



Mullingar Parish

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

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Parish Office Hours

Monday—Friday 9am—5pm
(closed 1-2pm)

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Vigil Mass (Saturday)

Cathedral: 6pm

Sunday Mass Times

Cathedral: 8.30am, 11am, 12.30pm

St. Paul's: 10.30am, 12noon

Walshestown: 9am

Brotenstown: 10am

Gainstown: 11am

Daily Mass

Cathedral 7.45am & 10am Mon - Sat

St Paul's Church: 9.15am Mon - Fri

Eucharistic Adoration

8am-8pm in the Cathedral daily

Confessions

Saturday 2.30pm-3.30pm—Cathedral

ACCORD Catholic Marriage Support
Service - 9348707

Bereavement Support

087-6309808

Child Safeguarding Representatives

Linda Duncan & Maeve Corroon

COLLECTIONS LAST WEEKEND

Cathedral: €3,854

St Paul's: €1,214

Walshestown: €147

Brotenstown: €133

Gainstown: €235

Envelopes: €1,465

Thank you

A Mass of Remembrance will be held on Wednesday, 5th February, 3pm in **St. Loman's Hospital Chapel, Mullingar**, in memory of deceased patients and people buried in St. Loman's Hospital Cemetery from 1907 to 1970. All are welcome.

1500 YEAR OF ST. FINNIAN

A Public talk by Dr Noel Kissane) entitled "SAINT BRIGID OF KILDARE", Wednesday 5th February, 8pm at St. Finnian's Parish Centre, Clonard. Everyone welcome.



ENVELOPE BOXES 2020

Thank you to all who financially support our parish through the weekly envelopes.

The boxes of offering envelopes for 2020 are now ready for collection from the Parish Office. We would greatly appreciate the assistance of parishioners in delivering the envelopes. If someone has free time, they might consider delivering the boxes in their immediate locality. Boxes can be collected from the Parish Office.

FR. JOSEPH'S FAREWELL MASS

In thanksgiving for his ministry among us in Mullingar, Fr. Joseph Naikarakudy will celebrate Mass on Saturday 15th February at 6pm, followed by refreshments in the Parish Community Centre immediately afterwards. Please join us as we say farewell to Fr. Joseph.

DAY OF PRAYER FOR CONSECRATED LIFE

The Religious and Consecrated members of the Diocese will join Bishop Deenihan and our parish for the blessing of Candles and sung Vespers in the Cathedral this Sunday February 2nd at 4pm. All are welcome to this celebration which marks the Day for Consecrated Life and the contribution of religious to our Diocese. The reflection will be given by Mother Marie OCSO, the Abbess of Glencairn Abbey.

FEAST OF ST. BLAISE—Blessing of Throats

The Blessing Throats, traditionally associated with St. Blaise takes place after the daily Masses on Monday 3rd February and in the cathedral from 7-8pm.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

All Adorers are invited to attend a meeting in Bethany at 7.30pm on Tuesday evening 4th February at which Bartle O Curraoin, Eucharistic Adoration Diocesan Secretary, will be in attendance to speak in advance of the Parish Renewal the following weekend. Your assistance is required to prepare a roster for the vigil and Sunday Masses. Light refreshments will be served.

FAITH CHECK

1. St. Ignatius of Antioch was the second Bishop of Antioch, but who was the first?
2. Which of the four Gospels is sometimes known as the Gospel of mercy?
3. Passing between Samaria and Galilee, Jesus entered a village and healed 10 lepers, but how many return to thank Him?
4. Jesus compares the Kingdom of God to a very small seed, What is this small seed called?
5. In what year did Our Lady appear in Knock, Co. Mayo.
6. What was the name of the Saint that Our Lady of Guadalupe appeared to?
7. Which city in Texas is called after the Most Holy Eucharist?
8. On which date do we celebrate the Solemnity of Mary, the Mother of God?
9. On which road did St. Paul (formerly known as Saul) see a vision of Jesus?
10. On the great day of Pentecost how many souls were baptised? (Acts 2:41)?

(Answers in next weeks newsletter)

SIGN OF PEACE



In the context of concerns surrounding the present flu season and particularly the recent outbreak of the coronavirus, parishioners have understandably, had concerns about the "sign of peace" in the liturgy. Common sense dictates that people would

exercise good hand hygiene practices at all times, but especially in a time of increased risk. Ministers of Holy Communion will wash their hands in the sacristy prior to Mass. In our Irish tradition, the standard liturgical sign of peace is the shaking of hands. In circumstances such as this where it seems inappropriate to shake hands, another gesture, such as simply turning to the other person and saying "Peace be with You" or a simply acknowledgment by the wave of a hand is more than acceptable and appropriate.

The sign of peace is an integral part of our preparation for Holy Communion. It is an acknowledgement of one another as brothers and sisters in Christ, and an expression of our commitment to the communion which we are about to share, with Christ and with one another.

The parish will continue to monitor the situation and if there is a serious risk, will act on it immediately.

Some useful information is available on <https://www2.hse.ie/wellbeing/how-to-wash-your-hands.html>

COMMUNICANTS WITH THE COELIAC CONDITION

In order to avoid cross contamination of the Precious Blood with gluten, the parish will now distribute low-gluten hosts to those with a Coeliac diagnosis. During Holy Communion, they should approach the main celebrant who distributes Holy Communion on the left side of the sanctuary and indicate to the priest they are Coeliac and the priest will offer the low-gluten host.

COMMUNION TO THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND

We would like to express our thanks to family members and ministers who bring Holy Communion to the sick on a regular basis. We respectfully ask parishioners not to present a pyx at the altar rails during the distribution of Holy Communion.

Those taking Holy Communion are asked to sign a register in the sacristy indicating those to whom they are taking Holy Communion. This ensures proper care of the Sacrament. It informs the priest of those who may be sick in the parish, may require a visit from the priest, or request the Sacrament of Confession. If bringing Holy Communion to someone on a regular basis there is no need to sign the register each time. Simply indicate so in the register on the first occasion and thereafter leave the pyx with the Sacristan before Mass. After Holy Communion, the priest will distribute hosts to the pyxes, and ministers can collect them immediately after Mass from the Blessed Sacrament Chapel. Those using a pyx to bring Holy Communion to the sick should ensure it is adequately purified afterwards. Holy Communion cannot be given to anyone in tissues, envelopes or handkerchiefs.

Knights of St Columbanus are holding a table quiz, Thursday 6th February at 8pm in Cons bar.

St. Joseph's Young Priests Society, Monday, 7.30pm, Bethany.

Pilgrimage to San Giovanni, 12th October, for details contact Mary Briody, 087-6336513.

HYMN FOR TODAY

Christ be beside me, Christ be before me,
Christ be behind me, King of my heart.
Christ be within me, Christ be below me,
Christ be above me, never to part.

Christ on my right hand, Christ on my left hand,
Christ all around me, shield in the strife,
Christ in my sleeping, Christ in my sitting,
Christ in my rising, light of my life.

Christ be in all hearts thinking about me,
Christ be on all tongues telling of me.
Christ be the vision in eyes that see me,
In ears that hear me, Christ ever be.

MASS INTENTIONS NEXT WEEK

Monday: 7.45am: Noleen McKenna.

10am: Barney & Marie Conlon.

9.15am: O'Gorman family.

Tuesday: 7.45am: Danielius Ciuzeles & Aridas Ailiauskas. 10am: George & Kate O'Connor.

9.15am: Jane Brennan.

Wednesday: 7.45am: Michael & Sarah Daly & deceased members of family. 10am: Paddy Rhattigan. 9.15am: Paul & Linus Fadian.

Thursday: 7.45am: Philip Kiernan.

10am: John Joe & Elizabeth Walsh.

9.15am: John Grimes.

First Friday: List of the Dead.

Saturday: 10am: Anniversaries Occurring Mass.

Vigil 6pm: Christine (M.M.) & Ann Dougan, Rathconrath.

Sunday 2nd February

8.30am: Tom Madden, West Yorkshire (M.M.)

11am: Moira Keogh (1st Ann)

St Paul's 10.30am: Liam Collins, Dalton Park (M.M.)

12noon: James (Eddie) Healy, Beechgrove (1st Ann)

Walshestown 9am: Ann O'Donnell

Brotenstown 10am: Mattie & Lil Keenan.

For those who have entered eternal rest.....

Pauline Fagan, Prospect;

Brian Corroon Jnr, Wooddown;

Ellen Creagh, Glenview Heights;

Austin Murray, Ginnell Terrace

Phyllis O' Hara, Gaybrook,

Gerard Baker, Ginnell Terrace;

Francis O' Hara-Mooney, formerly of Shandonagh & Nice;

Thomas Gaffney, formerly of Mullingar & Celbridge.

May they rest in peace.

SCHOOL OPEN DAY

St Brigid's School, Harbour Street, Mullingar will hold their annual Open Day, Thursday 6th February 2020 Between 10 am - 12.30.