



Parish of Mullingar

Cathedral of Christ the King

St Paul's Church, Walshestown,
Brotentown & Gainstown
www.mullingarparish.ie

Priests of the Parish:

Fr. Padraig McMahon, Adm.
Fr. Michael Kilmartin
Fr. Paul Crosbie
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Parish Office Hours

Monday-Friday: 9am-1pm; 2-5pm
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Vigil Mass (Saturday)

Cathedral: 6pm

Sunday Masses:

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

Daily Masses

7.45am & 10am Cathedral
9.15am St Paul's

Confessions Cathedral

Saturday 2.30pm—3.30pm

Eucharistic Adoration 8am-8pm

Bereavement Support

087-6309808

Collections last weekend

Cathedral: € 3,517
St Paul's: € 1,221
Walshestown: € 254
Brotentown: € 229
Gainstown: € 209
Parish Envelopes: € 1,844
Thank You!

Celebrating the Mass

The following is an excerpt from the excellent homily of Mgr Hugh Connolly on Holy Thursday in the Cathedral:

'Do this in memory of me' said Jesus to his friends at the Last Supper. But it was not just the eating of the bread and the drinking from the cup which he had in mind when he said these words; it is also the commitment to service which goes with it. Every time Mass is offered, those same words are repeated; the same sacrifice is re-lived; the same bread is broken and shared and the same commitment is pledged.

And wherever Mass has been celebrated ever since, that has been its central meaning whether with all the pomp and ceremony in a majestic cathedral or whispered in hiding at a windswept mass rock; whether in front of a congregation of thousands or listened to by those who are house bound or incapacitated or confined to a hospital bed; whether at the celebration of matrimony where two people pledge their love for each other or at a funeral Mass where we pray for the eternal rest of a loved one. In all of these different scenarios we are still carrying out the command of Jesus who is right here in our midst. *'Do this in Memory of Me'*. And so for us the Holy Eucharist is therefore the great Christian prayer.

(The full text is available at www.mullingarparish.ie)

Prayer before the Blessed Sacrament



Eucharistic Adoration is a form of prayer before the Blessed Sacrament. Eucharistic Adoration takes place in the Cathedral from 8am until 8pm every day. New adorers are always welcome and today we are encouraging people to enrol for this prayer. We take this opportunity to express our appreciation to those who pray each day before the Blessed Sacrament and to say thanks to the volunteers who organise the Adoration rota and other events. During the Cathedral jubilee year, a period of Eucharistic Adoration takes place in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel immediately after the Saturday evening vigil Mass. We thank you for maintaining a respectful silence in the Cathedral during this prayer time.

New Irish Catechism for Adults

The purpose of the new catechism is to help people grow in the knowledge and love of faith. It was published last week and is available from www.veritas.ie; it will soon be stocked in the Cathedral shop.

Graduation Masses in Catholic primary schools will take place as follows this week: St Colman's NS (Monday), St Mary's NS (Tuesday), Presentation Senior and Junior (both Masses on Wednesday).

We welcome these children who were recently baptised: Keava, Klayton, Carayson & Aayla Gleeson, Ardleigh Crescent; Jasmine Dinnegan, Market Point; John Leahy, Lakepoint; Caroline Brady, Greenpark Meadows; Zacary Harte-Geraghty, Farran Ashe; Emily Casey, Ardmore Road.



Next weekend is the annual Peter's Pence appeal which supports the work of Pope Francis. We can use this appeal to express our appreciation of Pope Francis and to assist him in his ministry.

Cathedral House Youth Team - a word of thanks to Eoin, Mark and Simon who will be finishing their term shortly. They have been with us for the past 2 years, showing courtesy, efficiency and good humour. We wish them well.

Priests, vocations and farewell

Bishop Michael Smith has announced that he will ordain two new priests in the Cathedral at the end of the summer. **Rev. Declan Kelly** (Rochfortbridge) will be ordained on 21 September and **Rev. Ciaran Clarke** (Dysart) will be ordained on 28 September. Please continue to accompany them in your prayers and to encourage vocations to the priesthood and religious life.

Congratulations to this year's jubilarian priests, including **Fr Phonsie Mackin** (who served here 1977-1982) and **Fr Seamus Heaney** (chaplain at Community College 1966-1970). Thank you for your faithful and generous ministry.



We bid farewell with sadness and thanks to **Fr Belisario** as he prepares for his mission to Bangladesh. He has been with us since Christmas to learn English ... We hope the people of Bangladesh will understand his new Mullingar accent! We thank him for his enthusiasm and good work. You can keep in touch with him on Facebook or by email (details from the parish office). *Oramos para que la palabra de Dios te guíe don Belisario e inspire su ministerio.*

Did You Know....

Q. Can you name any of the saints featured behind the tabernacle in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel?

A. St Pascal Baylon, Cardinal Bellarmine, St Margaret Mary Alacoque, St Tarsiscius, St Thomas Aquinas and St Claire (all associated with the Eucharist).



Mass Intentions this week

Monday: 10am: Tommy & Kitty Clarke.
9.15am: Belinda & Jack Dillon.
Tuesday: 10am: Nora Ready.
Wedding Mass, St Paul's 2pm.
Wednesday 7.45am: Special Intention.
10am: Tommy & Margaret Boyle.
9.15am: Lelia Flynn.
Thursday 7.45am: Mary & Patrick Bennett & George Corrigan. 10am: Matthew, Elizabeth, Fred & Hugh Nolan. 9.15am: Moya Keane.
Friday: 10am: Michael Tyrrell.
9.15am: Kathleen & Joseph Maloney; Mary Ellen & Eugene O'Sullivan *Wedding Mass, Cathedral 2pm.*
Saturday: 7.45am: Paddy & May Higgins.
10am: Anniversaries Occurring Mass.
Wedding Mass, St Paul's 2pm. Wedding Mass, Gainstown 2pm.
Vigil: 6pm: Denis (Derry) Gray, Pettitswood (1st Ann)
Next Sunday 11am: James Gogerty, Lynn Court (M.M.) Walshestown: 9am: Benny Broughan. Gainstown 11am: John, Marcella, Martin, Billy & Rose Newman.

Loughcrew: Annual Mass in honour of St Oliver Plunkett takes place next Sunday at 3pm
Cathedral Museum will be open on Friday from 3pm until 4.30pm.

Meals on Wheels provides an excellent service to many people in our parish. For further information please call 9344566 (10am—1.30pm).

Mullingar Arts Centre, Wednesday, 7.30pm, concert in aid of Mullingar Resource Centre featuring Fr Ray Kelly.

Cemetery devotions at the Famine Graveyard on Wednesday at 7.30pm; also at St Kenny, Hopetown and Kilpatrick on Sunday 6 July following 10am Mass in Brotentown.

REST IN PEACE

Rose Darby, Grange Cottages
Peter Mooney, Reading & Enfield