



# Mullingar Parish

Cathedral of Christ the King, St Paul's,  
Walshestown, Brotenstown & Gainstown  
[www.mullingarparish.ie](http://www.mullingarparish.ie)

## Priests of the Parish

Fr Derek Darby Adm.  
Fr Joe Campbell CC  
Fr Kevin Heery CC

## 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

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: €3,509

St Paul's: €1,120

Walshestown: €182

Brotenstown: €224

Gainstown: €182

Envelopes: €1,450

*Thank you*

## 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 our usual volunteers in delivering the envelopes or if someone has some free time, they might consider delivering the boxes in their immediate locality. Boxes can be collected from the Parish Office from Monday.

## Safeguarding



Children

## SAFEGUARDING SUNDAY

Safeguarding Sunday takes place in our parish this weekend. It serves as a reminder to each one of us of our role in the safeguarding of children and young people in the life and mission of the church. Together we create a culture of care where children and young people are valued and encouraged to participate in our parish and church.

This weekend is also an opportunity to thank the many parents and volunteers who support our ministry and work with children and who help us create a safe and caring environment in which children can grow in faith

We are indebted to our Parish Safeguarding Reps who oversee and apply best practice of safeguarding in every aspect of parish life.

## Safeguarding Prayer

Dear God,

we thank you for the blessing of each child in our community.

May we hold them always in constant care.

May all our actions and decision be for their protection

enabling them to grow in faith and in relationship with Jesus Christ.

Strengthen and guide all who are in positions of trust and authority.

May they hold as sacred the task entrusted to them.

Guide all agencies who work towards safeguarding children.

Hold in your constant care our parish of Mullingar.

May it be a place of safety for all.

May those involved in the safeguarding of children

invest themselves in the detail of their work and always keep before them

this ministry of care.

*(Adapted from Bonnybrook Parish)*

## WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY

The 2020 theme for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity has been selected as: "They Showed Us Unusual Kindness" (cf. Acts 28:2). Annually, leaders of faith communities throughout the world gather together in prayer and worship for the annual celebration of Week of Prayer for Christian Unity.

The **Annual Ecumenical Service** takes place in **All Saints' Church, Mullingar, Sunday 19th January at 7pm.** All welcome.

## EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

The parish is undertaking a renewal of Eucharistic Adoration in our parish. Members of the Diocesan Eucharistic Adoration Team will visit our parish and speak at all Masses the weekend of 8th/9th February. We invite parishioners to give consideration to committing to one hour of adoration per week in our parish. To volunteer as an adorer, or to assist on the weekend, please contact the Parish Office or a members of the Adoration Committee whose contact details are available in the Adoration Chapel.

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.

## MASS OF THANKSGIVING FOR ADORERS

Adorers are invited to join the parish community for Mass in the cathedral on Saturday, 1st February at 6pm. All welcome.

## BAPTISM COURSE

The Baptism information meeting for parents preparing their children for the celebration of the Sacrament will be relocating to the Parish Community Centre effective from Wednesday 22nd January. The meetings take place on the second and fourth Wednesdays of the month at 8pm. Baptisms take place in the Cathedral on the first, second and third Sunday of every month and on the fourth Sunday in St. Paul's church.

## FR. JOSEPH'S FAREWELL MASS

We recently received the disappointing news that Fr. Joseph is being recalled by his Camillian Community to India in February. In thanksgiving for his ministry among us in Mullingar, Fr. Joseph will celebrate Mass on Saturday 15th February at 6pm, followed by refreshments in the Parish Community Centre immediately afterwards. Please join us as we give thanks to Fr. Joseph for his priestly ministry, commitment and dedication.

## PIONEER CHRISTMAS ART COMPETITION

Congratulations to all who participated in the Mullingar Pioneer Association Christmas Art Competition and particularly the following winners:

St. Kenny's NS	Fionn Maguire
Gaelscoil and Mhuillin	Rosy Ni Gradaig
Curraghmore NS	Cian Furlong
CBS National School	Vyte Puzaityte
Presentation NS	Eimear Doonan, Evan Mille Reid
	Enrikas, Nadia,
St. Colman's NS	Maja Kustura & Maggie McDonagh
Gainstown NS	Emma Manning

## DIOCESAN 'CESS' COLLECTION

The offertory collection this weekend will assist in meeting our parish's annual contribution towards the Diocesan Cess. This levy on every parish in the diocese supports the running of our Diocesan Office, it's pastoral services and the various agencies of the Irish Bishops' Conference: the National Safeguarding Board, Catholic Education and Formation, Pastoral care of Emigrants & Immigrants, Accord - Family and Marriage, Healthcare, Prison Chaplaincy, Communications, Marriage Tribunals, Justice and Peace, Permanent Diaconate, Liturgy, Pastoral Renewal and Adult Faith Development. Thank you in advance for your generosity and support. **Mullingar's Parish Contribution for 2020 - €28,982**

## MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

Thank you to all who attended the recent training workshops for Ministers of Holy Communion. We are delighted to welcome the new ministers and hope their participation in the Eucharistic celebration will be enriched all the more through their ministry at the altar. Ministers who were unable to attend the meeting should pick up an information sheet from the sacristy/parish office which details changes in the distribution of Holy Communion. New rotas will be available in the sacristy shortly.

**Commissioning of new and existing ministers will take place next month.**

## 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.

***The chalice will no longer be left unattended in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel.***

This change, along with other changes will be detailed in the newsletter next week and will come into effect on the 1st February.

## HYMNS FOR TODAY

**Holy Spirit, Lord of love,  
wisdom coming from above,**  
Gifts of blessing to bestow  
on your waiting Church below.  
Once again in love draw near  
to your people gathered here,  
Since our great baptismal day,  
You have led us on our way.



You have been our constant guide,  
ever watching by our side,  
May we now, till life shall end,  
choose and know you as our friend.  
Give us life to live for you;  
give us love, forever new,  
Come then, Holy Spirit, come;  
make each heart your happy home.

## MASS INTENTIONS NEXT WEEK

**Monday:** 10am: Kathleen, Albert, John & Edel Crichton & Peter Macken. 9.15am: Eileen Ryan.

**Tuesday:** 10am: Marie Dunne.

9.15am: Camillus, Derek & Harriette Walsh.

**Wednesday:** 7.45am: Valeriana Casta, Glenn Gallegos & Daniel & Elizabeth Cogan.

10am: Devine family. 9.15am: Oliver Cahill.

**Thursday:** 7.45am: Eithne McCarthy & deceased members of Conway family.

10am: Kathleen (Cassie) Quinn.

**Friday:** 7.45am: Kay & Martin Bartley.

10am: Jim Coyle & deceased members of Sinnott family. 9.15am: Carmel Moore.

**Saturday:** 10am: Anniversaries Occurring Mass.

Vigil 6pm: Marie Cox, Central Park (M.M.)

**Sunday 26th January:** 8.30am: Kay Tomkins, Green Road (M.M.) Cathedral 11am: John Connolly, Newbrook Grove (1st Ann) St Paul's 10.30am: Mary (M.M.) & Andy Moran, Glenview Heights. 12noon: Moya Tyrrell, Ginnell Tce (1st Ann) Walshestown 9am: Des Fry. Gainstown 11am: Rob Cornally.

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

**Liam Collins**, Dalton Park;  
**Joan Delaney**, Clonmore Heights;  
**Ann Finneran**, Rathcolman  
**Patrick (Paddy) Casey**, late of Lynn road and Newtowncashel, Longford;  
**Michelle Carey-Greene**, formerly Walshestown South & Monilea;  
**Sr. Gertrude Shorthall**, late of Presentation Convent Mullingar & Galway;  
**Mark Rose**, Petitswood Manor;  
**Tony D'arcy**, Newbrook Grove;  
**Catherine (Dodo) Kelly**, Kilrush.

Classical Evening in aid of **T.E.A.M.** tonight Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> January, St. Pauls Church at 7pm. Tickets €20 – available from Cathedral Shop or T.E.A.M. Charity Shop Mount Street.

**Divine Mercy Devotions**, today, 3pm, St Mary's