



Parish of Mullingar

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

Fr. Padraig McMahon, Adm.
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Parish Office Hours

Monday—Friday 9am-5pm
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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 Times

7.45am & 10am Cathedral
9.15am: St Paul's (Mon-Fri)

Eucharistic Adoration 8am-8pm

Bereavement Support

087-6309808

Confessions

Saturday 2.30pm—3.30pm

Collections Last weekend

Cathedral: € 3,443

St Paul's: €1,505

Walshestown: €177

Brotenstown: €258

Gainstown: €183

Parish Envelopes: €1,319

Next Sunday is Peter's Pence Collection.

Thank
You!

Columban (543-615 AD)



Masses this weekend in our parish celebrate Columban's life and legacy. A lovely prayer service was held in Multyfarnham Friary on Thursday evening last. 2015 is the 1,400th anniversary of the death of St Columban. Columban founded monasteries throughout Ireland and on mainland Europe. He is the fourth saint of Ireland.

Some interesting facts about Columban

- ◇ In the north of Ireland Columban is called Columbanus.
- ◇ Columban share's his birthplace with St Finian of Clonard.
- ◇ Columban is often confused with Colmcille who lived at the same time. Both had names derived from the word 'dove'.
- ◇ Columban is the first Irishman to be the subject of a biography. A monk called Jonas wrote the story of his life.
- ◇ 13 sermons, his rule of life and several letters and short poems of this saint exist.
- ◇ Columban is responsible for Easter being fixed as the first Sunday after the first full moon of the Spring Equinox.
- ◇ Columban died suddenly at age 72 in a mountain cave where he often went to pray and find solitude.
- ◇ As Columban was a great adventurer he was declared Patron Saint of Motorcyclists.

6th Century Prayer of Columban

Lord, kindle our lamps, Saviour most dear to us, That we may always shine in your presence And always receive light from you, the Light perpetual, So that our own personal darkness may be overcome, And the world's darkness driven from us. We ask this prayer through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Pope's New Encyclical 'Laudate Si'

Pope Francis issued an encyclical letter on the environment on Thursday. He calls for swift and decisive action to save the planet. The letter asks people to 'hear the cry of the earth and of the poor'. It encourages people to look at how they are living and appeals to us to stop wasting resources. Parts of the encyclical will be published in this newsletter in the coming weeks and the letter will be available in the Cathedral Shop in the next few days.



Walk the Way of the Mullingar Monks

Thanks to all those who organised the 22km pilgrim walk yesterday, to the hard working committee and the stewards who helped to ensure all went off smoothly. Thanks to all those who did the catering and provided hospitality in the houses we stopped at. A big thank you to those who did the walk. We hope you will always remember doing the long walk on the longest weekend of the year and that your feet get back to normal soon!

Thanks to the retailers who put out shells to greet the pilgrim walkers and thanks to those who handed in shells to the parish office. We hope that many more people in Mullingar are now aware of the scallop shells found in 1996 on Austin Friars St. We look forward to enhancing our camino garden in the Cathedral grounds where the monks are buried in the coming months.

Saints Scholars & Shells

You are invited to visit the St Joseph side chapel in the Cathedral to look at the work children in our schools have done on monks and monasteries. Their projects are a lovely celebration of the golden age of Irish Christianity. Do take a look...



Parish Notices

Historical Tour of the Cathedral, Tuesday next at 3pm. Monastic Tour of Mullingar, Tuesday 7pm starting at the Market House. **Youth Alpha**, any young people interested in learning more about their faith, contact the Parish office, training evening in September. **Lough Derg** pilgrimage 16th—18th July local pilgrims contact 9374818 for details. **Loughcrew**: Annual Mass of St Oliver Plunkett takes place in Loughcrew on Sunday 5th July at 3 pm. **Divine Mercy Devotions**, today, St Mary's 3pm. **Secular Franciscan Order Multyfarnham**, Pilgrimage to Knock, Sunday 28th June, contact 087-9017427. **La Verna Centre**, Franciscan House, Ballinderry, opening of their garden on Tuesday 5pm. **Pilgrimage to San Giovanni & Bobbio** (site of Columban's monastery and grave). 17th October 7 nights. Contact Mary Briody 087-6336513.

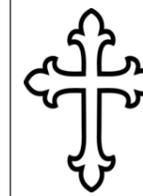
First Confession and First Holy Communion 2016

If your child attends a non-catholic school and you would like him/her to receive the Sacraments in 2016 you must enrol in the Parish Sacramental Classes between 1st July — 1st September 2015. Registration forms can be downloaded from the parish website in the coming days.



...If you want to know God, learn about creation.

Columban sermon VIII



Remembering the Deceased Cemetery Devotions

Walshestown, Today, 3pm

Those attending are asked to please follow the directions of the stewards and use car-parks provided on the way rather than depend on the cemetery car park.

THIS WEEKS MASS INTENTIONS

Monday: 7.45am: Kathleen & Joseph Feely. 10am: Christopher McKenna. 9.15am: Jimmy & Lily Ledwith. **Tuesday:** 7.45am: Peter & Sean McKeown & family. 10am: Crown & Kane families. 9.15am: Patrick & Mary Montgomery & son Peter & daughter Margaret. **Wednesday:** 7.45am: Margaret Little, Lynn (1st Ann). 10am: Nora Ready. **Thursday:** 10am: Matthew, Elizabeth, Hugh & Fred Nolan. 9.15am: Mary Benentt & Patrick & George Corrigan. **Friday:** 9.15am: Kathleen & Joseph Maloney & Mary Ellen & Eugene O'Sullivan. **Saturday** 10am: Anniversaries Occurring Mass. *Wedding Mass Cathedral 2pm* Vigil: John Fallon, Grange Village & Lynn Road (M.M.) Sunday: 11am: Josephine (1st Ann) & Raymond Macken, Beechlawns & Dominick Sreet. St Paul's 12noon: Ceclia Cave, Chestnut Drive (M.M.) Walshestown 9am: Benny Broughan. Brotenstown 10am: Sean & Liz Whelan & Paddy & Dolly Smyth. Gainstown 11am: John Wheeler.

We pray for those who died over the last few days

Patricia Boyle-Mullins, Oaklawns
Michael Rooney, Ardilaun Heights & Slanemore
Grace Feeny, late of Millmount Ave
Kathleen Murtagh, Hillside Drive & Collinstown
Winnifred Joyce, Lakeland Drive,
David Finnerty, Galway
Sam McBride, Belfast and we remember the **six young Irish people** who died in Berkley, California on Tuesday.



Keep the vision of the end, of the beauty and joy and peace of the Father's presence, and travel with persistence and hope. St Columban Sermon VIII

Cathedral Choristers

The Choristers finish up today for the summer. We thank the boys and their director Dervilla for their participation at Sunday Masses. We greatly appreciate their parents support. Thank you.

