



NEWSLETTER *SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER*
A PARISH OF THE MULLINGAR DEANERY



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MASS INTENTIONS:

ST. JOSEPH'S, RATHWIRE.

Divine Mercy Sunday 11.30am. Una Gilsean (MM); Johnny, Frances & deceased Monaghan Family
Sunday 11.30am. Lena, Andrew & William Corroon; Angela Whelehan.

ST. BRIGID'S, RAHARNEY.

Easter Saturday 6pm. Betty & Kevin Dufficy
Divine Mercy Sunday 10am. Jack & Philomena Anderson; Liam, Nell & deceased Geoghegan Family.
Tuesday 9am.
Saturday 6pm. Missa pro populo
Sunday 10am. Peter Farrelly; Barney & Elizabeth Murtagh; Paddy & Ber Murtagh.

10:30am Mass Wednesday – Friday with the Community of St. Camillus

Confessions: Fridays after Mass and Saturdays after the Vigil Mass



PARISH DEVELOPMENT FUND (weekly envelopes): €634.00

Sincere thanks for the generous contribution to the Easter Offerings. This contribution assists with the up-keep and needs throughout the year, including the monthly salary, of the priests who serve in the parish.



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION in St. Joseph's Tue. 1pm-9pm. & St. Brigid's Wed. 6pm-10pm:
Special Diocesan intention of prayer for vocations to the priesthood and religious life.

TO ASSIST NEXT WEEK

ST. BRIGID'S Ministers of Holy Communion: 6pm. Declan Weir, Noel & Marie Greville 10am. Peter Fagan, Edward Fox & Martina Mockler.

Minister of the Word: 6pm. Rebecca Smyth. 10am. Liz Naughton.

ST. JOSEPH'S Ministers of Holy Communion: 11.30am. Anne Maher & Maura McAulliffe. **Ministers of the Word:** 11:30am Patricia Doyle.

CHOOSE LIFE - ISSUE NO. 10

"If the Eighth Amendment is repealed it will have an impact, not only on the general public, but those of us working in the health sector whose duty is always to save lives."

Eilish Butler, 27, is a nurse from Innishannon, Co. Cork

What happens if a pregnant woman's life is at risk?

If a seriously ill pregnant woman needs life-saving medical treatment which may, as a secondary effect, put the life of her baby at risk, such treatments are always ethically permissible provided every effort has been made to save the life of both mother and baby. Abortion is the *direct* and *intentional* ending of the life of an unborn baby. The Catholic Church upholds that necessary medical intervention to save the life of a pregnant woman, which results in the unintended death of her unborn baby, is never considered an abortion.

Choose Life 2018 Is a newsletter designed by the Catholic Communications Office. Its purpose is to encourage discussion in families on the value of every human life. Find us online at www.chooselife2018.ie or contact us at info@catholicbishops.ie

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY – SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

To commemorate this Feast and the popular devotion to the image of Divine Mercy through the praying of the Chaplet of Divine Mercy, our parish will host many visitors who will come for the 3pm Devotions today. Following the 11:30am Mass there will be exposition of the Blessed Sacrament with confessions available from 2:30pm when the rosary will begin. After the 3 O'clock prayer there will be individual veneration of the Image and then benediction.



THE GIFT OF THE SACRAMENTS We welcome the First Holy Communion children 2018 who this weekend receive the Holy Water of Easter as a reminder of their baptism, as they continue their preparations with their families for the celebration of their receiving the precious gift of the Body of Christ for the first time. The Seven Sacraments are reminders of the Risen Christ with us always, until the end of time as he promised those who first responded to his call to '*come, follow me*'.



THE ICON OF THE HOLY FAMILY As part of our parish on-going preparations for the World Meeting of Families, two Icons of the Holy Family are available from one Sunday to the next, over the months until the visit of Pope Francis in August, for families to take for a week and perhaps invite their extended families or neighbours round to their home for a celebration of the rosary and refreshments. A pack is provided to guide the family if they are wondering what to do! Fr. Mark will gladly attend the house gathering if you would like him to. Please sign in at the church sacristies to book your week to host the Icon of the Holy Family or contact the Parish Office.

REGISTRATION of parishioners and their families who wish to participate in the programme of events for the World Meeting of Families will take place after Masses on the weekend of 21st/22nd April. You will have to register even if you wish only to attend the Papal Mass, so as to guarantee tickets (free) and for security and logistical issues etc. If you want to go ahead registration for all WMOF2018 events is open via www.worldmeeting2018.ie. Individual pilgrims and families can now register for the main three-day WMOF2018 Congress from August 22nd – 24th; for the Festival of Families on Saturday 25th August; and for the Closing Mass on Sunday, 26th August. There are currently more than 8,000 people registered with considerable interest from overseas. Don't miss out on these once in a generation events. REGISTER NOW!

Keep up to date with the preparations by logging on to www.worldmeeting2018.ie

PARISH FAMILY DAY SUNDAY 1ST JULY 2018

As part of our preparations for the World Meeting of Families the Parish Pastoral Council is organising a Parish Family Day for 1st July 2018. It would be great to have the help of anyone interested in assisting the planning of this big event. Please do get involved and meet with us in St. Joseph's church at 2pm on Saturday 21st April.



If you have not already returned your Trócaire boxes please do so by next weekend, leaving them in the large baskets provided at the altar. Please do not leave your box unattended in the churches during the week! If you wish you can put your collection into an envelope marked 'Trócaire'. Thank you for your generosity to those most in need of our help.

MEATH DIOCESAN EUCHARIST ADORATION

40 hours Eucharist Adoration in St. Paul's Church, Mullingar, for the protection of all Human Life & Retention of the 8th Amendment. Please consider doing an hour of Adoration from 6pm Friday 13th April through Saturday 14th and finishing on Sunday 15th with Mass at 10.30am.

THE REGINA COELI

Ÿ. Queen of Heaven, rejoice, alleluia:
R. For he whom you were worthy to bear, alleluia.
Ÿ. Has risen as he said, alleluia.
R. Pray for us to God, alleluia.
Ÿ. Let us pray:
O God, who through the resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ gave rejoicing to the world, grant we pray, that through his Mother, the Virgin Mary, we may obtain the joys of everlasting life. Through Christ our Lord. R. Amen.
The Regina Coeli is recited in place of the Angelus during the Easter season, from Easter Sunday until Pentecost.

COMMUNITY NOTES

Killucan/Rathwire Tidy Towns is taking part in An Taisce's National Spring Clean next Saturday 14th April. Could you give an hour of your time from 11 to 12? All volunteers are welcome. Equipment will be provided but please bring gloves. Meet at the parking in front of St. Etchen's Church at 11am.

PLEASE JOIN IN SINGING

ENTRANCE HYMN
Alleluia, Alleluia Give thanks to the risen Lord Alleluia, alleluia, give praise to His name

RECESSIONAL HYMN
Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son; endless is the victory, thou o'er death hast won; angels in bright raiment rolled the stone away, kept the folded grave clothes where thy body lay.
Refrain:
Thine be the glory, risen conquering Son, Endless is the vict'ry, thou o'er death hast won.

Lo! Jesus meets us, risen from the tomb; Lovingly he greets us, scatters fear and gloom; let the Church with gladness, hymns of triumph sing; for her Lord now liveth, death hath lost its sting. *Refrain*