Leo: - *"God's generosity towards us is not naïve but wise. He sees within us the potential of a good that, at times, we ourselves might fail to recognize. For this reason, the Lord, who knows the soil of our hearts better than we, never ceases to believe in us - in who we are and in who we can become, day by day, if we entrust ourselves to him in faith."*

Readers and Eucharistic Ministers - As a recent meeting of Mostrim Parish Pastoral Council the rotas for Readers and Eucharistic Minsters were reviewed. We are very grateful to all who generously participate in these ministries of sharing God's Word and Holy Communion. We would love to have some more people involved to enhance our rotas and share the responsibility.

Could you assist - please?

We would be delighted to hear from you if you could volunteer to read at Mass or become a Minister of the Eucharist. Please consider this invitation. If you are in a position to say yes, please contact us at 71046 or edgeworthstownparish@gmail.com

• Thought for Today •

Often we light candles as a sign of remembering and as we light the candle we say a prayer for that person that they may be enjoying the marvelous light of heaven. The candle light reminds us that we too have the opportunity to share the light of hope, that we carry, with others. When you are in a dark place, the warmth of a smile or a king word can mean a lot. It may feel that our own light is very small and insignificant in times of much darkness but each time it is shared, it is not halved but doubled. Together we really can make a difference. - *Artofdyingwell.org*

FEASTS NEXT WEEK:

Mon 9th Nov - The Dedication of the Latern Basillica - The Church of the Latern Basillica in Rome is 'Mother and Head of all the churches of the City and the World'.

Tues 10th Nov - St Leo the Great, pope and doctor of the Church from 5th century.

Wed 11th Nov - St Martin of Tours, bishop of Tours from the fourth century.

Thurs 12th Nov - St Josaphat, bishop and martyr from the sixteenth century.

The Wisdom of the Saints:

• St. Padre Pio: "Pray, hope, and don't worry. Worry is useless. God is merciful and will hear your prayer."

• St. Alphonsus Liguori: "What does it cost us to say, 'My God help me! Have mercy on me!' Is there anything easier than this? And this little will suffice to save us if we be diligent in doing it."

• St. Teresa of Ávila: "Let nothing disturb you. Let nothing frighten you. All things pass. God does not change. Patience obtains all things.

MOSTRIM PLAYERS - present Tom Smith's comedy Drinking Habits, , at St Mary's Community Centre, 13th - 15th Nov Fri & Sat @ 8pm, Sun @ 7pm. Tickets €15, available from A & N Gift Shop, Main St.

Abbeylara Arts Festival: Sat 7th Nov: Sun 8th Nov: Free Family Show featuring our little stars. A weekend not to be missed. Check out our social media/posters for more info.

Scoil Bhríde Glen - Application Forms and Application Policy now available from school office. Acceptance will cease on 25th Nov. Contact 043 6671778 or sbgleann@gmail.com.

Longford Community Resources Clg - Would your community group like to raise funds? LCRL is offering free fundraising training on 11th Nov. You'll learn practical skills and digital tools to plan, launch and manage a successful fundraising campaign for your community group. Contact us on 043 3345555 or leader@lcrl.ie to book your place.

READERS OF THE WORD OF GOD - NOVEMBER

Saturday 7.00p.m. Mark Cassidy.
Sunday 11.00 a.m.: Kate O'Donohue.

MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARST - NOVEMBER

Saturday 7.00p.m.: Gerard Greene, Gerard Haughey.
Sunday 11.00 a.m.: Anne Smith.

Please arrange a substitute if you cannot be present.

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- Fr Tom Healy -

Ferbane Parish Bulletin

Sunday 8th November 2026 **32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Fr. Peter Burke *(090) 6454380* www.ferbaneparish.ie

CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION, FERBANE

SATURDAY 7th NOVEMBER - 7pm

1. Brendan Reams *(1st A).*
2. May Lonican *(4th A).*
3. Bridie & Andy Lowbridge.

SUNDAY 8th NOVEMBER - 11am

1. Eddie Joe & Teresa Dooley, their grandson Richard Larkin and deceased family members.

Mon. 9th: 10am - Margaret Dunne (5th A) and her parents Joe & Catherine Wynne.

Tues. 10th: 10am - People's Mass.

Wed. 11th: 10am

Thurs. 12th: 10am

Fri. 13th: 10am

Sat. 14th: 10am - Deceased members of the Ferbane Bridge Club.

SATURDAY 14th NOVEMBER - 7pm

1. Eugene & Elizabeth Nugent, their sons Tom, Jim & Hughie and daughters Kathleen, Maureen & Anne.

SUNDAY 15th NOVEMBER - 11am

1. Martina Boland, her sons Martin & Aron and Joan Larkin.
2. Jimmy & Madge Brazil.
3. Gerry Birrane, his son Martin and grandson Gerard McEvoy.
4. Patrick & Bridget Egan and deceased members of the Egan & Claffey families.

SS. PATRICK & SARAN, HIGH STREET

SUNDAY 8th NOV. - 12 noon Pray & Play

1. Liz, Lar & Larney Malone, their daughter Ann Hynes and grandson Aaron and deceased family members.

SUNDAY 15th NOVEMBER - 12 noon

1. Dan, Nancy & Paddy Connell.

ST. OLIVER PLUNKETT, BOORA

SUNDAY 8th NOVEMBER - 9.30am

1. Pat, Elizabeth, Michael & Nancy Colgan and deceased family members.

SUNDAY 15th NOVEMBER - 9.30am

SUN 8th NOV Annual Service of Remembrance for our Dead

Church of SS. Patrick & Saran, High Street at 4pm.

'Our bond with the faithful departed is not broken but transformed'. (Pope Leo)

THE MASS

Introductory Rite:

Procession with Entrance Song
Veneration of the Altar
Sign of the Cross
Greeting
Statement of Theme
Penitential Rite
Gloria (except in Lent or Advent)
Opening Prayer (Collect)

Purpose of Introductory Rite:

To make the assembled people a unified community and to prepare them properly to listen to God's Word and to celebrate the Eucharist. We Gather.

PARISH OFFICE - Open every Wednesday from 9am-1pm and 2-5pm. Tel: 090 6454309 or Email: parishoffice@ferbaneparish.ie.

MASSES - All ceremonies can be heard on 106.5fm Parish Radio. Parish bulletin is available on www.ferbaneparish.ie.

DEATHS - We pray for the repose of Thomas O'Donnell, Rathfarnham, Dublin, uncle of John Cooney, Athlone Rd.

COLLECTIONS - *1st November:* **Offertory:** €1,710. **Shrine:** €375.

Bank IBAN: IE39 BOFI 9016 3475 9072 05.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL - Anybody who is seeking help for Christmas please phone our confidential phone number 087 9272877. Requests must be in by the first week in December.

NAOMH CIARÁN LADIES FOOTBALL CLUB Church Gate Collection - Takes place this weekend Saturday 7th / Sunday 8th November. As always, your support is greatly appreciated.

GALLEN UNITED - *Lotto Draw* **(Prize fund €8,500; Jackpot €4,100; Star Prize €4,400).** Winning numbers were 6, 11, 24, 25. Bonus 9. No jackpot winner. Two match 3 winners. Next draw on Monday 9th November.

COFFEE MORNING - Continues on **Wednesdays** in the Bridge Hall, Ballycumber Road, for a social gathering. Usual bus service, 10.30am at the Church.

HIGH STREET WOMENS GROUP - *Monday 9th Oct.:* **Change of speaker due to circumstances beyond our control** at 8pm in High Street Hall. *Sunday 13th Dec.:* **Mini Christmas Market** in High Street Hall from 11am - 2pm. Get your last minute presents and hampers. Raffle on the day. All money raised goes to charity. All welcome.

FERBANE GAA - *Lotto:* Winning numbers in last week's draw 5, 11, 18, 31. Bonus 23. No jackpot winner or match 3 winners. 5 x €40 lucky dip prizes. Next week's jackpot is **€6,800** and the draw is on **Tuesday 10th November.**

BELMONT GAA - *Weekly Bingo* every **Wednesday evening, 8pm**. Books available in Cahill's shop until 9pm on Tuesday evening or until 2pm online.

PROGRESSIVE 25 - Cards every **Friday night** in Ferbane Heritage Centre at 9pm.

WOMEN'S GROUP FERBANE - Are holding a **Table Quiz on Friday 13th Nov. in Hennessy's** at 9.30pm. €10 per person, max 4 people per table. 1st, 2nd and 3rd prizes. Raffle on the night. Finger food served. Your support is greatly appreciated.

THE CONNAUGHT YOUTH 2000-DAY RETREAT - Takes place next weekend on Saturday 14th November at Áras Naofa, Renmore, Co. Galway. Youth 2000 provides an opportunity for young people (16-35) to deepen their relationship with God, explore the Catholic faith and meet other young people through a structured retreat programme, including talks, testimonies and workshops. Donation only. Check out Youth2000.ie for details and to register or contact connaught@youth2000.ie for more info.

BREAKFAST & BANTER - Join us on Thursday 19th November at 10am at Mucklagh Community Centre (R35 DN02) for a morning of good food, conversation and a chance to come together and celebrate **International Men's Day.** The morning will begin with a breakfast, followed by a talk with Niall McNamee. This is a FREE event, but booking is essential as spaces are limited. To book your place, please contact Aoife on 087 738 5989 or Declan on 087 699 1226.

FERBANE CHRISTMAS MARKET - **Sunday 29th November from 1.30pm to 6pm.** (Sensory friendly time from 1.30pm to 2pm) in Gallen Community School. Over 60+ stalls. Santas Grotto, live music and lots of food stalls. Your support is greatly appreciated.

YOUNG AT HEART SENIOR CITIZENS CHRISTMAS PARTY - Is being held on Sunday 6th Dec. in Gallen Community School beginning with Mass at 1.30pm followed by 4 course meal, music and dance. There are forms in the Post Office, please add your name if you plan to attend.

32nd Sunday of the Year

'Stay awake'

Every year thousands of motorists seek roadside assistance because they have run out of fuel and this despite the fact that all modern cars have warning lights and messages to alert us to any malfunction. In truth, there is no excuse for running out of fuel. It is a question of remaining vigilant and attentive. The five wise virgins in today's parable fall into this category. They are watchful and prepared for the arrival of the bridegroom. The five foolish virgins are not, and they are excluded from the wedding celebrations. The message is clear. The disciple must stay awake. The disciple must remain watchful. The disciple must keep the lamp lit. It is easy to keep the lamp lit when the road is smooth and the sea is calm. The trial comes when the storm rages and the bridegroom is absent, but the disciple must stay awake. What does this mean in practice then? English author Richard Evans provides a striking answer to this question when he writes about the danger of putting things off: 'There are mothers who plan to enjoy their daughters more, but they keep putting it off. There are fathers who plan to get to know their sons better, but they keep putting it off. There are husbands and wives who plan to spend more time together, to strengthen their marriage bond, but they keep putting it off. When in the world are we going to live as if we understood that this is life? This is our time, our day and it is passing.' Unlike the foolish virgins, we should use our time well, because it is the anvil on which eternity is forged. '**We should live our lives as though Christ was coming this afternoon**'. *(Jimmy Carter).*

Keadue, Boyle Co. Roscommon

Fr. Tom Cox 071 9647212 / 086 8319500



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May the morning sun bring clarity to your mind and strength to your spirit.

Sunday 1st November 2026 Mass Times

Saturday 7th Nov. Ballyfarnon 7p.m. (Adoration & Confessions from 6pm)
Tommie, Teasie Gaffney (Laragon) &
DFM of Gaffney & Phelan families
Myra & Gus Leydon & Nigel Bond
Tommy Grey & DFM
Tim & Margaret Brehony & DFM

Sunday 8th Nov. Arigna 10am
John & Mary McPartlan
Paddy, Lena & Patrick Conway
Johnny & Bridie Gaffney
Bernie & Mai Kelly

Sunday 8th Nov. Keadue 11.30am
Barbara Doyle

(Minor Repair Works being done in Keadue Church)

Monday 9th Nov. NO MASS

Tuesday 10th Nov. Ballyfarnon 10.00a.m (Mass for Deceased)

Wednesday 11th Nov. NO PUBLIC MASS

(Mass Mo Chairde Centre 12 Noon for Deceased)

Thursday 12th Nov. Ballyfarnon 10.00a.m.

Friday 13th Nov. Arigna 10.00a.m. (Mass for Deceased)

Sat 14th Nov. Ballyfarnon 7pm
Ethna McGowan

Sun 15th Nov. Arigna 10am
Michael Rynn & DFM
Sharon Conway
John & Bridie Glynn/Molly &
Packie Cullen &
DFM Glynn & Earley family

Sun 15th Nov. 11:30a.m.
John & Sheila Gaffney
Hugh & Josie Gibbons

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PARISH OFFERTORY Collections: Thank you for your very generous support on 1st Nov last: Arigna €530.00, Ballyfarnon €335.10, Keadue €478.

ST. RONAN'S GAA no winner of the lotto jackpot last weekend. Numbers drawn were 1,23,24 & 30. Consolation prizes were won by: €70 Audrey Grant, Cuiltygower, Ballyfarnon, €30 Kitty Guihen, Arigna, €20 Croia Mc Loughlin, Dublin, €20 Pauric Cox, Keadue, €20 Orla Morrison, Ballyfarnon. Jackpot now €3,800. Next draw Sunday evening Enter online at stronansgaa.com.

The Connaught Youth 2000 day retreat takes place next weekend on Saturday November 14 at Áras Naofa, Renmore, Co. Galway. Youth 2000 provides an opportunity for young people (16-35) to deepen their relationship with God, explore the Catholic faith & meet other young people through a structured retreat programme, including talks, testimonies & workshops. Donation only. Check out Youth2000.ie for details & to register, or contact connaught@youth2000.ie for more information.

November Lists may be returned to any of the Churches in the boxes provided.



Thought for the Day Often we light candles as a sign of remembering and as we light the candle, we say a prayer for that person that they may be enjoying the marvellous light of heaven. The candlelight reminds us that we too can share the light of hope, that we carry, with others. When you are in a dark place, the warmth of a smile or a kind word can mean a lot

For Loved Ones - Departed
Lord, be good to them, and show them all your love.
Lord, be kind to them, and grant them peace above.
Lord, be merciful to them, and wipe their sins away.
Lord, be generous to them, with all your heart I pray.
Lord, be gracious to them, for good that they have done.
Lord, be gentle with them, for sufferings undergone. Lord, may we meet them again, when harvest's crown is won.
AMEN.

Welcome to November. November comes and November goes, with the last red berries and the first white snows. With night coming early, and dawn coming late, and ice in the bucket and frost by the gate. The fires burn and the kettles sing, and earth sinks to rest until next Spring. - Elizabeth Coatsworth

In Our November Remembrance along with our loved ones named in our hearts and on our November Lists we pray for all whom we have laid to rest since last Nov.

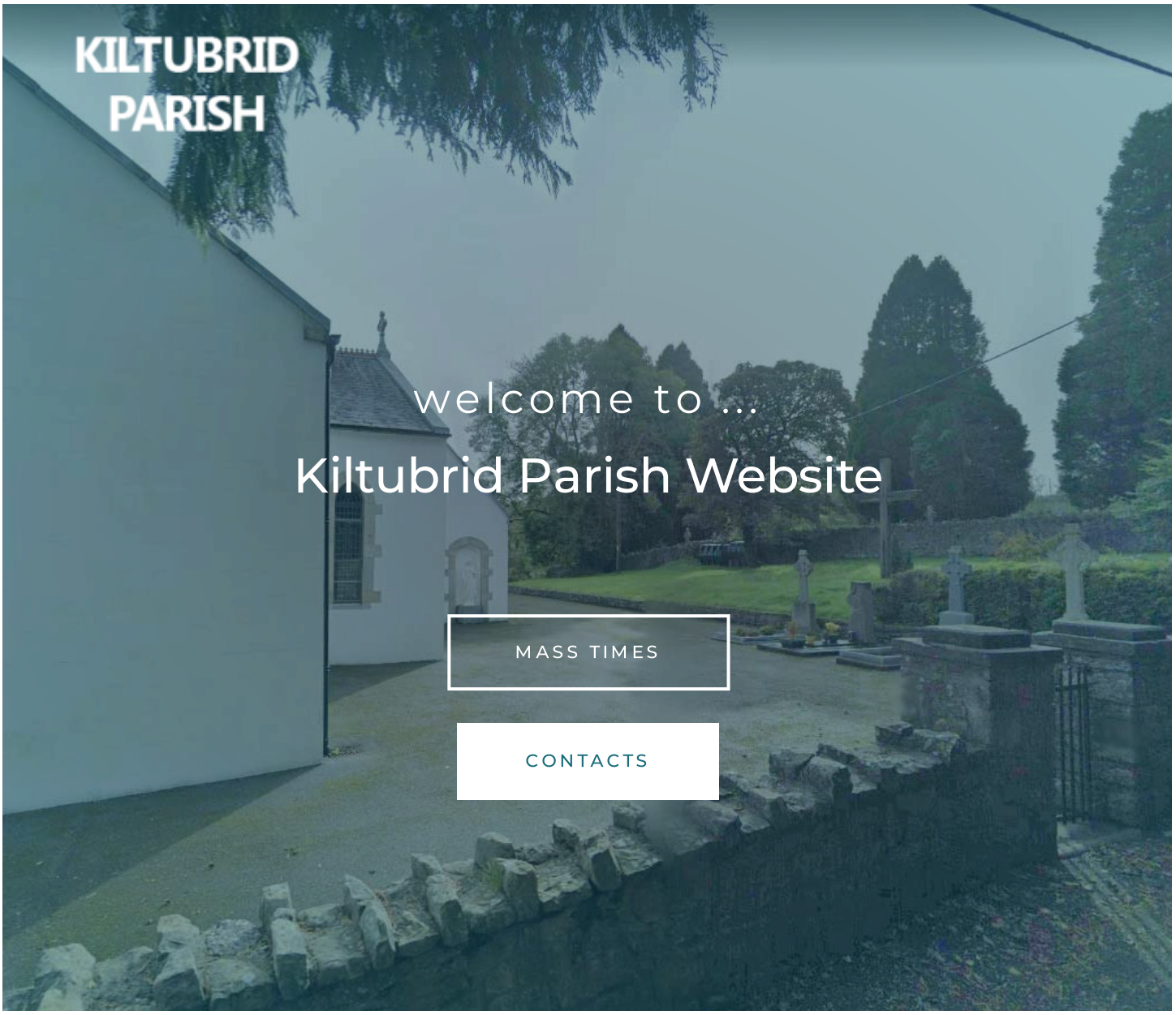
Sean Prior
Martin Flynn
Jim Nolan
John Daly
Gary Glynn
Maureen Guihen
Jim Joe Mulhern
Joe Guihen
Ronan Conlon
Peter Kerrigan
Teresa Gilmartin
Laurence Earley
Joe McPartlan
Mae Keaveney
Elizabeth Earley & Paddy Mulvihill



The Pope's Monthly Intention For the proper use of wealth – Let us pray for the proper use of wealth, that not succumbing to the temptation of selfishness, it may always be put at the service of the common good and solidarity of those who have less

Soft Pastel Creative Workshop on Tuesday, 10th November, from 7:15pm to 9pm at the Hodson Bay Hotel Register here: Soft Pastel Workshop - Registration Form

BALLYFARNON MPORTANT COMMUNITY MEETING –TUESDAY, 10TH NOVEMBER AT 8PM. Venue: Ballyfarnon Hall. A public meeting will be held to discuss Roscommon County Council's plans to convert our beautiful village Courthouse into two houses.


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REFLECTION

Belief in the resurrection of the dead is an essential part of Christian revelation. It implies a particular understanding of the ineluctable mystery of death. Death is the end of our earthly life, but '*not of our existence*' (St Ambrose) since the soul is immortal.

'*Our lives are measured by time, in the course of which we change, grow old and, as with all living beings on earth, death seems like the normal end of life'* (CCC, 1007).

Seen from the perspective of the faith, '*death is the end of man's earthly pilgrimage, of the time of grace and mercy which God offers him so as to work out his earthly life in keeping with the divine plan, and to decide his ultimate destiny*' (CCC, 1013).

Death is the passage to the fullness of true life.

Death is the prolongation, in a new way, of life as the liturgy says: '*For your faithful, O Lord, life has changed not ended; while our earthly dwelling is destroyed, a new and eternal dwelling is prepared for us in Heaven'* (Missal, Preface). The death of a Christian is an event of grace, having as it does, a positive value and significance in Christ and through Christ. According to the faith of the Church, '*to die in Christ'* begins at baptism. In Baptism, the Lord's disciples sacramentally die in Christ so as to live a new life.

From the earliest days of the Christian religion the Church has honoured with great respect the memory of the dead. The whole month of November is an interesting time of prayer in the Church as it is filled with many important feast days and it includes the days on which we commemorate all the saints and all the faithful departed.

Irish Catholic Bishops' Conference

Monday, 9th November - The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

8.00am: John Orachka (A) **10.00am:** Donal O'Sullivan (B'day Rem)

Tuesday, 10th November - St Leo the Great

8.00am: Milan Orachko (A)
10.00am: Patrick & Sabina Doris, son PJ and daughter Margaret (A)

Wednesday, 11th November - St Martin of Tours

8.00am: D.M. of Scully & Campbell families (Bornacoola, Leeds & NY)
10.00am: Andy Byrne (A)

Thursday, 12th November - St Josaphat

8.00am: D.M. of the Cassells Family
10.00am: Michael Campbell (Month's Mind)
7.30pm Curry: Paddy Joe, Margaret & John Farrell (A)

Friday, 13th November

8.00am: Christina Duffy (A) **10.00am**: D.M. of the Rooney Family

Saturday, 14th November - St Laurence O'Toole

8.00am: Anna Devine (A) **10.00am:** D.M. of the Legion of Mary

Sunday, 15th November - World Day of the Poor

7.30pm Vigil: Damien Deeley (A)
Lena Carrig (A)
Ann Phillips (1st A)

8.00am: **Mass for People of the Parish (Missa Pro Populo)**

10.00am: Alice Briody (A)
Bernard, Jane & Jimmy Smith (A)
Sam Dennigan (A)

11.30am: Philip Greene (A)
Padraig Connellan (A)
John Halligan (A)

1.00pm: Gerard Reid (A)
Joe McDonagh (A)
Mary Cronogue (A)

6.00pm: Thomas Ward (A)

OFFERTORY COLLECTION: Thank you most sincerely for your generous contribution to our collection last week which amounted to €4,880.

NOVEMBER DUES for the support of priests of the parish may now be returned.

CONGRATULATIONS to Leona McDonnell & Bernard McDonagh who gave themselves to each other in holy matrimony during the week.

† RECENTLY DECEASED We remember in our prayers Anne McDonagh (nee Joyce), McEoin Park; Ronnie Whelan, Cloncoose and Kathleen (Kitty) Dolan (nee Orohoe), Lisduff, whose funerals took place during the week. May their souls, and the souls of all the faithful departed, rest in peace.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT has spread to many parishes in this Diocese of Ardagh and Clonmacnois. Why? A speaker will supply the answer at masses on the weekend of the **21st/22nd November**.

ALTAR LIST OF THE DEAD During the month of November we are invited to remember and pray for our beloved dead. If you would like to include names in the Altar List of the Dead, please take one of the sheets available in the Cathedral and place it in the designated box in the Sanctuary. The names will be remembered in Masses throughout November.

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LONGFORD FLOWER CLUB will host a flower demonstration entitled "Autumn Splendour" with AOIFA demonstrator Mary Owens from Athboy on **Tuesday, November 10th** @ 8.00pm in the Sylvia Dawson Hall. Admission €10. All welcome.

ESB OUTAGE - Please note there will be no electricity supply to the Cathedral on Wednesday next, **11th November** from 9am to 5.30pm. This means there will be no lighting, heating or sound amplification.

ANNUAL MASS for Deceased Staff Members of Lanesborough ESB will be held in the Parish Hall, Lanesborough (beside the Bridge) on **Wednesday 18th November** at **8pm**. All are welcome.

With the escalating cost of heating oil, we would appreciate if everyone would ensure the doors of the Cathedral are closed at all times and the hooks are not used to hold the doors open.

RESPONSE: ***For you my soul is thirsting, O God, my God.***

GOSPEL READING: Matthew 25: 1-13



Jesus told this parable to his disciples:
'The kingdom of heaven will be like this:
Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to m
were foolish and five were sensible: the foolish
brought no oil, whereas the sensible ones took
The bridegroom was late, and they all grew dro
midnight there was a cry, *"The bridegroom is h*
At this, all those bridesmaids woke up and trimmed their lamps, and the foolish ones said to the sensible ones, *"Give us some of your oil: our lamps are going out"*.
But they replied, *"There may not be enough for us and for you; you had better go to those who sell it and buy some for yourselves"*.
They had gone off to buy it when the bridegroom arrived. Those who were ready went in with him to the wedding hall and the door was closed. The other bridesmaids arrived later. *"Lord, Lord,"* they said *"open the door for us."*
But he replied, *"I tell you solemnly, I do not know you"*.
So stay awake, because you do not know either the day or the hour.'

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CALLED TO SERVE: A day of Support and Inspiration for Parish Ministry on **Saturday 21st November** - 10am-3pm - in Knock Shrine. Are you involved in ministry in your parish, as a Minister of the Eucharist/Word, Sacristan, member of the parish choir, interested in developing a Sensory Mass or interested in becoming involved, visit https://knockshrine.ie/upcoming-events/

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION Would you like to assist at Mass as an extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion? We are now looking for new volunteers for this important Ministry in the Parish. To know if you are suited or suitable, you can ask yourself: *Do I practice my faith [Sunday Mass every week]? Do I have a love for the Holy Eucharist? Do I live in accordance with the Gospel as the Church teaches? Do I desire to be of service to the parish? Do I desire to grow in my faith?* We all have failings and the inner life of the soul is known only to God. Training will be provided. We would like to see candidates come forward who attend Sunday mass regularly, especially younger attendees and recent retirees.





PARISH OF CASHEL NEWSLETTER

Merlyn Kenny 086 0603433 - 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time A 26





Sat	7th	Nov	8.00pm:	Tom Rowan, Cormaglava, (6th anniv).
Mon	9th	Nov	8.00pm:	John Duke, Pollagh.
Tues	10th	Nov	8.00pm:	J.P. Casey, Drumnee, (7th anniv).
Thurs	12th	Nov	8.00pm:	Special Intention.
Fri	13th	Nov	8.00pm:	Regional Pioneer Mass for Deceased Members.
Sat	14th	Nov	8.00pm:	John Gilmore, Carrodger.
Mon	16th	Nov	8.00pm:	Annie, Molly & Pat Forde, Forthill & dfm.
Tues	17th	Nov	8.00pm:	Brian Smyth & dfm, Tipper.

Eucharistic Adoration - continues Wednesday from 3pm-9pm & Friday 8.30pm-9pm.
Rosary: Sat 7th Nov: Gabrielle Flanagan. Sat 14th Nov: Teresa Farrell.
Eucharistic Ministers' Roster: Sat 14th Nov: Kathleen Clarke & Carmel Hopkins.
Readers' Roster: Sat14th Nov: Kate Bohan.

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Tess Mulvihill, The Brow Cross, whose funeral took place today.

The Annual Mass for deceased staff members of ESB Lanesborough will be held in The Parish Hall, Lanesborough (beside the bridge) on Wednesday 18th November at 8pm. All are welcome.

Altar List of the Dead: During the month of November we are invited to remember and pray for our beloved dead. If you would like to include names in the Altar List of the Dead, please take one of the sheets available at the Church entrances and place it in the designated box on the Altar. The names will be remembered in all Masses throughout November

Lotto draw held on Monday 2nd Nov 2026. No's drawn: 12-20-25-27. No jackpot winner. Draw winners: €30 €5 envelopes to Charmaime O Shea, €30 to Conan Casey, €20 each to Padraic Syron and James Flynn. Next weeks draw will be held in The Local on Monday 9th November and the Jackpot is €4,900. Lotto team on next week's draw is Declan Murtagh, Kevin Farrell and Vicky Nolan. Thanks for your support.

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Longford Community Resources: Would your community group like to raise funds? Longford Community Resources CLG is offering free fundraising training on 11th Novemer 2026. You'll learn practical skills and digital tools to plan, launch and manage a successful fundraising campaign for your community group. Contact us on 043 3345555 or leader@lcrl.ie to book your place.

Life messages: **1) We need to be wise enough to remain ever prepared:** Wise Christians live each day in the light of Jesus' vision. Such people find Him in the most ordinary experiences of daily living – in the people they meet, the events that take place, and the situations in which they find themselves. They carefully make their daily choices for God. They are ready to put the commandment of love into practice by kindness and forgiveness. There is absolutely no better way to prepare for the final call than to learn to spend each day in Jesus' company, remembering the assurance, "I am with you always." The following short prayer should be always on their lips: "Lord, grant that all my thoughts, intentions, actions and responses may be directed solely to Your love and service this day. Help me, Lord, to seek, to find, and to respond to You in every single experience this day." When we eventually hear the final call, "Get up! The Master is coming!" we will not be worried, but happy and more than ready to meet Him, as well as old friends and family, in Heaven. God has made this promise to us: "Those who are wise will shine like the brightness of the heavens, and those who lead many to righteousness, like the stars for ever and ever".

2) Let us be sure that our Lamps are ready for the end of our lives: Spiritual readiness, preparation, and growth do not just happen. They come as a result of intentional habits built into one's life. We cannot depend on a Sunday morning Mass to provide all our spiritual needs. We cannot depend on Christian fellowship to provide us with spiritual development. These things come through routine, mundane attention to ordinary spiritual disciplines – making sure we have enough oil: spiritual fuel. They come when we habitually take time for prayer and being alone with God. They come through reading God's Word; living a sacramental life; performing acts of service for others; being morally faithful; obeying God with love, and spending time with other Christians for mutual prayer, study, and encouragement. These are the things which, along with the normal difficulties of life, enable one to grow in Christ and to be prepared for Christ's coming. Without these things, we will not be prepared. The preparation cannot be hit-or-miss, nor can it be postponed. We dare not procrastinate, lest death come unexpectedly and ruin us. We need to develop those things which encourage our spiritual growth into holy habits in our lives, for that growth must take precedence over other interests and claims on our time and attention. As these habits become entrenched, they cease to be a struggle for us and begin to be a source of strength and blessing. They make our lives powerful against the onslaught of the world.

3) What is the oil that we lack? Oil in Scripture is often a symbol for the Holy Spirit. Perhaps we try to spring into action without first submitting our work to the Holy Spirit. Or perhaps we lack the oil of kindness and compassion. There's no way we can be ready to meet Jesus without the essential oils of compassion and mercy. Perhaps we lack the oils of patience, sympathy, and empathy. Without such oils, we are ill-equipped to deal with someone who comes to us in need of comfort, instruction, enlightenment, healing, or Jesus' peace of mind and heart. .



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Fr James Mac Kiernan, Fr Michael McGrath, Fr Tony Gilhooly, Fr Francis Onugha, Fr Jude Bistu

Parish Newsletter

Mass Intentions - 26th Week in Ordinary Time
World Day for Migrants and Refugees

Saturday 26th @ 7pm:	Nicola Murphy & DFM
Sunday 27th @ 10.30am:	No Intention
Monday 28th @ 7pm:	No Intention
Friday 2nd Oct @ 7pm:	Leah Sheridan

Mass Intentions – 27th Week in Ordinary Time

Saturday 3rd Oct @ 7pm:	No Intention
Sunday 4th Oct @ 10.30am:	Florrie Geelan – 1st Anniv

OFFERTORY COLLECTION: We thank you most sincerely for your contributions to the Collection last weekend which amounted to €1,050.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL Meeting will take place on Monday evening, **28th September** at 7.45pm.

FIRST FRIDAY calls will take place on **Thursday**. Please contact the Parish Office, Longford 04333 46465 before Wednesday if you would like a priest to call with Holy Communion.

CONFESSIONS will be heard in St Mel's Cathedral on **Thursday 1st October** - 10.30-11.30am and 7.00-7.30pm.

BAPTISM MEETING: All those with a child for Baptism in the coming months are advised that the next Baptism Enrolment Meeting will take place on Friday evening, **2nd October** at **8pm** in the Octagonal Room**, St Mel's Cathedral**.

27th September 2026

PARISH FUNERAL MINISTRY training commences on **Wednesday 30th September** for 3 consecutive Wednesday nights in the Family Centre, St Mel's Road, Longford N39 E927- tea/coffee @ 7pm, workshop @ 7.30pm.

DEPAUL LONGFORD HOMELESS SERVICE will hold their Annual Churchgate Collection **3rd/4th October**. All donations gratefully appreciated. Thank you for your support.

ST MARY'S CHURCH CHOIR welcomes new members. Rehearsals take place Tuesdays 7.30–9pm. No previous choir experience necessary; music and learning tracks provided. Contact Margaret Brennan 087 753 0247/smccsings@gmail.com.

LONGFORD ALZHEIMER CAFÉ hold their next monthly meeting on **Wednesday 30th September** @ 7pm in their office on Earl Street, Longford.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION takes place in St Mary's Church every **Wednesday** from 7pm–8pm

BLESSING OF FAMILY PETS You are invited to bring along your family pets for a special blessing on **Sunday 4th October at 3pm** in the Portico of the Cathedral. Please pass on this invitation to your neighbours, friends and family. We look forward to seeing all creatures - great and small – and ask that owners are careful to keep their pets and others safe and secure on the day.

OFFICE HOURS: Monday & **Wednesday** - Parochial House - 9am to 12noon.

Next Weekend	**Readers:**	**Eucharistic Ministers:**
7pm	Ann McCann	Martin Ross
10.30am	Laura Hussey	Elizabeth Moore

On-line banking: IBAN: IE34 AIBK 9321 4026 9364 22 (BIC AIBKIE2D). Parish of Clonguish A/c AIB Longford

If you need the assistance of a priest or wish to make a booking for Baptism or Wedding please contact: The Presbytery, St Mel's, Longford

email: mcdcoath@gmail.com FR. PIERRE MOBILE: 087 6960542

WEEKDAY MASSES
Tuesday,
Boherquill – 9.30 am
Wednesday,
Rathowen – 9.30am
Thursday,
Rathowen – 9.30am. Adoration 10-10.30am
Friday,
Boherquill – 8pm. Margaret Quinn DFM

WEEKDAY MASSES 7th/8th
Sat 7th: Raymond Murphy. Jack, Paddy Casey, Molly Sawyer. Ann & Jodie Cevine, Lismacraffery.
Sun 8th: Tommy Donohoe M/M/
Sat 14th:Kitty Tighe M/M. Paddy,Mary, Dympna, Scott Reilly Joseph, & Mary Newman, children, Oliver, Lorretta, Christopher, & Mary. Jackie Newman.
Sun 15th: Tess Murray M/M

Mass Intentions

CATHOLIC HEADLINES

1:Pew research findings:Youngest adults outpace parents' generation in worship attendances. 2:The Crown prince of Liechtenstein vetoed legislation to permit abortion on demand. 3:Kenyan government seeks churches help in containing the spread of Ebola 4:Religious orders in El Salvador seek to protect the local community from mega-prision pollution. 5 Norway takes a new (old) look at Synodality. 6: Africa surpasses Europe in Catholic population;church leaders highlight missionary role. 7:Eye witness to Spanish train crash aftermath recounts dying man's final words:'God is good" 8:Pope Leo's South American tour raises hopes across Uruguay, Argentina, Peru.9: Christians have deep roots in Jordan, expert tells Crux newspaper after deadly church attack.10:Polish bishops appeal for dialogue as constitutional court standoff deepens.

SAINTLY WISDOM 'DEATH'

"I find no fault with you death:that you are stingy with those who long for you,and too lavish with those who flee from you" (Saint Catherine of Genoa)

" To the good man to die is gain. The foolish fear death as the greatest evil; the wise desire it as rest after their labours and the end of ills" (Saint Augustine of Hippo)

YOUTH RETREAT

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FRIDAY ADORATION: There will be no adoration in Boherquill this coming Friday, there will be mass at 8pm.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION 31ST/1ST

Streete 290
Rathowen 253



A LITTLE THEOLOGY 'BODILY RESURRECTION'

At the very core of catholic faith and hope is the profession of the resurrection of the body on the last day, we believe that at the end of time, every human soul will be permanently reunited with a real, material and transformed body. The church sees the human being as both body and soul an essential of both, salvation in not just the escape of the soul,but the redemption of the entire person The physical resurrection of Jesus is the model and source for the longed for resurrection of all people. Unlike many religions and philosophies that view the material world as either evil of passing ,the church proclaims the dignity of the body and the material world as good, because they were made by God, and He proclaims all that he has made as good. For the faithful the resurrected body will share in the qualities of Christ glorified, it will be incorruptible and immortal, it remains physical, yet will be completely subject to the spirit and the life of God.

RED NOVEMBER

This year Aid to the church in need will once again draw the attention of the church and the world to the ongoing persecution of the church throughout the world. Each year there are 1000s of acts of violence, murder, confiscation of property and restrictions on christians human rights. On Nov 18th churches are asked to highlight this persecution, to pray for our brothers and sisters in their need.

PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING.

The pastoral council meet last week to discuss the continued growth and development of the parish faith community, among the items discussed and agreed upon here the inclusion of the remembrance tree in both churches, where you are invited to put the names of your loved one on the tree during the month of Nov The annual Christmas Carol service will take place on Monday Dec 21st in Boherquill. Each parish has a connection to a saint in Rathowen it is St Dermot and in Streete it is St Fintan, little is known of either saint and there is no feast day associated with either saint.The Pastoral council have assigned June 15th too St Dermot and August 19th to St Fintan. In the coming years it is hoped to hold a patron on the respective feast days.

NOVEMBER THROUGHOUT THE WORLD

In Ireland November holds a special the time we recall the dead, pray for them visit their graves, in Greece the bring olives and cheese to the grave and share a meal, while in Italy families pour wine on the graves of their family member and the Spanish visit their local church 7 times and pray for the dead. In Belgium and Holland children go from house to house asking for 'Soul cakes' and promise to pray for the dead of the family, In parts of Peru families leave lit candles in the window telling the departed that the residents are praying for the souls in Purgoratory.