



Parish of Mullingar

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

Priests of the Parish

Fr. Padraig McMahon, Adm.
Fr. Michael Kilmartin
Fr. Paul Crosbie
Fr. Joseph Naikarakudy

Parish Office Hours

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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
No 9.15am Monday-Thursday

Eucharistic Adoration 8am-8pm

Bereavement Support
087-6309808

Confessions

Saturday 2.30pm—3.30pm

Collections Last weekend

Cathedral: €3,852 Thank
St Paul's: €1,116 You!
Walshstown: €151
Brotenstown: €177
Gainstown: €584
Parish Envelopes: €1,380

First Holy Communion - Céad Caoimheach



First Holy Communion finishes in our parish today with children in the two Irish schools in Mullingar receiving the sacrament. Mass at 11am this morning in the Cathedral is as Gaeilge and leaflets with the Mass responses are distributed at the doors.

Congratulations to all the children from St Colmcille's and St Kenny's National Schools who received the sacrament last Sunday.

It is always encouraging to see children and young families attending Sunday Mass. We can have all the information in our heads about how God loves us and what this means but nothing replaces experiencing God's love and being part of the community of faith.

Pentecost Sunday



Today is a day when we celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit upon Mary and the apostles in the upper room in Jerusalem. We welcome to Mass today all those children in our parish who are eligible to receive the sacrament of the Holy Spirit (Confirmation) next year. At Mass today we remember that each of us is a temple of the Spirit.

Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in us the fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit and we shall be created and You shall renew the face of the earth.

The Marriage Referendum

Our parish is glad to have participated in the public debate on the marriage referendum. We accept the decision of the people. We remain committed to presenting the message of faith in public discussion and to supporting the important place of marriage and family life. We will continue to assist the good work of Accord in our parish, helping couples to prepare for the Sacrament of Marriage and counselling couples who are experiencing difficulties in their relationships. We believe this valuable work by Accord deserves recognition and support.

Annual Retreat



The priests of our parish are going on their annual diocesan retreat for the first four days of this week. Fr. Frank Monks, Superior of the Camillian's in Killucan, will look after the parish. Please keep Frs Padraig, Michael, Paul and Joseph in your prayers at this time. Please note that due to the retreat the next daily Mass in St Paul's is on Friday morning.

Very Special Guests - Céad Mile Fáilte

We are delighted to welcome Cardinal Thomas Collins, Archbishop of Toronto, to Mullingar this weekend. Cardinal Collins will conduct the annual retreat for the clergy of the Diocese of Meath this week. The Cardinal was ordained a priest and bishop in the Cathedral of Christ the King, Hamilton (Ontario).

Bishop Raymond Sumlut Gam is also visiting Mullingar this weekend. Bishop Raymond comes from Burma (Myanmar) and his diocese was served for many years by Irish Columban missionaries. His Cathedral is dedicated to St Patrick. The confirmation children in St Colmcille's NS, Gainstown is twinned with a school which teaches Burmese migrant children. Last week Bishop Raymond attended a "Caritas International" meeting with Pope Francis in Rome.

Graduation



During the past few days the priests of the parish have been celebrating Graduation Masses in the four secondary schools in our parish. As young people conclude their time in Loreto, St Finian's, CBS and Mullingar Community College we wish them all the best with their hopes and ambitions for the future and keep them in our prayers.

Oscar Romero (1917-1980) A Voice for the Voiceless

Pope Francis created 5 new saints last Sunday in Rome. Oscar Romero is one week away from being declared Blessed. The Irish Catholic this week highlights his life. "As the sun adds splendour to the dawn, so the Church receives added lustre with each new saint."
St Columban, Sermon IX



Next Sunday is the Feast of the Blessed Trinity. Sunday 7th June is the Feast of Corpus Christi. The annual procession in the Cathedral grounds is currently being organised for after the Vigil Mass.

Columban 1400 - 22km Parish Walk

Mullingar Parish is taking part in the National Celebration of St Columban. In the coming weeks we will publish his life story in the newsletter. An Information Board on parish events has been placed in the porch of the Cathedral. We hope to organise a prayer service in Multyfarnham Friary, organise a display on Irish monasticism and a Mass on Sunday June 21 will celebrate Columban's Life and Legacy.

Mullingar parish working with our neighbours Taghmon and Collinstown is organising a 22km pilgrim walk on Saturday June 20 to highlight the monastic heritage of our area. 'Walk the Way of the Monks' aims to highlight the significant discovery of shells on Austin Friars Street in 1996. More information will be available in the coming weeks. If you enjoy walking this event could be for you. The walk is a fundraiser for phase 2 enhancement of the monks garden in the Cathedral grounds. Donations for the project are welcome through the parish office.



MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

No 9.15am—Monday-Thursday

Monday: 7.45am: Alison Bateman & deceased members of family. 10am: Michael & Mary O'Riordan.
Tuesday: 7.45am: Naughton & O'Connor families. 10am: Nancy Savage. **Wednesday:** 7.45am: Kevin Murray & Paul Barry. 10am: Helen & Davy Tobin & daughter Pauline Cassidy. **Thursday:** 10am: Laurence O'Malley & Mary Keane. *Wedding Mass Cathedral 2pm.* **Friday:** 7.45am: Agnes Hendrix nee McKeown. 10am: Finch family. *Wedding Mass Cathedral 2pm.* **Saturday** 10am: Anniversaries Occurring Mass. Vigil: Tess Brennan, Millmount (M.M.) Sunday: 11am: James McCormick, Mount Street (M.M.) Brotenstown 10am: William Creamer, Glascorn (1st Ann) & deceased members of family. Gainstown 11am: Michael & Elizabeth Farrell.

RIP: Aridas Diliauskas, Collee Hill & Lithuania

Coffee Morning in aid of Nepal, Bethany, Friday after 10am Mass. **Walshestown Cemetery Committee**, clean up, next Saturday 10am, cemetery Sunday 21st June. **Mini Marathon** in aid of North Westmeath Hospice, 1st June, BH Monday 12 noon, Dunnes carpark. Charity cycle 1st June 10am from Shandonagh GAA centre. **Mullingar Lions Club**, launch 'Myself' booklet on promoting positive mental health, Tues, 8.30pm, Greville Arms **The Knights of Columbanus**, conference in Maynooth, 13th June, tickets from Centra.