



Mullingar Parish

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

Priests of the Parish
Fr Derek Darby Adm.
Fr Joe Campbell CC
Fr Kevin Heery CC

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: €3,723
St Paul's: €1,298
Walshestown: €161
Brotenstown: €182
Gainstown: €192
Envelopes: €2,020

Thank you

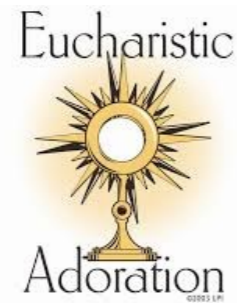
LAST WEEKS 'FAITH CHECK'

- Peter
- St. Luke's gospel
- One
- A Mustard Seed
- 1879
- St. Juan Diego
- Corpus Christi
- 1st January
- The Road to Damascus
- 3,000

“Christ is present in his word, since it is he himself who speaks when the holy Scriptures are read in the Church.....”

(Constitution on the Liturgy.)

If you are interested in becoming a Minister of the Word, please contact the Parish Office on, or before Friday 21st February. A date for training will be provided in next week's newsletter.



We welcome members of the Diocesan Eucharistic Adoration Apostolate who are assisting the parish in promoting Christ's presence among us in the Blessed Sacrament. We invite parishioners to give consideration to committing to one hour of adoration per week in our parish. To volunteer as an adorer, please complete the cards provided at Masses. The Blessed Sacrament is exposed every day in the cathedral Adoration Chapel located to the left of the sanctuary from 8am to 8pm. Parishioners are free to drop in at any time throughout the day for personal prayer.

REASONS FOR EUCHARISTIC ADORATION:

- It helps people grow in personal holiness.
- People who spend time in weekly adoration are powerful witnesses in their community to the real Presence of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament.
- Adoration flows from the Mass itself. *“it intensifies all that takes place in the Mass.” Pope Benedict XVI.*
- It is a wonderful generous response to the invitation of Jesus, *“Could you not watch one hour with Me?”*
- *“Of all devotions, that of adoring Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament is the greatest after the Sacraments themselves and the one dearest to God” St Alphonsus Liguori.*
- *“Realise that you may gain more in a quarter of an hour of prayer before the Blessed Sacrament than in all other practices of the day.” St. Alphonsus Liguori*

COMMUNICANTS WITH THE COELIAC CONDITION

For those with the Coeliac condition the parish distributes low-gluten hosts 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.

MINISTERS OF THE WORD

We are currently recruiting new Ministers of the Word for reading at weekend Masses in the cathedral. The role of the reader is to proclaim the Word of God in the readings from sacred scripture thereby opening up to those who hear it the mystery of redemption and salvation, and offering them spiritual nourishment. Pope Francis said, “When the Sacred Scriptures are read in the Church, God himself speaks to his people.”

Ministers of the Word are rostered for a Mass of choice and they read for the consecutive Sundays in a given Month.

PARISH RENEWAL

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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.

RCIA—RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

This weekend we welcome candidates from our parish preparing for reception into the Church at Easter. Gary Noonan and Lucien Mutrescu celebrate the ‘Rite of Acceptance into the Order of Catechumens’ as they journey closer to full membership of the Church. We welcome their Sponsors and members of their families. On the First Sunday of Lent, candidates from across the Diocese will join Bishop Tom to celebrate the ‘Rite of Election’ in the cathedral. We thank their Catechists who have responsibility for their preparation and instruction. Please support them in your prayers over the coming weeks.

ST. ELISABETH'S CONVENT, BELARUS—Thank You!

Sister Lera recently wrote to the parish expressing her sincere thanks and appreciation to the parishioners of Mullingar for their generous support during their visit to the parish. Thanks to parishioners generosity they are able to support their outreach services and care of orphanage children, vulnerable adults with special needs, the homeless and those in need of shelter, clothing and food. They remember our parish in prayer every day.

FR. JOSEPH'S FAREWELL MASS

In thanksgiving for his ministry among us in Mullingar, Fr. Joseph Naikarakudy will celebrate Mass next 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.

CONFIRMATION 2020

11am: St. Colmcilles; St. Colman's; St. Kenny's; Gaelscoil na Mhuilinn; Parish Sacramental Programme; St. Brigid's.
3pm: St. Mary's; Presentation Snr; Curraghmore; Gaelscoil an Choillín.

VOCATIONS INFORMATION DAY

The Diocese will hold a vocations information day on Palm Sunday (5th April) in St. Mary's Church, Navan. If you have been considering the priesthood this is an opportunity for you to find out more about what priesthood entails, about seminary studies; and a chance to explore God's call to priesthood in a deeper way. The event begins at 1pm with the Mass from Palm Sunday in the Parish Church. For more information please contact Fr Shane Crombie: frshane@gmail.com

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

Retired Nurses Association, meeting, Monday 10th, Greville Arms Hotel, 8.30pm.

Pioneer Meeting Friday 14th February, Bethany, 7.30pm.

Westmeath Archaeological & Historical Society, Lecture, The Medieval Parishes of Westmeath, Wednesday 12th February, Greville Arms Hotel, 8pm.

Divine Mercy Conference: A bus will leave from the Cathedral, at 8:30 am Saturday 22nd February, returning at 8.30pm. Please give your name and money to Phil at Cathedral shop. Cost €24.

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: Maisie Heffernan.
10am: Patrick, Elizabeth, Patrick & Dolores McLoughlin. 9.15am: Joseph, Patrick & Frances Gahan.
Tuesday: 7.45am: Watt & Mary McNamee.
10am: Bridie & Tom Smyth.
9.15am: Mark Mears.
Wednesday: 7.45am: Frank & Bridget McKeown. 10am: Marie Farrell.
9.15am: Gerard, John & Marcella Kelly.
Thursday: 7.45am: Tommy, Bridget & Rose Nugent. 10am: Teresa Hayes.
9.15am: Peter Scally Snr & Kathleen, Laurence & James.
Friday: 7.45am: Matt Fagan. 10am: Joe & Francie Reilly. 9.15am: Breda & Eamonn Condron.
Saturday: 10am: Anniversaries Occurring Mass. Vigil 6pm: Elizabeth Brady, Tullaghan (M.M.)
Sunday 16th February
11am: John (1st Ann) & Mary Hynes, Millmount.
St Paul's 10.30am: Bernard Daly, Rathconnell (M.M.)
12noon: Joe Ward, Clongowney (1st Ann)
Walshestown 9am: Annie Woods.
Brotenstown 10am: William & Bridget Boyce.
Gainstown 11am: Ita & Michael Murtagh.

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



Kathleen Leech, New Ballinderry;
John Flanagan, Springfield;
Ann Skey, Grange Crescent;
Jack Whitelaw, late of Auburn Rd
Michael Power, Knockdrin.

May they rest in peace.

FLEADH VOLUNTEERS

Fleadh Cheoil na hÉireann are looking for volunteers. It is estimated that 1,200 volunteers will be needed to help with the biggest event ever to come to Mullingar and anyone from age 15 or over can volunteer. There is a role to suit everyone. For more information or to sign up to volunteer: www.fleadhcheoil.ie