



PARISH OF MULLINGAR

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

Priests of the Parish

Fr. Padraig McMahon, Adm.
Fr. Joseph Naikarakudy
Fr. Paul Crosbie
Fr Luke Ohiemi

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, Mon-Fri, St Paul's

Eucharistic Adoration 8am-8pm

Bereavement Support

087-6309808

Confessions

Saturday 2.30pm—3.30pm

Collection last weekend

Cathedral: €3,822
St Paul's: €1,226
Walshestown: €255
Brotenstown: €195
Gainstown: €236
Parish Envelopes €1,502

Thank
You!

Advent begins today.

The word Advent means 'coming' or arrival'.



In the coming weeks, the candles on the Advent wreath will mark our progress towards the birthday of our Saviour. The candles remind us that Christ is the light of the world and we seek always welcome him into our lives.

The Jubilee Year of Mercy

Over the coming weeks, we will publish an excerpt from the Letter of Pope Francis, marking the Jubilee Year of Mercy, which begins on 8 December.

"I have chosen the date of 8 December because of its rich meaning in the recent history of the Church. In fact, I will open the Holy Door on the fiftieth anniversary of the closing of the Second Vatican Council. The Church feels a great need to keep this event alive. With the Council, the Church entered a new phase of her history. The Council strongly perceived a need to talk about God to men and women of their time in a more accessible way. The walls which for too long had made the Church a kind of fortress were torn down and the time had come to proclaim the Gospel in a new way. We can remember the words of Saint John XXIII when, opening the Council: "Now the Church wishes to use the medicine of mercy rather than taking up arms of severity... The Church wants to show herself a loving mother to all; patient, kind, moved by compassion and goodness toward her separated children".

Pilgrims of Mercy

Pilgrimage to **Lourdes** on 24 - 29 April 2016
with Fr Padraig McMahon.
Pilgrimage to the **Holy Land** on 9 - 16 August
2016 with Fr Padraig McMahon
Jubilee Pilgrimage to **Rome** on 19 - 27 August
2016 with Bishop Michael Smith
Pilgrimage to **Lourdes** on 12 - 17 September
2016 with Bishop Michael Smith



Thank You

We thank **Eileen Hope** and **Noreen Murtagh** who have looked after the rota for Ministers of Holy Communion for the past 25 years. We are indebted to Eileen and Noreen for the tremendous good work they have done. Fr Luke's talk to the Ministers of Holy Communion is available at www.mullingarparish.ie.



We also thank **Mary Cahill** and **Margaret Tully** for their work with the flower group in the Cathedral. New volunteers to assist with flower arranging in the Cathedral are most welcome further details available from the parish office.

Fr Padraig will celebrate Mass followed by a meeting of Cathedral and St Paul's **Stewards and Collectors**, in Bethany, Tuesday 1st December at 7.30pm.

Finance Committee meeting in Cathedral House, Wednesday 2 December at 7.30pm.

Confirmation Class for children & parents on the Parish Programme in St Paul's continue today and next Sunday during and after the 10.30am Mass.

We welcome these children who were recently baptised:
Oisín McAteer, Lakepoint; Sarah Jane & Noel Stempel, Lakepoint; Rosie O'Brien, Pettitswood Manor; Rebecca Golden, Glenmore Wood; Maiya Canning, Glenn Petit.

Cathedral Car Park

Each year car park spaces are available for an annual tariff of €500. This price is inclusive of vat and ensures you have a designated and secure parking place 6 days a week in a central location in the town. This cost works out at €1.60 per day. If you are interested in a space contact the Parish Office.

Advent thoughts



God has no phone,
but I talk to him.

He has no facebook,
but he is still my friend.

He does not have twitter,
but I still follow him.

Parish Dates

Confessions, Coláiste Mhuire,
Wednesday 2nd December

Confessions, Loreto College,
Wednesday 9th December

Cathedral Carol Service,
Sunday 20th December

Penitential Service,
Wednesday 23rd December

ADVENT HYMN

Thanks be to God
whose love has gathered us this day.
Thanks be to God
who helps and guides us on our way.
Thanks be to God
who gives us voice that we may thank him.
Deo gratias, Deo gratias!
Thanks be to God most high!

THIS WEEK'S MASS INTENTIONS

Monday: 10am: Jimmy Treanor.
9.15am: Joan, Sean & Tony McEntee & Caoimhe Bray
Tuesday: 7.45am: Dalton & Daly families.
10am: Peggy Devine.
Wednesday: 7.45am: Dalton family.
10am: Cahill family.
Thursday: 7.45am: Dec'd members of Reynolds family. 10am: Rosemary Creevy.
9.15am: Ben Lambden.
Friday: 7.45am, 10am & 9.15am: List of the Dead.
Saturday: 7.45am: Julia Benentt.
10am: Anniversaries Occurring.
Vigil 6pm: Paddy Lynagh, Tara Court (1st Ann)
Sunday 11am: John Battle, Ardmore Road (1st Ann)
10.30am: James Corcoran, Tullaghan (1st Ann)
12 noon: Brendan Devanney, Rathconnell (1st Ann)
Walshestown 9am: Thomas Cassidy, Walshestown (M.M.) Gainstown: Michael McSharry.

Cathedral Shop, selection of advent wreaths, calendars, cards and cribs in stock.

Youth 2000 invites all young adults 16-35yrs to a Catholic weekend retreat 18th—20th December, Newbridge College, for details www.youth2000.ie

Loreto College presents Godspell the musical, 2-4th December at 8pm.

ICA meeting, Monday, 8pm, Aras an Mhuilinn.

Mullingar Lions Club, Table Quiz, Mullingar Park Hotel, Wednesday, 8pm.

Hugs for Hope coffee morning, Tuesday, 10am - 12pm. Raising funds Good To Talk & T.E.A.M, Bell Lane Coffee, Unit 6&7 The Enterprise, Technology & Innovation Centre, Clonmore, Mullingar.

RIP Mary Angela McDonnell, Fairgreen
Margaret Hickey nee Crowley, Irishtown
Patrick Corrigan, The Beehives
Maisie Corcoran, Bloomfield
Eamonn Drew, Shandonagh
Pauline O'Donnell nee Casey, Strattenstown
Martin Dunne, Robinstown & Clonaslee