

BEAUPARC & KENTSTOWN PARISH

11 October 2026 – THE TWENTY EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A

St Patrick's Pastoral Area comprising of the Parishes of Beauparc, Duleek, Rathkenny & Slane

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KENTSTOWN CHURCH OF THE ASSUMPTION Eircode **C15 ED21**
 WebCam: <https://mcn.live/Camera/churchof-the-assumption-kentstown>

SATURDAY 6:00 pm – Eamonn O'Brien, Month's Mem. - Paddy McLoughlin & Family - Jimmy, Kathleen, Oliver & Elaine Lynch & Paddy & Kathleen Harford - CONFIRMATION ENROLMENT
SUNDAY 9:00 am – David & Mary Dillon, Brian & Ailish Boyd, Bridie Lynch & the Dillon, & McEntaggart Families.

Tuesday (Peter, Anna & Eilish Shevlin & Family) & Wednesday **10am**

SATURDAY 6:00 pm – FIRST COMMUNION ENROLMENT
 Patsy & Bebe Whyte – Martin Dunne

SUNDAY 9:00 am –

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SATURDAY NO VIGIL MASS IN BEAUPARC DURING OCTOBER
SUNDAY 11:00 am – Padraic Gilligan, Month's Mem. – Paddy Owens, Month's Mem. – Doreen Dignam & Doreen Harbour – Colm Bennett - CONFIRMATION ENROLMENT

Monday & Thursday (Brigid Farrell) at **9am** & Friday at **10am**

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SUNDAY 11:00 am – MISSION SUNDAY – Frank Murray Martin & Teresa Smith –
 FIRST COMMUNION ENROLMENT –

MASS FOR GRANDPARENTS & OLDER MEMBERS OF OUR COMMUNITY

THE IRISH CATHOLIC price has increased from €3.50 to **€3.80**.

AR DHEIS DÉ GO RAIBH A HANAM
 MARY DONNELLY (NÉE MOONEY) Bishopstown, Cork

FLEMING FUND COLLECTION - SUPPORTING SICK & RETIRED PRIESTS: a SECOND COLLECTION will be taken up at all Masses THIS WEEKEND for the support and care of sick & retired priests of the diocese of Meath.

Mass to celebrate **GRANDPARENTS AND OLDER MEMBERS OF OUR PARISH** at 11am next Sun 18 Oct in Yellow Furze, Beauparc church. Tea and refreshments will be served in the church hall afterwards

PRAYER TO THE HOLY SPIRIT

Spirit of God, grant me:
 the gift of WISDOM to see the world through your eyes, the gift of COUNSEL to make difficult decisions, the gifts of KNOWLEDGE and UNDERSTANDING to use my mind to know you and to love you, the gift of FORTITUDE to have the courage to live in the faith despite the difficulties and disappointments, the gift of PIETY to be able to express my special love and commitment to you, and the right kind of AWESOME FEAR that makes me pause to wonder and revere God's love. Amen.

Our **NEXT CONFIRMATION PREPARATION MASSES** will take place on Sat 21 & Sun 22 November.

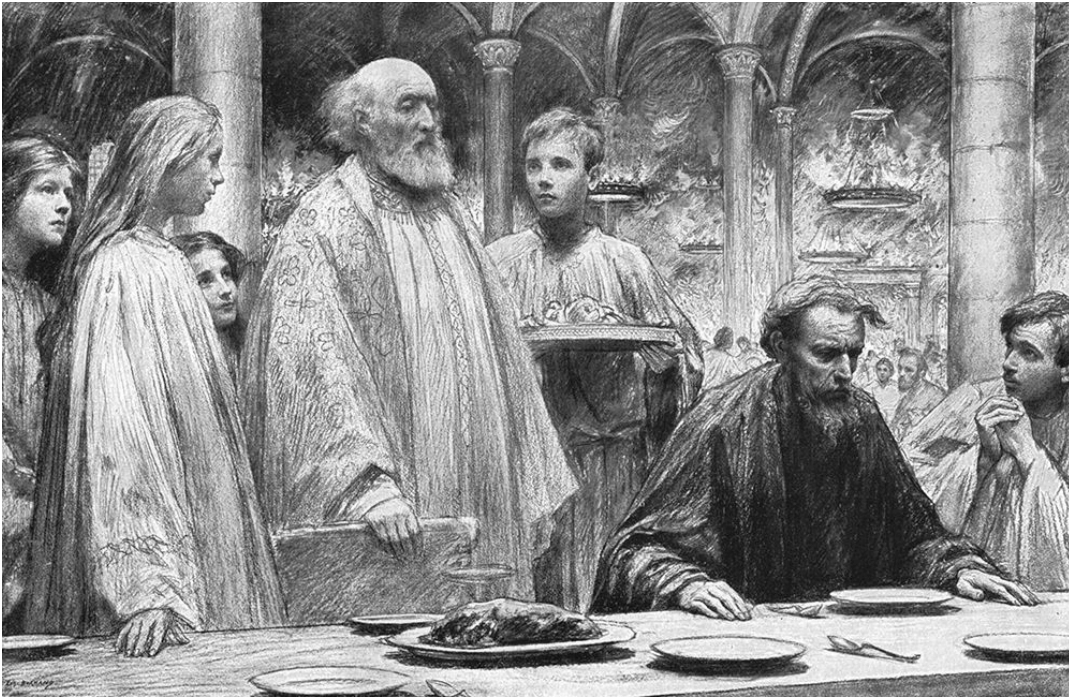
CARETAKER REQUIRED FOR KENTSTOWN N.S.

Part-time, flexible hours. For more information call 041 98 25 458 or email kenttownschool@gmail.com

HOUSE ROSARIES FOR OCTOBER - All are invited.

Mondays at 8pm - Brian & Mary McGovern, Skerrymount
Tuesdays at 8pm - Violet & Michael Brown, Thurstanstown
Tuesdays at 8pm - Margaret Carney, Hayestown
Thursdays at 7pm - Seán & Carmel Heary, Deanhill
Thursdays at 7.30pm - Pat & Patti Croghan, Painstown

THE ROSARY will be prayed in Walterstown Church at 6:45pm on Monday to Friday during the month of October.



Mass times for the week ahead	MASS INTENTIONS
Saturday 10th October @7.00pm <i>Clara</i>	Kathleen Newman. Mary, Bridget & David McGrath. Vladimir Pankin.
Sunday 11th October @10.00am <i>Horseleap</i>	John & Margaret & deceased of McCormack family. Ned Robbins.
Sunday 11th October @11.30am <i>Clara</i>	Kathleen, May & Jimmy Newman. Theresa Browne. Cath Berry. Jack & Lily Lynam. Paul Cornally.
Tuesday 13th October @7.30pm <i>Clara</i>	Walter, Aileen & Pat Ennis. Mena Flynn. Tommy Harris. Patrick & Bridget Scanlon. John & Bridget Hynes.
Wednesday 14th October @7.30pm <i>Clara</i>	<i>St. Callistus I, Pope</i> 'Wave of Light' Mass for Babies lost during Pregnancy, at Birth or in Infancy. Joe & May Kennedy.
Thursday 15th October @10.00am <i>Clara</i>	<i>St. Teresa of Avila</i> No Intention.
Friday 16th October @10.00am <i>Clara</i>	<i>St. Margaret Mary Alacoque</i> No Intention.
Saturday 17th October @10.00am <i>Clara</i>	<i>St. Ignatius of Antioch</i> James, Maura, William & Frank Stones. Deceased of the Stones & Bracken families.
Saturday 17th October @7.00pm <i>Clara</i>	Vincent & Maeve Weir. John & Annie Rock. Liam McCaffrey. Lar & Mary Hackett.
Sunday 18th October @10.00am <i>Horseleap</i>	Joe & Eileen Johnson. Daniel & Ellen Scally. Deceased of Moran & Harrington families.
Sunday 18th October @11.30am <i>Clara</i>	Paddy Rabbitte. Vincent Dignam.

Please pray for Martin Reilly, Sylver Hill; and for Mark Malone, Armstrong Grove. R.I.P.

Adoration of the Blessed Eucharist

CLARA: Monday & Friday – 5.00pm-6.00pm

CLARA: Tuesday & Wednesday – after 7.30pm Mass to 9.00pm.

HORSELEAP: Tuesday– 7.00pm-8.00pm

All are welcome!

Come and find peace in the Lord.

Also on the First Saturday of every month- Devotions in Clara church at 2.55pm. Everyone welcome to attend. Join us for even a brief period of time.

Do you keep saying “later” to God, while the busy things take up every hour?

The wedding banquet used in today's Gospel points to the joy at the end of all things, where God and His people are one and grief is over. It is the best news there has ever been. And now watch what the invited guests do with it. They will not come. The king sends servants to call them, and they make light of it. One goes off to his farm, another to his business. They are busy with things to do, and the feast can wait, and so they decline the one invitation that outlasts the grave. This is the quiet tragedy, and it is ours more than we like to admit. God is rarely refused by dramatic rejection. He is refused by distraction. By good and ordinary things, the work, the errands, the screen, the thousand tasks that are not sins but that silently fill every hour the feast was meant to have. We do not say no to God. We say later. We say when things settle. So the king does something astonishing. He says, the feast is ready, but those invited were not worthy. Go out to the roads, to the edges of town, and invite everyone you find, both bad and good, until the hall is full. The ones too busy miss it. The ones with no claim at all, the poor, the overlooked, the sinners from the street corners, are carried in to the wedding. This is the mercy underneath the whole parable. When the comfortable decline, God does not cancel the feast. He widens the door. The people who know they are hungry come running, while the people who thought they had better things to do stay home with their better things. The feast is free, but it is not cheap. We are all invited exactly as we are, off the street, unworthy, carrying our sins. However, we cannot come to the wedding of the Lamb and insist on staying exactly as we walked in. To accept the invitation is to accept being changed by it. The deepest hunger in us, the one no farm or business or busy hour can touch, is the hunger for this feast, for God Himself. So the invitation is in your hands today, as real as it was on Isaiah's mountain. The feast that swallows up death is prepared. The only question is whether we will come, or send our regrets and go back to being busy. The table is set. The hall is filling. And still He sends His servants out to the roads to find us...

Collections 3rd/4th October – Development Fund: €1,310; Plate: €905; October Offerings: €1,450.

Thank You Very Much!

For less than the cost of a cup of coffee, you can support our parish with a quick and simple donation, by simply clicking the button below:

World Mission Sunday will be celebrated next Sunday 18th October. The theme for this year's celebration of Mission Sunday is: **"One in Christ, United in Mission"**. Missionaries do so much, walking hand-in-hand with marginalised communities, long before and after any emergency. You can show missionaries you care by supporting World Mission Sunday. Your prayers and generosity will change lives. Donate at www.missio.ie or call [\(01\) 497 2035](tel:(01)4972035).

Concert in aid of Crumlin Children's Hospital in St. Brigid's Church, Sunday 18th October @ 5.00pm. Contact [\(087\) 954 4943](tel:(087)9544943) for tickets.

Closing of the Diocesan process on the canonisation cause of Fr. Willie Doyle SJ, Sunday 18th October @ 4.00pm in the Cathedral, Mullingar. All are welcome.

Volunteer Opportunities Available: St Brigid's Credit Union are seeking enthusiastic and committed volunteers to support their work in the local community. This is an opportunity to share your skills, meet new people and make a meaningful contribution. If you are interested, phone [\(057\) 933 1196](tel:(057)9331196) for further information.

40 Hours Adoration Ceili Community Kilbeggan, 29th October – 2nd November from 1.00pm to 9.00pm daily. Themes include eucharistic healing and healing of the family tree, Family and forgiveness. All saints, all souls Mass at 8.00pm daily. Enquires to [\(087\) 253 9725](tel:(087)2539725)

World Youth Day Seoul, Korea (27th July – 10th August, 2027). If interested in joining the Meath Diocesan group for this gathering of young Catholics (aged 19-35) with Pope Leo see posters in your parish church or email: meathyouth@gmail.com. Full costs €2,250. **Info Get2gether on Sunday 4th October 3.00pm in St. Anne's Centre St. Mary's Church, Navan, Co. Meath. C15 W0YX**

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Curraha

WEEKEND MASSES

ARDCATH: 6:30PM (SAT VIGIL)

CLONALVY: 10.00AM (SUNDAY)

CURRAHA: 11:30AM (SUNDAY)

CURATE: FR. STEVE CIUBOTARU

FRSTEVECC@GMAIL.COM 0873379031

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PASTORAL AREA OF ASHBOURNE, ARDCATH/CLONALVY, CURRAGHA, DUNSHAUGHLIN, RATOATH AND SKRYNE

Few Are Chosen

Matthew 22:1-14

PARISH NEWSLETTER

TWENTY EIGHT SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

11TH OCTOBER 2026

COME TO THE FEAST

MATTHEW 22

Sunday	18 th Oct	MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST	MINISTERS OF THE WORD
Ardcath	6.30pm	Eithne O’Sullivan	Maire McKenna
Clonalvy	10.00am	Tom Bowler	Margaret Andrews
Curraha	11.30am	Claire O’Connor	Dearbhla O’Connor

SUNDAY 11TH OCTOBER 28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Vigil	Ardcath	6.30pm	M.M. Tony Fanthorpe
Sunday	Clonalvy	10.00am	A.V. Patrick & Nano Whyte
Sunday	Curraha	11.30am	A.V. Lawrence & Marion King
Mon	12 th Curraha	7.30pm	Terry Houlihan, Paddy Wilson
Tues	13 th Clonalvy	9.30am	Special intention
Thur	15 th Curraha	9.30am	Paddy Wilson
Fri	16 th Ardcath	9.30am	Special intention

Wedding Garment Was Missing

Matthew 22:11

The garments is holiness, love, forgiveness, and Christ-like character

SUNDAY 18TH OCTOBER MISSION SUNDAY TWENTY NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Vigil	Ardcath	6.30pm	A.V. Danny Baxter & DFM
			A.V. Edel Thompson
Sunday	Clonalvy	10.00am	A.V. Dick & Mona Barnwell & DFM
Sunday	Curraha	11.30am	M.M. Phil Maguire
			D.M. McGuinness & Fitzpatrick Families
			Catherine Halpin

PARISH COLLECTIONS 29TH & 30TH August 2026

	Ardcath	Clonalvy	Curraha	THANK YOU
Offertory	€ 189.42	€175.95	€ 365.76	FOR YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT
Envelopes	€ 50.00	€ 0.00	€ 445.00	OF THE WORK AND UPKEEP
Offerings	€ 20.00	€ 0.00	€ 445.00	OF OUR PARISH

SCAN & DONATE!

ONE STEP AWAY - CURRAGHA IN THE FINAL: After Sunday’s excellent victory over Slane, Curragha’s Adult Men’s 1st Team now look ahead to the Junior Championship Final against Ballinlough. The decider takes place in Simonstown on 16 October at 8.00pm. While keeping our feet firmly on the ground, we encourage a huge Curraha support and club colours throughout the parish.

MY SINCERE THANKS

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to all who support last Sunday’s Special Collection for Sick and Retired Priests. Through your generosity, we can help provide care and support for priests who have faithfully served our Diocese and now depend on diocesan assistance in retirement or illness. Your kindness and continued support are greatly appreciated by all.

HARVEST THANKSGIVING MASS – 26/27 OCTOBER:

Our Harvest Thanksgiving Masses on 26/27 October provide an opportunity to give thanks for the fruits of the earth, the dedication of our farming families, and God's blessings throughout the year. As a parish community, we come together in prayer and gratitude, celebrating our rural heritage, faith, and shared responsibility for caring for creation.

Curraha I.C.A will meet in the Parish Centre at 12.30 on Monday 12th at 12.30pm. We have a guest speaker from Community Hearing Health and Independent living if you would like to join us but not a member you are welcome.

Curraha v Ballinlough

Friday 16th October

8pm in Simonstown

HARVEST THANKSGIVING

WELCOME TO OUR PARISH! You have arrived in a rural Catholic community living the Gospel through Eucharist, prayer, and charity. Rooted in faith and Irish heritage. Journeying together in Christ: spreading faith, nurturing communion, sharing God’s blessings. May you feel as good as possible among us and benefit from this experience!

Annual Bereavement Mass

ANNUAL MASSES FOR THE BEREAVED:

We warmly invite the families of parishioners who have died since last November to the **Annual Masses for the Bereaved on the weekend of 7th-8th November**. Together, we will remember our loved ones in prayer, give thanks for their lives, and find comfort, strength, and hope in our faith and parish community.

JESUS STORY:

A king prepared a wonderful wedding feast for his son and sent invitations to many people. But some were too busy to come! So, the king invited everyone who was willing to say yes. The feast was filled with joy. God invites us too. Let us come with hearts full kindness and faith, ready to celebrate with Him every day.

HABITS OF THE HEART:

Jesus was always available to those who needed Him. Develop the habit of being present, listening patiently, helping willingly, and giving your time generously. Being available is a gift of love. It builds friendships, strengthens families, and reflects the caring heart of Jesus in everyday life.

ABC OF FAITH:

Building means helping to create God's Kingdom on earth. We build with acts of kindness, words of encouragement, and service to others. Jesus is our foundation and guide. Every good deed, however small, helps build a stronger family, a better community, and a more loving Church.

ILLUSION OF CONTROL:

We often think we are in charge of everything, planning every detail and worrying about every outcome. Yet life reminds us that not everything is under our control. Jesus invites us to trust God, do our best, and leave the rest in His hands. Faith grows when trust replaces worry.

MISSIONARY ROSARY:

The Missionary Rosary invites us to pray for the Church throughout the world. Each coloured decade represents a different continent: Africa, the Americas, Europe, Asia, and Oceania. Inspired by Archbishop Fulton Sheen, this special Rosary helps us remember missionaries and their work, fostering unity, compassion, and a deeper concern for people everywhere.

8 DAYS OF LIGHT – WE REMEMBER THEM:

From **1st to 8th November**, our parish invites you to our Novena for All Souls. Add the names of your loved ones to the **Garden of Remembrance** and join us each mass in prayer. We conclude with our **Annual Remembrance Mass** on **Sunday, 8th November**. A special welcome to all who have been bereaved during the past year.

ST CARLO ACUTIS:

On 12 October, we honour St Carlo Acutis, a young saint whose deep love for the Eucharist and commitment to prayer continue to inspire people worldwide. Through his ordinary life lived with extraordinary faith, Carlo reminds us that holiness is attainable for everyone. May his example encourage us to place Christ at the centre of our daily lives.

SAINT MARGARET MARY ALACOQUE:

On 16th October, the Church honours Saint Margaret Mary Alacoque, who helped spread devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Through prayer, humility, and trust in God's mercy, she inspired countless people to grow closer to Christ. Her example encourages us to open our hearts to His love and compassion.

SAINT IGNATIUS OF ANTIOCH:

On 17th October, the Church commemorates Saint Ignatius of Antioch, bishop, martyr, and faithful disciple of Christ. On his journey to martyrdom, he encouraged Christians to remain united in faith and love. His courageous witness inspires us to trust God, stand firm in truth, and follow Christ with conviction.

SAINT LUKE THE EVANGELIST:

On 18th October, the Church celebrates Saint Luke the Evangelist, physician, companion of Saint Paul, and author of the Gospel of Luke and the Acts of the Apostles. His writings reveal Christ’s mercy, compassion, and care for all. Saint Luke inspires us to share the Gospel with faith, wisdom, and love.

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY:

Next Sunday, 18th October, we celebrate World Mission Sunday, supporting the Church’s mission in some of the world’s poorest communities. Through our prayers and generosity, we help bring the Gospel, hope, and practical assistance to those in need. Every contribution makes a difference and strengthens the Church’s worldwide mission.

NOVEMBER LIST OF THE DEAD:

As November, the Month of the Holy Souls, approaches, parishioners are invited to submit their **List of the Dead** for remembrance at all November Masses and First Fridays. Envelopes are available in church. Through prayer and remembrance, we honour our loved ones and entrust them to God’s eternal mercy and peace.



Parish of Dunboyne and Kilbride. Parish Grouping - Dunboyne Kilcloon Moynalvey

Saturday 3rd October 2026 – Sunday 11th October 2026

Telephone: 01-8255342.

Parish Office Hours:

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday (closed Wednesday)

9.30 am – 1.00 pm; 1.45 – 3.30 pm.

Email: dunboynekilbride.parish@gmail.com.

Website: www.dunboynekilbrideparish.org.

Mass Intentions: Dunboyne.

Saturday	7 pm	Roisin Graham (Month's Mind) Paddy & Betty Barker Stuart & Johnny Farrell & Jack & Judy Donohoe.
Sunday	9 am	
	11.30 am	Helen O'Connor (Month's Mind) Ita McCarney.
Monday	9 am	
Tuesday	9 am	John, Josephine, Paul & David Curtis.
Wednesday	9 am	Novena Mass to end abortion and protect the life of the unborn.
Thursday	9 am	
Friday	9 am	
Saturday	10 am	
	7 pm	Margaret & John Maguire Deceased members of the Skelton Family Jim & Mary Lineen & Jean Lyons.
Sunday	9 am	Andrew Wall.
	11.30am	Kathleen & Bernard Higgins.

Intentions: Kilbride.

Saturday	6 pm	Peter Thornton.
Sunday	10 am	Phil Dunne.
Saturday	6 pm	
Sunday	10 am	

Fr Willie Doyle Tribunal - Father Doyle was an Irish Jesuit priest who served as a British Army Chaplain in World War One and gave his life ministering to soldiers at the Battle of Passchendaele in 1917. Since then, his cult has been strong and Bishop Tom opened the Diocesan Tribunal for the Cause of his Canonisation in 2022 with the approval of the Holy See. The Investigation has progressed well; the Historical Commission, the Theological Investigation and the Tribunal itself have now almost concluded. *Accordingly, the Public Concluding Session of the Tribunal will occur after the celebration of Vespers in the Cathedral of Christ the King in Mullingar on **Sunday, October 18th 2026 at 4.00pm.***

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Special Collection: The Offertory collection this weekend will be to provide support for retired priests of the Diocese of Meath. We have a number of priests presently who are in nursing care.

World Youth Day Seoul, Korea (27th July - 10th Aug. 2027)



If interested in joining the Meath Diocesan group for this gathering of young Catholics (aged 19-35) with Pope Leo please check out the QR code, see posters in your parish church or email: meathyouth@gmail.com. Only a limited number of seats available; full costs €2,250. **You are welcome to an info Get2gether on Sunday 4th October at 3pm in St. Anne's Resource Centre on the grounds of St. Mary's Church, Navan, Co. Meath. C15 W0YX**



Dunboyne Junior Primary School

Junior Infants 2027 Admissions

- **Applications open:** Applications for Junior Infants 2027 may be submitted through the school website, www.dunboynejps.ie, from **9.00 a.m. on Thursday, 1 October 2026**.
- Closing date for applications: 12 noon on **Saturday, 31 October 2026**.
- Applicants notified of the outcome by: **Monday, 16 November 2026**.
- Deadline for accepting an offer: **Monday, 23 November 2026**.

Dates for the Diary:

Confirmation :	Saturday 13th February 2027. Application date closed.
First Penance:	Monday 15th February at 6:30pm - Dunboyne Junior School. Tuesday 16th February at 6:30pm - Gaelscoil Wednesday 17th February at 6:30pm - Scoil Bhride, Kilbride.
First Holy Communion:	Saturday 17th April at 10:00 am - Dunboyne Junior Primary School. Saturday 17th April at 12:30pm - Gaelscoil. Saturday 24th April at 10:00am - Scoil Bhride, Kilbride.
Cemetery Sunday:	Sunday 27th June 2027.

The Diocesan Choir is now recruiting new members and is hosting two information nights in that regard.
Tuesday, 6th October in St. Paul's Church in Mullingar
or
Monday 12th October in St. Anne's chapel attached to Navan Parish Church

Visiting the Sick: As the list of patients is no longer available to the priest at the hospital reception desks, if any member of your family is sick in hospital, nursing centre or at home and would like a visit from the priest please feel free to contact the Parochial House at any time at (01) 8255342

Rosary for children continues every Monday at 3pm in the church baptistry. A special invitation for grandparents to join us with their grandchildren. Everybody welcome.

List of the Dead: The envelopes are now available at the back of the church in Dunboyne and Kilbride. Masses for those on the List of the Dead are celebrated every First Friday and All Souls on the 2nd November.

Safeguarding Sunday : Thanks to our parish Safeguarding representatives. We thank them for their oversight, support and encouragement. Further information available at www.meathsafeguarding.ie. Our representatives are John Reynolds and Eleanor Healy.



Eucharistic Adoration:

Dunboyne - Dunboyne on Tuesday and Friday after 9 am Mass until 8 pm in the Baptistry at the top left hand side of the Church.

Pray for vocations to the priesthood in our Diocese.

Rosary and Prayer for Priests on Saturday morning at 9am before 10 am Mass. All welcome.

Divine Mercy Prayer Meeting in the Baptistry on Tuesdays at 7 pm. All welcome.

Dunboyne Pioneer Association: If you are interested in joining. Please call 087 6182713.

Vincent's Charity Shop opens Monday to Saturday from 10am to 4.30pm. Shop Phone number: 083 3342873 Need Help: Contact Freephone : - 1800 677777.

Community Notices

MAHS : The next Meath Archaeological and Historical Society lecture on Sunday, October 11th will be our annual George Eogan Memorial Lecture, entitled "**Tara by Name, Tara by Nature? - Exploring the Archaeology of 'Other' Tara Places on the Island of Ireland**". The lecture will be given by Dr Susan Curran (Discovery Programme) and will take place at the George Eogan Cultural & Heritage Centre, Nobber (Eircode A82 WY10) at 3.00pm.

Meath Cares About Older People 2026' Event will be held on Wednesday 7th October in the City North Hotel & Conference Centre, Gormanston, Co. Meath, 10.30 am – 2 pm.
The event showcases the wide range of supports and services available to older people throughout County Meath. Advance booking is recommended as places are limited. To reserve a place please call 046 9057400 or email community@meathcoco.ie.
Oíche Oscailte/Open Night Gaelscoil Thulach na nÓg, 7th October 2026 7.30pm, School Hall, Rooske Road, Dunboyne.

COLLECTIONS

Dunboyne Offertory Collection - €1,628.00
Dunboyne Development - €1,435.00
Kilbride Offertory - €267.00
Kilbride Development - €50.00



CHURCH OF ST. COLMCILLE KELLS
CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION GIRLEY
Kells Pastoral Area with Parishes of Kells, Carnaross, Kilskyre & Moynalty



SUNDAY 11TH OCTOBER 2026

Masses Kells - Saturday Vigil 6.30pm; Sunday 9.30am & 12noon
Girley - Sunday 10.30am

Weekdays - 10am Confessions after the 10am on Saturdays

Priests of the Parish: Fr. Mark English PP, Fr. Declan Kelly CC & Fr. John Byrne AP
Parish Secretary: Emma Woods Parish Office Hours: Mon - Thurs 10am - 3pm

Parochial House & Parish Office: 046/9240213;

Email: info@kellsparish.ie

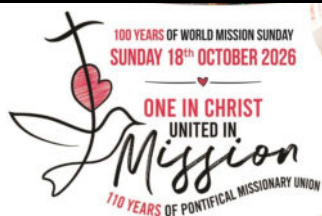
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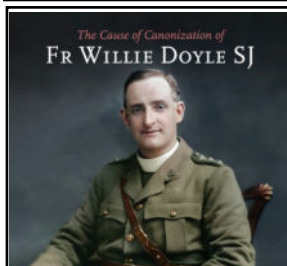
OCTOBER is the Month dedicated to the Holy Rosary and also to the Mission of the Church. Despite everything, we know how blessed we are to live in this part of the world. So let us count our blessings and pray for those who live in parts of the world crippled with great distress. 'We fly to Thy protection, O Holy Mother of God. Do not despise our petitions in our necessities, but deliver us always from all dangers, O Glorious and Blessed Virgin'. Pope Leo has asked us to dedicate the daily Rosary for peace in our world.



CONGRATULATIONS to Eureka School and the Mercy Order as they celebrate 70 years of the School in this year which marks 200 years since the founding of the Mercy Sisters by Sr. Catherine McAuley.



World Mission Sunday is a time for the faithful of the Church to show their appreciation towards the work of overseas missions. The annual collection will take place next weekend at all masses. "Missionaries of hope among all peoples". www.missio.ie for further information.



The Cause of Canonization of
FR WILLIE DOYLE SJ

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Recently Decased

**Christopher (Cricky) Roche, New York & formerly Fr McCullen Park, Kells;
Anne Fitzsimons, Kenlis Lodge, Kells;
Yurek Karpinski, Poland**

Mass Intentions for Kells

Sat (Oct 10)	6.30pm	- Kathleen (Kay) Matthews , Oliver Plunkett Rd (1st Anniv) - Mary Horan , Grange, Carlanstown (1st Anniv) - Ann Bray , Navan; Also Eileen Quinlan , Kilmainham - Patrick Tormay , Blackwater Heights
Sun (Oct 11)	9.30am	- Liam Mallon
	12.00pm	- Stephen McManus , O'Growney Tee (MM) - Helen McLoughlin Mooney & Vincy Mooney - Mary Reynolds , Drumbaragh; Also dec'd mems Reynolds & Gallagher Families - Seamus O'Reilly , Maudlin Villa - Tom Gavigan , Loyd
Mon (Oct 12)	10.00am	-
Tues (Oct 13)	10.00am	-
Wed (Oct 14)	10.00am	-
Thurs (Oct 15)	10.00am	- Ann Rosney & dec'd mems Morgan Family
Fri (Oct 16)	10.00am	-
Sat (Oct 17)	10.00am	- ANNIVERSARIES OCCURRING
	6.30pm	-
Sun (Oct 18)	9.30am	-
	12.00pm	- Katherine McNena , Rockfield Rd (MM) - Mattie Barrett , Moynalty Rd - Alec Luddy , Kenlis Crescent - Anne Coyne , Gardenrath - Ellen (Nellie) Power , O'Growney Tee

Mass Intentions for Girley

Sun (Oct 11)	10.30am	-
Sun (Oct 18)	10.30am	-

Congratulations and huge thanks to our Choir Director Derek Eakins and our Church Choir for putting together the recent concert. Thank you to all who supported the concert in aid of Blackwater Community First Responders and the appeal for The Chapel in Dibor, Christ the King of Peace Parish, Joypurhat Diocese, Bangladesh. Proceeds have totalled €4,210 which will be divided between both charitable causes.

COMMUNITY NOTICES: GLOBAL ROSARY FOR PEACE: This will bring hundreds of thousands of people together in a worldwide rosary, united in one powerful intention - peace in our world and in our communities. You are invited to join the Knights of St Columbanus in participation in this rosary in the Church of St Colmcille, Kells at 3p.m. on Thurs 22nd Oct. **KELLS MUSICAL AND DRAMATIC SOCIETY '76** celebrates its 50th birthday entertaining Kells with a Golden Ball on Sat 31st Oct in Headfort Arms Hotel at 7.30pm and would love to see you at this special occasion. Tickets €60 from any committee member, Headfort Arms Hotel and Brian Curran's Castle Elegance shop. Call John 0872079557. Hope to see you there!! **KELLS LIVELY CITIZENS** Tea Dance on Sun 11th Oct, 3-6pm in Eureka House. Music Liam & Jim. All welcome. **NAVAN FLORAL ART CLUB** is having a floral demonstration in The Ard Boyne Hotel on Wed 14th Oct 2026 at the new time of 7.30pm. Demonstrators on the night are Naomi Mulligan & Yvette Broomfield. All welcome.

COLLECTIONS (Kells & Girley)

Plate Collection : €2,166

Weekly Env: €521

Offerings: €1622

Thank you to all who contribute, count & collect.

If you wish to contribute by online banking our details are: Kells Church; IE17BOFI90344525066479



God's People Our Parish

KILBEGGAN: Saturday Vigil 7.30p.m. & Sunday 11a.m.

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 9.30a.m.

Wednesday 7.30p.m. & Saturday 10a.m

Confessions: Saturday 10.30a.m. - 11.30a.m.

RAHUGH: Sunday 9.30a.m.

Fr. Brendan Corrigan: 087 2618353 Email: brendanfcorrigan@gmail.com

Website and Webcam: <https://www.kilbegganparish.ie>

Tullamore Pastoral Area: Kilbeggan / Tullamore / Rahan / Kilcormac / English

I can do all things through
Christ who strengthens
me.

Philippians 4:13

Twenty - Eight Sunday in Ordinary Time

7.30 p.m.

9.30 a.m. Paddy Quinn, Mick and Pat Kelly

11 a.m.

Saturday 10 a.m. John and Margaret Gibson and deceased family

Twenty - Nineth Sunday in Ordinary Time (World Mission Sunday)

7.30 p.m. Baby Millie Arthurs, First Anniversary

Daniel, Patricia and Kevin McCarthy

Deceased members of the Langan family, Skeahanagh
and Maureen McConville

9.30 a.m. Ned and Cecilia Molloy

11 a.m. Barney and Maura Troy



Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament - Kilbeggan: Monday 10 a.m. - 11 a.m.;

Wednesday 6.30 p.m. until start of Mass at 7.30p.m.; and Rahugh: Friday 7 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Flemming Fund for Sick & Retired Priests (Plate 3/4 Oct.): €2,135; Maintenance: €200;

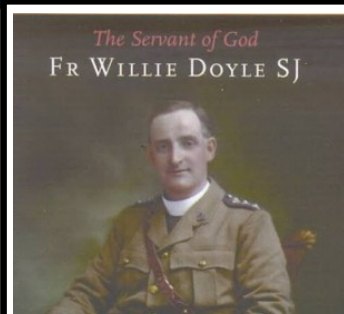
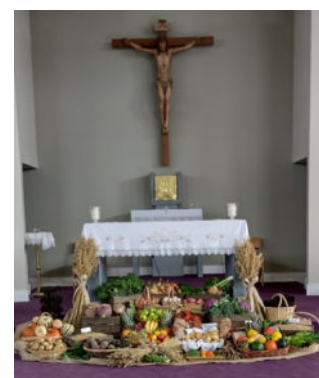
Offerings: €50. Thanks to all who are so generous.

Thank You

The Irish Catholic

Catholic Newspaper on sale at the entrance for **€3.80 per copy.**

Harvest Masses of Thanksgiving this weekend **10th and 11th of October** for all the blessings we receive from creation. We thank God for safety on our farms, and for all the blessings of food which the land gives to us. **We place before the altar the fruits of our labour and signs of our gratitude to God who is constantly blessing us. Saying thanks to God for all the blessings in our lives is an integral part of what it means to be a follower of Jesus.** To facilitate thanksgiving, a box has been placed before the altar in each church where people can place their prayers of thanksgiving which will be offered up in all Masses this weekend.



Closing of the Diocesan Inquiry into the Cause for the Beatification and Canonization of Fr William Doyle SJ will take place in the **Cathedral of Christ the King, Mullingar**, at **4.00pm on Sunday 18th October**. The celebration will begin with **Solemn Vespers**, presided over by **Bishop Deenihan** with the homily given by **Fr. Conor McDonough OP**. Evening Prayer will be sung by the Mullingar Cathedral Choir, Cathedral Choristers and the Meath Diocesan Choir, before the formal closing session of the Inquiry. **All are welcome.**



Pope Leo's prayer intention for October - For mental health ministry.

Let us pray that the mental health ministry be established throughout the Church, helping to overcome the stigma and discrimination of persons with mental illnesses.

See Pope's video and transcript/prayer on our parish website <https://www.kilbegganparish.ie>

The Cosy Café will meet this **Tuesday 13th October** in **Kilbeggan Parish Centre** from

11 a.m. - 1 p.m. There will be tea/coffee and cakes and time for a chat with friends.

Our guest this month is **Damien** from **The Club, Kilbeggan** with **Chair Pilates, and music by**

Mick Slevin and Damien Scally. Those who have dementia, their family and carers are all welcome.



POUR QUE
LE MONDE
AIT LA VIE



LEO XIV
FRANCE 2026
25-28 SEPTEMBRE

"If anyone thirst, let him come to me and drink" (Jn 7:37).

Brothers and sisters, in our thirst, we turn toward Christ, the source of living water: water that quenches our thirst and makes life flourish, the water of God's love "poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us" (Rom 5:5).

The desire for God dwells deep within our hearts, and we cry out with the psalmist: "My soul thirsts for God, for the living God" (Ps 2:2). This is the cry of a humble and passionate heart whose deepest, most existential thirst continues to grow. And it is Jesus Christ, through his Incarnation, who comes to meet every person in the midst of his or her own story, and reveals himself as the true source of living water capable of quenching our thirst. This thirst that dwells in every human heart is not so much a thirst for material things, but a thirst for meaning, for truth and fulfilment. Jesus responds to our profound desire for relationship, for communion with God, in whom the fullness of life forever resides.

Yes, brothers and sisters, Jesus Christ, the Good Shepherd, leads us, as a shepherd leads his sheep, to the source of happiness and peace. He knows each one of us by name. Nothing about us is hidden from him – neither our secrets, nor our intentions nor our weaknesses. He searches the depths of our hearts. He gave his life for us and continues to give it to us through the sacraments. He carries the weary and wounded sheep on his shoulders, and gently brings back those who have gone astray. Jesus reveals God's unconditional love for us. In his eyes, none of us is merely a number or an entry in a register, but a unique and irreplaceable person.

From the Homily of Pope Leo, while in France 26th Sept. 2026



Of all the forms of human love, that between a man and a woman holds a special place. It can strike the heart like an arrow – intensely and swiftly. Yet true love does not stop there. It is not merely a fleeting, briefly inflamed emotion. It is more. It is a deep commitment to the other, a decision, a journey and a covenant for life. "Love is authentic and can last forever only when it reflects the eternal splendour of God – God who is love (cf. 1 Jn 4:8). Solid and fruitful relationships are built together on mutual trust, on this 'forever' that is the beating heart of every vocation to family life and religious consecration" (Address during the meeting with young people in Lebanon). This love asks first: "How can I love as Christ loved?" (cf. Jn 15:12) and puts the question "What do I get out of it?" last.

Pope Leo, blessing newly married couples.

Parish Charity Shop: We have a wide selection of high quality clothing, household goods and Bric-a-brac. **Open Monday to Friday 10am to 5pm. Thanks to all who support the shop.**



ROSARY SUNDAY: Dominican Pilgrimage to Knock, Sunday 11th October.

Bus leaving from the Parochial House, Tullamore at 8.30am and passing through Kilbeggan en route. Leaving Knock at 5.30pm. Return fare €10. To book a seat, phone or text PJ 087 6386270 or Regina 086 8510238

Sincere thanks to everyone who supported the **Hospice Coffee Morning in Rahugh.** We raised a total of **€2,282.60** Your support is greatly appreciated.

Kingscourt Parish Bulletin

Sunday, October 11th, 2026

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The Emmaus Pastoral Area

October 10th/11th**Saturday 6p.m.:**

Rose Jordan, First Anniversary

Muff 7 p.m.: Mass**Corlea 9a.m.:**

Teresa Sheridan, Birthday Remembrance

10.30 a.m.:

Gerard Murtagh

Gene & Bridgid Murtagh

Eddie & Mary Kelly

Patsy & Dymphna O'Reilly

Simon Martin and Victoria McLeish

12 Noon:

Betty Kane, First Anniversary

October 17th/18th**Saturday 6p.m.:**

Paddy Finnegan, Anniversary

Jimmy & Mary Smith

Phyllis Garvey, Anniversary

Paul Clarke, Anniversary

John, Owen and Ellie Russell, Anniversary

Muff 7 p.m.: Mass**Corlea 9a.m.:** Mass**10.30 a.m.:**

Patsi Finnegan, First Anniversary

12 Noon:

Nuala Buckley, R.I.P. Remembrance

Tuesday 13th, 10a.m.: Mass**Wednesday 14th, 10a.m.:** Mass**Thursday 15th, 10a.m.:** Mass**Thursday 15th, 1 p.m.:** Wedding in Kingscourt**Friday 16th, 10a.m.:** Mass**Parish Office:****The Parish Office is open on****Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday from 10.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.**

All bookings and enquiries can be made during these times.

All notices to be included in the bulletin should be at The Parish Office
by **10.00 a.m. on Thursday.****Reborn through
Baptism and
The Holy Spirit:**Baptisms take place on the 2nd and 4th Saturday of the month at 4p.m. in Kingscourt Church. The next baptism preparation meeting is on Thursday 5th November 2026 at 8p.m. in The Parish Centre, with Team B.

Please note ALL BAPTISMS TAKE PLACE IN KINGSCOURT.

**One in the
Sacrament of
Marriage:**Congratulations to **Niall Burns and Niamh McMahon** on their recent marriage. Couples intending marriage in the Diocese of Meath must complete an ACCORD pre marriage workshop, www.accord.ie. The 2026 dates for the Navan ACCORD Centre are October 30th / 31st. The 2027 dates are January 8th/9th, January 29th/30th, April 11th & 18th, Sept. 26th & Oct. 3rd. Early booking is essential.**Supporting the
parish:**

Development Fund: €2020 Plate: €4025 Many thanks.

**Thanks for
supporting
Fr. Octavius:**

A very sincere word of thanks and appreciation for your very generous response to the Mass collection on last weekend in supporting the great work of Fr. Octavius in his outreach to the poor, the vulnerable and marginalised in a very poor parish and place in Liberia. All monies will go directly to the development of the parish in its mission, outreach and fit-out of the new facilities. The amount realised amounted to €4025. Thank you for your amazing generosity!

**October, the
month of the
Rosary:**Please join us each morning in this **Month of the Rosary** to pray the Rosary before morning Masses. All are welcome.

The Emmaus Pastoral Area:	Our Pastoral Area of Kingscourt, Lobinstown, Drumconrath / Meath Hill, Nobber, Kilbeg and Castletown Kilpatrick is now known as <i>The Emmaus Pastoral Area</i> . The Pastoral teams from these parishes will meet at The Parish Centre on Thursday next at 8p.m.
Sacramental Preparation:	We extend a very warm welcome to the sacramental pupils, their parents, guardians and families as they formally begin their preparation for the celebration of First Holy Communion, First Penance and Confirmation.
Harvest Mass:	Our annual <i>Harvest Mass of Thanksgiving</i> takes place on Sunday 25 th October at 12 noon in Kingscourt. We cordially invite all the members of our hardworking and dedicated farming families to join at this Special Mass of Thanksgiving as we all give thanks for God's gifts to each of us.
November Mass of Remembrance:	Our annual <i>Mass of Remembrance</i> for all who have celebrated a funeral Mass in our parish these past twelve months will take place on Saturday 31 st October at 6p.m.
Supporting Bereaved Parents:	On Sunday 1 st November we have a Special Mass at 12 noon for parents who have lost a child during pregnancy, through miscarriage, still birth, in early childhood or interred in unblessed places. All parents, families and friends are cordially invited to attend. If you wish to participate in this Mass, please contact The Parish Office.
Altar List of the Dead:	All our Masses during November, the month of the Holy Souls, and on each First Friday and First Saturday of the month throughout the year are offered for those whose names are inscribed on the new Altar List of the Dead. You are asked to complete your new Altar List of the Dead, available from your planned giving boxes or from our churches, and return them to The Parish Office by November 1 st .
Altar Serving Teams:	We are delighted to welcome new servers to our Altar Serving Teams.
The Kingscourt Stars:	We are honoured and delighted that Barry and The Kingscourt Stars will join us on next Saturday night at our Vigil Mass in Kingscourt at 6 p.m. for special prayers and a blessing before the county final. All are welcome to come along, get behind and truly support our team! Wear your Stars colours to Mass in support of Barry and the lads! 
Schools Enrolment:	The month of October is Enrolment Month in our four Catholic schools of Corlea, Carrickleck, Muff and St. Joseph's Kingscourt.
Junior Certs 2026:	Congrats to our Junior Cert students on their recent exam results. Well done!

Community Notices

- *World Youth Day 2027 in Korea with more information from www.dioceseofmeath.ie/youth
- *Congratulations to Kathleen McCabe, St. Mary's Road, on her recent roundy birthday! *Please support St. Mary's Brass and Reed Band Bingo on each Thursday in The Matt Talbot Hall. *Chloe's Country Special in memory of Chloe McGee in The Nuremore on November 6th in aid of charity. *Kingscourt Garden Club next meeting in The Parish Centre on Wednesday 14th at 8p.m. and new members are very welcome. *Athboy Blue Jean Country Queen Festival Table Quiz on Thursday 5th November 086 9658535
- *Next Meath Archeological and Historical Society lecture is on Sunday October 11th, in Nobber Heritage Centre at 3 p.m. *Family Addiction Support Network (FASN) are holding collections in local areas next weekend and your support would be greatly appreciated.



Paróiste na hArdeaglaise Chríost Rí, An Muileann gCearr

Cathedral of Christ the King, St Paul's,
Walshestown, Brotenstown & Gainstown.

Mullingar Pastoral Area

Castletown-Geoghegan | Taghmon | Ballynacargy | Milltown | Dysart | Mullingar

An tOchtú Domhnach is Fíchead Saor – 11ú Deireadh Fómhair 2026.

PRIESTS OF THE PARISH

Fr. Phil Gaffney, Adm.
Fr. Barry White, CC.
Fr. Marcin Pietras, CC.
Fr. Iulian Robert Gherghel, CC.
Fr. Francis Musoke, AP.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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W: www.mullingarparish.ie.

CATHEDRAL SHOP

Monday—Friday 9am–4pm

(closed 1pm–2pm)

Sat. 10am–1pm.

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

Cathedral 7.45am & 10am

Monday – Saturday.

St Paul's Monday – Friday

9.15am.

SUNDAY MASS TIMES

Cathedral: Vigil 6pm (Sat)

Cathedral 8.30am, 11am,

12.30pm.

St Paul's 10.30 & 12noon.

Walshestown 9am.

Brotenstown 10am.

Gainstown 11am.

CONFESSIONS

CATHEDRAL

Saturday 2pm—3pm.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Cathedral 8am–8pm Mon—Fri

St Paul's 4–5pm—Wed.

CHILD SAFEGUARDING REPRESENTATIVES

Linda Duncan & Fiona
Kiernan Contact Parish Office.

ACCORD COUNSELLING

Couple & Relationship Counselling In-Person and Online in Accord Mullingar Phone 044 93 48707 or email accordmullingar@gmail.com.

VOCATIONS: Contact Fr. Tony Gonoude, Vocation Director: 044-9373923.

Evening Prayer for Fr Willie Doyle – Sunday, 18 October.

The parish is warmly invited to join in **Evening Prayer (Vespers) in the Cathedral of Christ the King, Mullingar, on Sunday, 18 October 2026 at 4.00pm**, marking an important moment in the Cause for the Canonisation of Fr Willie Doyle SJ.

Fr Willie Doyle was an Irish Jesuit priest who served as a chaplain to the British Army during the First World War. He gave his life ministering to wounded and dying soldiers during the Battle of Passchendaele in 1917. His reputation for holiness has remained strong, and in 2022 Bishop Tom opened the Diocesan Tribunal for the Cause of his Canonisation, with the approval of the Holy See.

The diocesan investigation has now reached its conclusion. Following the celebration of Vespers, the Public Concluding Session of the Tribunal will take place in the Cathedral.

This is a significant occasion for the Diocese and for all who have a devotion to Fr Willie Doyle. It will be the first Diocesan Tribunal to conclude in Ireland for over forty years. Following the ceremony, the documentation gathered during the investigation will be sent to the Dicastery for the Causes of Saints in Rome.

The occasion is expected to attract visitors from Ireland, the United Kingdom and the United States, as well as representatives of the British and Irish Armies.

All are very welcome to join us for this special celebration of Evening Prayer and to pray for the continued progress of Fr Willie Doyle's Cause.



Protecting Our Cathedral for Future Generations. We sincerely thank all our parishioners for their patience, support and generous donations towards the ongoing work at the Cathedral. Major projects currently underway include a new heating system, essential safety works, an upgraded sound system, and cleaning and power washing of the Cathedral. These important works will help protect our beautiful Cathedral for future generations. **If you are in a position to do so, we warmly invite you to continue supporting this important work through your generosity.**

First Holy Communion Preparation – Mass of Enrolment.

Fáilte romhaibh go léir - We warmly welcome all boys and girls, together with their parents and families, to the **First Preparation Mass for First Holy Communion next May 2027**. This Mass of Enrolment is a special moment to begin the journey of faith, involving home, school, and parish working together. We ask all parishioners to keep the children in your support and prayers as they prepare to receive Jesus in the Eucharist.



The **Westmeath Senior Football Final** takes place this Sunday (11 October) between **St Loman's** and **The Downs**. County finals always bring excitement, tenacity and community pride and we pray for a fair and enthralling contest!

Prisoners' Sunday 2026.

On this Prisoners' Sunday, we are reminded that no one should be forgotten, abandoned or defined only by their past. On 26 December 1958, Pope St John XXIII visited the Regina Coeli prison in Rome. In a gesture of solidarity, he said to the prisoners: "You could not come to me, so I came to you". May the words of St John XXIII on this his memorial (11th October) — "I came to you" — inspire the People of God to draw near to those who are in prison.

Pope Leo XIV, speaking at the Jubilee of Prisoners last year, reminded us that "no human being is defined only by his or her actions" and that "justice is always a process of reparation and reconciliation." These words challenge us to see every prisoner first as a person — a person with dignity, wounds, hopes and the possibility of a new beginning.

Pope Leo also urged us: "we must never tire, be discouraged or give up". Even when prison is a difficult place and obstacles seem overwhelming, we are called to continue "with tenacity, courage and a spirit of collaboration". There can be beauty even in difficult places. As Pope Leo expressed it, when we preserve "mercy and forgiveness, beautiful flowers spring forth from the 'hard ground' of sin and suffering".

On this Prisoners' Sunday, we remember prisoners and their families especially children and young people impacted by imprisonment. We pray for prison officers and staff, chaplains, volunteers and all who work for rehabilitation and restoration. We remember, too, those carrying the wounds of the past and those struggling to believe that change is possible.

Divine Mercy Monthly Devotions. Sunday 3pm. St Paul's.

Mission Sunday Collection: Next Sunday, 18th October.

Youth 2000 Leinster Retreat. Our Lady's College, Drogheda. 16th-18th October. Ages 16-35. Register: youth2000.ie.

Sunday Hymn: Hail Redeemer King Divine.

Hail, Redeemer, King divine.
Priest and Lamb, the throne is thine;
King whose reign shall never cease,
Prince of everlasting peace!

*Angels, saints and nations sing
"Praise be Jesus Christ, our King;
Lord of life, earth, sky and sea;
King of love on Calvary".*

King, whose name creation thrills,
Rule our minds, our hearts, our wills;
Till in peace each nation rings,
With thy praises, King of Kings.

Altar List of the Dead

The month of November invites us to remember and pray for our beloved dead. If you would like to include names in the Altar List of the Dead, **please use your List of the Dead envelope from your parish box, or one of the envelopes available in the churches, and place it in the designated box along with your donation.** The names will be remembered in Masses throughout November and on every First Friday. *Suaimeas síoraí orthu.*

Our **Annual Bereavement Mass** will take place on **Friday, 13th November, at 7:30 pm in the Cathedral**, when we will gather as a community to pray for and remember all who have died in the past year. The names of all our parishioners whose funeral Masses were held in the parish will be called aloud.

Mass Intentions 10th—18th October

Cathedral 6pm Vigil: Rosaleen Flanagan, Springfield (M.M.) **Sunday 11th October** Cathedral 8.30am:

Paddy Gilgan, Grange Heights (1st Ann)

11am: Patricia Corcoran, Central Park (1st Ann)

12.30pm Joan McDonagh, Dalton Park (1st Ann)

St Paul's 10.30am: Paul Charles, Austin Friars Street

(M.M.) 12noon: Patrick Whaley, St Brigid's Tce

(M.M.) Walshestown 9am: Glennon family.

Gainstown 11am: Peter & Ellen McNulty.

Monday: 7.45am: Eddie Doherty (M.M.)

10am: Kathleen Van Der Loo.

Tuesday: 7.45am: Private Intention.

10am: John & Annie MacEvilly.

9.15am: Christopher O'Rourke.

Wednesday: 10am: James & Mary Moore & family.

9.15am: Priming Ancheta (1st Ann)

Thursday: 10am: Michael & Mary O'Riordan & Breda Egan.

Friday: 10am: Margaret Little.

9.15am: Mathew Nestor

Saturday: 10am: Anniversaries Occurring.

Cathedral Vigil 6pm: Anne Barry, Clarkemount Ave

(M.M.) Sunday 18th October

Walshestown 9am: Tom & Philomena Sullivan.

Gainstown 11am: Joe, Nellie & Aoife Marie

McNicholas.

Youth Group - COMING SOON! If you're looking for friends in faith, we're exploring a Catholic young adults group (ages 18–30) for our parish, to begin this month. Share your interest by scanning the QR code or email faithformationmp@gmail.com.



Ar Shlí na Fírinne (RIP)

Oliver (Ollie) Dooner, Cathedral View and Tullamore.

Liam (Billy) Clare, Ashfield and Rushe, Dublin.

Shane Dunne, Clongowney.

Ar dheis Dé go raibh a n-anamacha dílse.

ST MARY'S: Vigil 6pm
Sunday 8am, 11am, 1pm

ST OLIVER'S: Vigil 7pm
Sunday 10am, 12noon

Weekday Masses

St. Mary's 8am (Mon-Fri)

10am (Mon – Sat)

St. Oliver's 7:30pm (Mon -Fri)

Saturday Confessions

7-9pm (in St. Mary's)

& from 7:40pm (in St. Oliver's)



**Conclusion of Diocesan Tribunal for the Cause of Canonisation
of Fr. Willie Doyle, Mullingar Cathedral, 18th Oct, at 4:00pm**

St Mary's Parish Office
9am - 1pm & 2pm - 5pm
Monday – Friday

Tel 046 902 7518 Ext:111
email: office@navanparish.ie

Parish Shop
Mon-Sat 9:30am – 5:30pm
Sun 11:30am-2:30pm

Tel 046 902 7518 Ext 127

Duty: Fr Robert Budău
Funerals: Fr Noel Weir



The National Synodal Assembly takes place next Saturday 17th October in Gormanston.

Almost 300 delegates from across the island of Ireland will gather to make recommendations for the renewal of the Church in Ireland.

We accompany with our prayer Fr. Declan who is Chair of the National Synodal Team, and also two of our parishioners – Michelle Daly and Rosaleen Devery – who are delegates for the Diocese of Meath:

Lord Jesus,

You have called us together through Baptism and faith.

Make us a Church that proclaims your Gospel, accompanies all who seek you,

heals the wounded,

walks with people on their journey,

and empowers all the baptised to share in your mission.

Guide the National Synodal Assembly and all who participate in it.

May we listen to one another,

discern your will,

and courageously follow where your Spirit leads.

Amen.

See www.synod.ie and www.theway.ie

Parish collections: The new envelope boxes are being distributed at the moment. Regular contributions through the envelope collection and/or standing order allow the Parish to claim an income tax rebate on annual donations totalling €250 or more (i.e. €5 per week). If you would like to become a contributor, please take a registration sheet from the church or contact the Parish Office.

Supporting retired priests: a **second** collection will be taken up at all Masses this weekend for the support and care of the retired priests of the diocese of Meath.

Sacramental Preparation: Enrolment ceremonies for First Confession & First Communion candidates take place at Masses this weekend. We welcome all families to renew their commitment to a deepening of faith and participation of their children in the life of the parish. Enrolment ceremonies for Confirmation next weekend.

Síol YOUTH GROUP offers space and time for young people (12-18) who have received the Sacrament of Confirmation, to explore their faith, make friends, and have fun. Meetings have resumed on Thursday evenings. Contact the Parish Office for registration form.

World Youth Day 2027 Seoul, Korea: A group of young pilgrims from our diocese will travel to Seoul next summer, 27 July – 10 August, to gather with Pope Leo and half a million other young Catholics for this great festival of youth and faith. If you are 19-35 yrs and would like to join other young pilgrims, please see bio.site/meathyouth to express your interest and to find out more. Contact: Meathyouth@gmail.com



Corpus Christi Prayer Group Evening Prayer meeting every Sunday at 7pm in the Parish Room. All welcome to.

Meath Diocesan Choir offers the opportunity to deepen faith through music, contribute to prayer and worship of the church, develop musical skills and build friendships with others. Information night tomorrow **Mon 12 Oct** in **St. Anne's Chapel** at **7:30pm** for anyone interested in becoming a member.

We pray for the repose of the souls and for the comforting of the families and friends of

Desmond 'Des' Gore, Blackcastle Estate

Mary McGuinness née Gibney, Emmet Terrace

Recently Baptised

Zofia Swiet

Ciarán Paul Carew-Parle

Irwan Nikolai Mutia

Junior Legion of Mary for boys and girls ages 7 to 16.
Tel 086-3671171

The Parish Shop 9:30am - 5:30pm Mon -Sat; 11:30am-2:30pm Sun. Cards, wide range of gifts, wedding souvenirs. Donations of religious books & memorabilia welcome.

Meals-on-Wheels wish to thank **St. David's Church Sydden** for donation of vegetables from Harvest Festival.



Irish Synodal Pathway

The Church that empowers for Ministry and Co-responsibility: “The Irish Synodal Pathway has discerned a longing for a Church in which all the baptised are empowered to exercise co-responsibility for the life and mission of the Church according to their gifts, charism, and vocation. This is not to remove or undermine those responsibilities that are proper to the ordained, but rather to give access to those responsibilities that can be proper to all the baptised. ... Many and varied forms of lay ministry, both instituted and non-instituted, already make it possible for lay men and

women to put their charisms at the service of the life and mission of the Church. A Church that seeks to empower lay men and women for co-responsibility must respond with courage and creativity to open up to all the baptised as many of the forms of ministry as are needed for the mission so that lay men and women can exercise their responsibility “to permeate and transform earthly realities with the spirit of the Gospel” (Final Document §66).”

“Is not this what God asks of you?” Working Document for the Irish National Synodal Assembly, pages 14 (www.synod.ie)

Twenty-Eighth Week in Ordinary Time 11 - 17 Oct 2020

Saturday: St. Oliver's 7pm Allan Ridsdale, Silverlawn (First Ann)
Sunday: St. Oliver's 10am Rory Carpenter, Clusker Park (Month's Mind)
 St. Mary's 11am Mairead O'Brien, St. Ultan's Terrace (Month's Mind)
 St. Oliver's 12noon Josie Reilly, Blackcastle Estate (Month's Mind)
 St. Mary's 1pm Matthew Kennedy (M. Mind) & Catherine Kennedy, Woodlands (F. Ann)
Saturday St Mary's 10am anniversaries occurring Peter Murphy • Carmel Dunphy née Barley • Ivan Reilly • James Maher • Julia Robertson • Joan Flaherty • George & Kitty Byrne • Fr Martin Byrne • Charlie Byrne • John Joe O'Regan • Bridget Wolfe • Patricia & Kevin Thornton • Timmy Creavin • Donal Lenihan • Michael Geraghty • Jane Bashford • Bridget Burns • Paddy Clarke • Sean Coffey • James Boyle • Lydia Doyle • Valentina Valaitieue & all holy souls who have nobody to remember or to pray for them by name.

Kindly provide names for Saturday Anniversaries at least ten days in advance for inclusion in the parish bulletin

Saturday: St. Mary's 6pm Dairina Byrne, St Brigid's Villas (Month's Mind)
Sunday: St. Oliver's 12noon John Sherlock, Rathaldron (Month's Mind)
 St. Mary's 1pm Oliver Halpin, Aylesbury Lodge (Month's Mind)

Mass Requested Bridie & Johnny Govern • Meta Geraghty • Thomas & Teresa Gaffney • Helen Weldon & Sohn Chu

Thanks to parishioners for your recent generosity. Offertory: €5,830 Development Fund: €2,110

**** St Mary's Cemetery Summer: Monday - Saturday: 2pm - 9pm; Sunday: 9am - 9pm ****

COMMUNITY NOTICES

St. Mary's Community Centre Bingo returns on Monday 19th October at 8:00pm. Every second Monday thereafter. All welcome back!

Navan O'Mahony's: Bingo on Tues at 8:30pm.

World Day of Prayer Ireland celebrating 100 years, United in Prayer for Justice and Peace. Special retreat day in An Tobar, Ardbraccan led by Dr Gráinne Doherty, Sat next 17 Oct, 10am – 3pm. Cost €30 incl refreshments, light lunch.

Age Action: Getting Started Digital Skills in Navan Library. To teach an older person how to get online and use device. Call 0818 911 109 or email volunteering@ageaction.ie

Age Friendly Clinics: Navan Citizen Info, Canon Row, Tues next 6 Oct & Tues 20 Oct 2-4pm. Call 0818 076150.

Contemplation and Meditation Seminar for those in later life in An Tobar, Sat next 10 Oct. To register email reception@antobar.ie, phone 0469078973.

Affordable Counselling available at Dowdstown Counselling Services. Ph: 046 9031196 or email: dowdstowncounsellingservices1@gmail.com. Website: dowdstowncounsellingservices.com

Meath Befriending Service connects older people with trained, Garda-vetted volunteers who provide a friendly weekly visit, a chat, walk or just company. To avail of the service or to volunteer tel. 085-8622496 or email: eva.ofarrell@meathpartnership.ie

Navan and District Historical Society: Dr Siobhan Osgood will present a talk on 'Navan's Railway Architecture', Columbanus Hall, Canon Row, Thurs 22 Oct, 8pm. N&DHS members and Students free. Non members €5.

Meath Archaeological and Historical Society lecture this Sun 11 Oct entitled “Tara by Name, Tara by Nature? - Exploring the Archaeology of 'Other' Tara Places on the Island of Ireland”, George Eogan Cultural & Heritage Centre, Nobber (Eircode A82 WY10) at 3.00pm. Gala Luncheon on Fri 6 Nov at 12.30 Ardboyne Hotel in aid of Tabor House new Women's Residential Centre. Tel. 086-2564004

Navan Floral Art Club Demonstration in Ardboyne Hotel Wed next 14 Oct at the new time of 7.30pm. Demonstrators on the night are Naomi Mulligan & Yvette Broomfield.

“Some of Our Children” Solstice Arts Centre, Fri 16 Oct, 8pm. Info and tickets at www.solsticeartscentre.ie

Navan Cycling Initiative is offering, as part of Climate Week 2026, free Bike Repair Clinic at Kennedy Plaza, Sun 18 Oct. Info and registration at <https://navancycling.ie/>

Navan Red Cross Friendship Club for Seniors will hold its next social 18 Oct in Columbanus Hall, Canon Row.

Catholic Mothers Ireland Leinster Retreat Day Sat 7 Nov, 10am–6pm at Benburb Priory. A day of prayer, reflection, and spiritual renewal with guest speakers. Lunch and refreshments provided. Cost: €50. Booking www.catholicmothers.ie/retreats



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Pastoral Area includes Dunderry, Enfield, Kilmessan and Summerhill

4 - 10 October 2026

www.trimparish.com 046 94 312 51 spcctrim@gmail.com

Fr Paul Crosbie PP Fr John Kennedy CC

Trim Masses 7pm, 9am, 11am, 12.30pm **Boardsmill** 10am

Baptisms Saturday 3pm **Blessing expectant mothers** First Saturday of the month 7pm Mass

Anointing of the Sick First Saturday of the month after 10am Mass

Eucharistic Adoration Sunday 1.15pm - 8pm **Confessions** Saturday 12noon—1pm

Child Safeguarding Sunday



Today we would like to recognise the children and young people who take part in our parish activities and hope they will continue to be part of our parish life. These activities include the following:

- Altar servers
- Junior readers
- "Light and Life" Movement (teenagers)
- Children's Gospel Stories (starting 18 Oct)
- Children taking part in parish classes for First Holy Communion
- Children participating in First Holy Communion and Confirmation preparation Masses

Thanks to our parish volunteers and to the parents who support our young people. Your enthusiasm, care and welcome plays a huge part in ensuring that children and young people have a positive experience in our parish.

Thanks to our Parish Safeguarding Representatives – Cathy Shelley, Shaun McGale and Louise Cotter. We thank them for their oversight, support and encouragement.

Further information on child safeguarding policy and procedures in the Diocese is available at www.meathsafeguarding.ie. Copies of the latest child safeguarding newsletter are available in the parish church.

Music for 11am and 12.30pm



Please join in congregational singing. The hymnbooks are available beside Mass leaflets.

Opening hymn

No 53 (page 44) Be thou thy vision

Final hymn

No 126 (page 112) The bells of the Angelus

Prayers for First Communion and Confirmation children

Morning Prayer

Father in Heaven you love me,
You're with me night and day,
I want to love you always in all I do and say,
I'll try to please you Father,
Bless me through the day, Amen.

Night Prayer

God, our Father I come to say,
Thank you for your love today.
Thank you for my family,
And all the friends you give to me.
Guard me in the dark of night,
And in the morning send your light. Amen.

Children's Bible Stories at 11am Mass beginning Sunday 18 October for children 5 year - 8 years

Beginning on Sunday 18 October at 11am in the family room, the children aged 5 years - 8 years will be invited to join us during the Liturgy of the Word before returning to the Church at the offertory.

Saturday 7pm Clem Kelly
Sunday 9am Mass for people's intentions
Sunday 10am Joe Hannon
Sunday 11am James, Tilly Collins, sons and daughters
Sunday 12.30pm John Paul Cranley (First Anniv)
Monday 10am Dec'd of the Fedigan Family
Tuesday 10am Mary Garry & Dec'd Family
Wednesday 10am Margaret, Patrick O'Toole
Thursday 10am Dec'd of Plunkett & Canty Families
Friday 10am Carmel Goldstraw

Next Sunday 11am Mass

Bishop Deenihan will celebrate the Mass with representatives of the Knights of St Columbanus from across Ireland. We will reserve some seating towards the front of the church for invited guests. Thank you for your help.

Coeliacs and Holy Communion

We have the option for coeliacs to receive a low gluten host for Holy Communion. These consecrated hosts will be kept in a separate pix for reception from the priest at the altar rails.

Trim Pastoral Area

A meeting will take place tomorrow (Monday) evening with members of our neighbouring parishes (Dunderry, Enfield, Kilmessan and Summerhill). This meeting will look at how the parishes in this new "pastoral area group" can continue to work together.

Congratulations We send our warmest best wishes to Trim Family Resource Centre celebrating their 25th anniversary and we assure them of our support in continuing their valuable work in our community.

Trim Musical Society Musical Bingo (fundraising) on Friday 8pm in McCormacks. All are welcome.

Saturday 10am Nan, Jack Kelly
Saturday 7pm Veronica Donegan (MM)
 Sonny Kelly / Leonard Flynn / Joseph Keegan
Sunday 9am Mass for people's intentions
Sunday 10am Vincent, Rosemary, Charlie, Florence & Eugene Eivers
Sunday 11am Mass
Sunday 12.30pm Maureen Rafter

Parish envelopes

Supporting our parish

The new boxes of envelopes will be available for collection soon. We really appreciate your support by donating to the envelopes. If there are volunteers who generally deliver boxes, we would be very grateful for your help. Please come to the parish office during the month of October.

Vespers at Mullingar Cathedral

Sunday 18 October 4pm

Bishop Deenihan will close the Diocesan Investigation into the canonisation of Fr Willie Doyle, SJ. A bus to Mullingar will leave from the Church carpark at 2.30pm. If you wish to book, please phone the parish office at 046 94 31251.

The Returns Bin at the Meals on Wheels

kitchen We are still collecting cans and bottles. Please donate your cans and bottles. They can be left in the Meals on Wheels kitchen where we will store them and the refund goes to Meals on Wheels.



Saturday 7 November 7pm: Children for Confirmation
 (Scoil Naomh Padraig & Gaelscoil)

Sunday 8 November 10am: Children for First Communion
 and Confirmation in Boardsmill

Sunday 8 November 11am: Children for First Communion
 (Scoil Naomh Padraig, Gaelscoil & Parish Classes)