



Mullingar Parish

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

Priests of the Parish

Fr Padraig McMahon, Adm, VF
Fr Joseph Naikarakudy
Fr Paul Crosbie
Fr Robert McGivney

Parish Office Hours

Monday - Friday, 9am - 5pm (lunch 1-2pm)

Vigil Mass (Saturday)

Cathedral: 6pm

Sunday Mass Times

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

Daily Mass

Cathedral 7.45am & 10am Mon - Sat
St Paul's 9.15am Mon - Fri

Confessions in the Cathedral

Saturday 2.30 - 3.30pm

Eucharistic Adoration

8am-8pm in the Cathedral

Bereavement Support

087-6309808

Child Safeguarding Representatives

Linda Duncan & Maeve Corroon

Collection last weekend

Cathedral €4,022
St Paul's €1,179 Thank
Walshestown € 165 You!
Brotentown €171
Gainstown €179
Parish Envelopes: €2,125

Next Sunday - Blessing of Hands for Carers



Fr Joseph will bless the hands of all who work with and care for the sick during the Vigil and 11am Masses in the Cathedral next weekend. This blessing coincides with the World Day of Prayer for the Sick. We invite all health care workers as well as family members who care for loved ones who are ill or elderly.

It was Pope Saint John Paul who initiated a Day of Prayer throughout the world for people who are sick. He chose 11th February as the date because it was on this date in 1858 that the Blessed Virgin Mary first appeared to St Bernadette in Lourdes, France. Over the past 160 years, millions of pilgrims from all over the world have travelled to Our Lady's Shrine at Lourdes.

Since the earliest of the apparitions, miraculous healings have taken place in Lourdes and it has become associated as a place where many sick people find strength, peace and acceptance.

Pilgrimages to Lourdes - 2018

Fr Padraig will lead a pilgrimage from **22nd-27th May**. Booking forms and further information are available from the Parish Office.

Bishop Smith will lead the **Meath Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes 12 —17th September**.

Fr Robert assisting in Dunboyne Parish

Following the appointment of Monsignor Dermot Farrell, Parish Priest of Dunboyne, as Bishop of Ossory (Kilkenny), Bishop Smith asked Fr Robert to assist temporarily in Dunboyne parish. During this period, Fr Robert will be living at the Parochial House in Dunboyne while also continuing his post-graduate studies at St Patrick's College, Maynooth. Monsignor Farrell's episcopal ordination will take place on 11 March and it is likely that Bishop Smith will appoint a new Parish Priest of Dunboyne in due course.

Celebrating St Brigid's Day: Check out Mullingar Parish Facebook page for photos of Fr Joseph leading the children's pilgrimage and the adults devotion at St Brigid's Well last Thursday. Well done to all involved.



Envelope boxes for the coming year are now available from the Parish Office for distribution to the different areas and townlands. We need volunteers to help deliver the boxes in the following areas:

Offering Envelopes



Lakepoint, Deravarra, Greenpark, Beechgrove, Gainstown, Vilanstown, Tullaniskey, Beechlawns. We would appreciate the help of those who have previously assisted with this work. If you are willing to help, please contact the Parish Office. Thank you to all who support the parish on an ongoing basis.

Getting ready for Confirmation - 10 March

Joe O'Meara, retired principal of Colaiste Mhuire, will give a presentation to parents of Confirmation children from Curraghmore NS and St Colman's NS on Wednesday at 7.30pm in St Paul's Church.

Fr Padraig will have Confirmation classes with pupils from the Parish Programme on Sunday 11 and 18th February at 10.30am in St Paul's Church.

"It is necessary to reaffirm our solid opposition to any direct offence against life, especially when innocent and defenceless, and the unborn child in it's mother's womb is the quintessence of innocence. Let us remember the words of Vatican Council II: 'Therefore from the moment of its conception life must be guarded with the greatest care while abortion and infanticide are unspeakable crimes.'" *(Pope Francis on Abortion and the Right to Life)*

We welcome these children, recently baptised:



Joshua Miller, College Hill; Joseph Hickey, College Hill; Aoibhín Noone, Glenmore Wood; Robert Bohan, Boardstown; Kate Downes, Gleann Petit; Alex Moore, Lakepoint Park; Mabel McKeown, Rathcolman Lodge.

Pilgrimage to the Holy Land led by Fr. Dwayne Gavin, Fr. Gerry MacCormack and Sr. Consilio Rock from April 16th – 24th. Bookings with MAP Travel at 01 8783111.

Pilgrimage San Giovanni 1st October - 7 nights.

Following in the footsteps of St Pio to celebrate the 50th anniversary of his death. Contact Mary 087-6336513.

Please join in singing.....

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart,
Be all else but naught to me, save that thou art:
Be thou my best thought in the day and the night,
Both waking and sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom, be thou my true word,
Be thou ever with me, and I with thee, Lord:
Be thou my great Father, and I thy true son,
Be thou in me dwelling, and I with thee one.

A **Mass of Remembrance** will take place this Wednesday, at 2.30pm in St. Loman's Hospital Chapel, Mullingar. Fr Joseph will celebrate the Mass in memory of deceased patients and people buried in St. Loman's Hospital Cemetery from 1907 to 1970. All are welcome.

Mass intentions next week

Monday: 7.45am: Mark Mears.

10am: Jane Brennan. 9.15am: Paul Fadian.

Tuesday: 7.45am: Patrick & Mary Kate Ahearne & grandson Cathal.

10am: Paddy Rattigan. 9.15am: John Grimes.

Wednesday: 7.45am: James & Ellen (Lena) Savage. 10am: Patrick, Elizabeth, Dolores McLoughlin & Patrick Jnr. 9.15am: Kit Devlin.

Thursday: 10am: Elizabeth & John Joe Walsh.

Friday: 10am: John & Bridie Smith.

9.15am: Gerard, Jonathan & Marcella Kelly.

Saturday: 7.45am: Maisie Heffernan.

10am: Anniversaries Occurring Mass

6pm: John Barry, Ballinea (M.M.)

Next Sunday 8.30am: Mary Guage, Tara Court

(1st Ann) 11am: Philip Kiernan, Lynn Heights

(1st Ann) 12noon: Noel Walsh, Curraghmore

(M.M.) Walshestown 9am: Annie Woods.

Brotentown: Mattie & Lil Keenan.

Divine Mercy Conference, Saturday 18th February, Bus leaving Post Office at 8am, to book seat contact Frank 086-1912697.

Presentation Senior School, clothes drive, 5th—13th February, all donations welcome.

Rest in Peace

Peter Bracken, Green Road

Matt Morgan, Walshestown South

Marie Delamere, Rathgowan & Kent

Paddy Egerton, St Brigid's Terrace

Daniel Dowdall, Clonkill

Tom Cunnane, Knock & London