



PARISH OF MULLINGAR

9 January 2011

Feast of the Baptism of Our Lord

Priests of the Parish:

Padraig McMahan, Adm.
 Michael Kilmartin
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Parish Office Hours:

Monday-Friday: 9am-1pm & 2-5pm
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Sunday Vigil Mass:

Cathedral: 6pm

Sunday Masses:

Cathedral: 8.30am, 11am, 12.30pm
 St. Paul's: 10.30am, 12noon
 Walshestown: 9am
 Brotenstown: 10am
 Gainstown: 11am

Daily Mass:

Cathedral 7.45am & 10am
 St Paul's 9.15 am
 Bank Holiday 10 am (Cathedral)

Eucharistic Adoration:

Cathedral Daily 8 am - 8pm

Baptisms Sundays: 3pm

Confessions Saturday:

2.30pm - 3.30pm & after Vigil Mass
 Eve of First Friday after 10am Mass

First Fridays:

All Masses for List of the Dead
 7.45am, 10 am & 9.15 am

Bethany Bereavement Group

087-6309808.



Mullingar Parish A Prayer in Time of Need

*We call on You, Lord, in this time of need.
 Grant Your help to all who call upon You.
 Bless our country and our church.
 May our anxieties and worries find an answer in Your care.
 Give peace and prosperity to all
 and help our neighbour in need.
 May our sorrow for past failings lead us to work together
 for a better future for our families,
 our parish and our community
 May the Lord stay always by our side,
 a gentle shepherd, constant guide, teacher,
 master and faithful friend.
 Glory be to the Father...*

In response to requests from parishioners for prayer for our country and church each Friday in 2011 the above prayer will be recited at the 10am Mass. During the praying of the rosary and other parish celebrations during the year the prayer will also be used. We encourage as many parishioners as possible to use this prayer during the coming twelve months.



Haiti- Recovery Underway

Fr Paul will take part in a 10 day visit to Haiti and Honduras with Trocaire, beginning on Monday. On 12 January last year, an earthquake claimed the lives of 250,000 people in Haiti, leaving many more homeless. Mullingar parish helped the Diocese of Meath to raise over €300,000 in relief. Fr Paul will visit projects sponsored by Trocaire with help from parishes including Mullingar.

RIP Patrick McGlynn, Rathgowan; **Noreen Ward**, nee Cummins Bishopsgate St & Donegal; **Joan Willoughby**, Lismore, **Mickey Kelly**, Moate.

Baptism in our parish
 In 2010 we baptised 333 children in our parish. It is a delight to welcome them into the community of faith. Each ceremony is a special occasion and we appreciate the efforts made by parents and families.

How to book a baptism

If you wish to have your baby baptised, contact the parish office (044 9348338). Linda the parish secretary will give you a Baptism Request Form or you can download the form from our parish website www.mullingarparish.ie. Please fill in this form and return it to the office at least three weeks prior to the intended date of baptism.



What happens next

Sr. Philomena will then make contact with you. You will be asked to come along for a meeting and talk about the meaning of baptism and what it is you are asking of the Church. This meeting takes place on the second and fourth Thursday of the month. The members of our Baptism Team are Sr Philomena, Fiona, Bernie, Paul, Barry, Oliver, Rosemary & Catherine.

Baptisms every Sunday

Due to the number of baptisms in Mullingar it is not possible to accommodate the needs of individual families. In recent years we have phased out private baptisms in the parish. We have made the Sacrament available each Sunday at 3pm. Baptisms alternate between the Cathedral and St Paul's (the First, Third and Fifth Sunday of each month are in the Cathedral and the second and fourth Sundays are in St Paul's). We encourage all families to use these opportunities and thank you for your understanding.

Pope Benedict on Baptism...

On the day of baptism, parents make a promise on the child's behalf, to say 'yes' to life, 'yes' to faith as expressed in the Ten Commandments
 'yes' to a God - the first three commandments
 'yes' to the family - 4th commandment
 'yes' to life - 5th commandment
 'yes' to love - 6th commandment
 'yes' to social responsibility - 7th commandment
 'yes' to the truth - 8th commandment
 'yes' to others - 9th & 10th commandments
 Let us thank the Lord for this gift and pray for our children, so that they may truly have life, Amen.

New Year Baptisms

Nancy Gabbey, Antrim; Ella Pulford, England; Nicolas Callan, Austin Friars Street; Max & Jamie Lyons, Foxrock.

Noticeboard

Christian Unity Week 18th - 25th January
Cathedral Shop: St. Paul Sunday Missal contains all the readings and Mass text for the coming year. €7.95. Sacred Space Daily Spiritual Reflections for 2011 €110.95.

Mass Bookings 2012 Parishioners who wish to book these Masses can do so from Tuesday 15 February onwards.

Walshestown Monthly Adoration, Friday, 7.30 pm
Cathedral Adoration committee meeting, Tuesday 7.30pm, Social Services Centre.

Charismatic Prayer Group, Tuesday, Loreto, 8pm
Our Lady Queen of Peace Prayer Group, every Thursday 7pm, Cathedral.

EWTN Newsletter, with details of religious programmes on t.v. available in the shop.

Parish Offertory Fund

26/12/2010 €4,100 2/1/2011 €6,280

Parish Development Fund

26/12/2010 €2,714 2/1/2011 €1,723

Thanks to all who paid their Christmas dues and to those who recently made their annual contribution to the running of the parish.

Mass Intentions for the week ahead

Monday: (Heb 1:1-6. Ps 96. Mk 1:14-20.)
 7.45am: Eamonn & Mary Lynch.

10 am: Patrick & Mary Ann Casey
 9.15am: Elizabeth, Daniel, Michael & Elizabeth Kavanagh.

Tuesday (Heb 2:5-12. Ps 8. Mk 1:21-28.)
 7.45am: Chris Kennedy.

10 am: James, Meg & Mervyn Mahon
 9.15 am: Mullen family.

Wednesday (Heb 2:14-18. Ps 104. Mk 1:29-39.)
 7.45 am: Mary & Barney Savage.

10 am: Vincent Copolla.
 9.15am: Michael & Christina Keenaghan.

Thursday (Heb 3:7-14. Ps 94. Mk 1:40-45.)
 7.45am: Mary Lynch, Robinstown (1st Ann)

10am: James Moody, Green Rd.
 9.15 am: Brendan O'Reilly.

Friday (Heb 4:1-5, 11. Ps 77. Mk 2:1-12.)
 10 am: Ned Cullen. 9.15 am: Marius Caffrey.

Saturday (Heb 4:12-16. Ps 18. Mk 2:13-17)
 7.45am: James Quinn.

10 am: Anniversaries Occurring Mass.
 6pm: Bernie Reilly, O'Growney Drive (M.M.)

Sunday 16th January (Is 49:3, 5-6. Ps 39. 1 Cor 1:1-3. Jn 1:29-34.) 11 am: Treasa Hickey, Dominick St (M.M.)

St Paul's 12 noon: Philip Smith, Ardmore Rd (1st Ann)

Walshestown 9am: Patrick & Ann Sullivan. Brotenstown 10am: Paul Killian.

Gainstown 11 am: Tom & Alice Curran.

Sacred Heart 9am: John Cannon.