

# TERMONFECHIN PARISH

Church of the Immaculate Conception & Church of the Assumption

A Parish in the St Colmcille Pastoral Area

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PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MISSION STATEMENT

*To enable parishioners to come together to discover, share, and celebrate the gifts of all, for the good of all, and so grow in faith for the glory of God.*

**MASS TIMES & CHURCHES** (IC = Church of the Immaculate Conception; A = Church of the Assumption)

Saturday 12 October @ 7:00 IC ~ Michael McConnell • Mary Elizabeth & Nicholas Duff
Sunday 13 October @ 9:30am A ~ Nana Connor • Mary Clarke
Sunday 13 October @ 11:00am IC ~ Patrick Mooney

Monday 14 October @ 9.30am IC ~
Tuesday 15 October @ 9.30am IC ~ John & Rose Murphy & Sinead Reilly
Wednesday 16 October @ 9.30am A ~
Friday 18 October @ 9.30am IC ~



Saturday 19 October @ 7:00 IC ~
Sunday 20 October @ 9:30am A ~
Sunday 20 October @ 11:00am IC ~ Philip McCabe (1st Anniversary) • Bernadette Downey

## RECENTLY DECEASED - REST IN PEACE

Elizabeth (Betty) Kelly, The Paddocks • Nicholas McLeer, Castle Coo Hill • Fintan Matthews, Dunleer • Thomas Joseph Sheridan, Chicago & formerly Big Street • Noel Moore, Ganderstown

## IF YOU ARE COELIAC

If you are Coeliac you are invited to go to the Celebrant to receive Holy Communion at any of our Masses.



## LOOP SYSTEM IN IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Remember if you use a BTE hearing aid then you can improve your hearing experience with the 'T' position on your hearing aid.



## EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Prayer before the Blessed Sacrament continues each Monday between 7pm and 8pm in the church of the Immaculate Conception. In Scripture the beautiful verse from the Book of Psalms comes to mind:

*Be still and know that I am God* (Psalm 45:10).

## JOIN US FOR THE ROSARY ON THE THURSDAYS OF OCTOBER

You are warmly welcome to join others at the different Grottos in the Parish for the praying of the Rosary during October. Thanks to Margaret Finegan from our Parish Pastoral Council and others who lead the prayers and hymns each night. The dates and venues are: Baltray - Thursday 17 October @ 7.30pm; Church of Immaculate Conception Thursday 24 @ 7.30pm; Scoil Mhuire gan Smál - Thursday 31 October @ 7.30pm

## THE EXTRAORDINARY MONTH OF MISSION PRAYER

Heavenly Father, when your only begotten Son Jesus Christ rose from the dead, He commissioned His followers to 'go and make disciples of all nations' and you remind us that through our Baptism we are made sharers in the mission of the Church.



Empower us by the gifts of the Holy Spirit to be courageous and zealous in bearing witness to the Gospel, so that the mission entrusted to the Church, which is still very far from completion, may find new and efficacious expressions that bring life and light to the world.

Help us make it possible for all peoples to experience the saving love and mercy of Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, One God, forever and ever. Amen

## BAPTISMAL TEAMS

On Sunday next (20 October) at the 11am Mass Fr Paul will commission new Baptism Teams for the parish. They will begin their ministry in Advent this year. Baptism teams operate in pairs and assist in the preparation of families for the ceremony and during the ceremony. The introduction of the Baptism Teams brings with it some changes to our current procedures. Baptism currently take place on the 2nd Sunday of the month in the church of the Immaculate Conception. What is new is the introduction of a preparation session in the church on the Wednesday prior to the ceremony. This session is for parents and godparents but other family members are welcome to attend. The focus of this session is the nature and meaning of the sacrament, the role of the parents and godparents and faith formation. Each session will last about 30 minutes. Families will receive a gift of the baptismal candle which can also be used for First Holy Communion and Confirmation. Fr. Paul will lead the preparation sessions and will be assisted by two members of the team. On the day of baptism the team will welcome the families and assist at the ceremony.



This is a great new initiative in the parish and will hopefully lead to a greater sense of the great gift of the sacrament of Baptism in the life of our parish community. Please pray for all the new members of the baptism teams and for the families of the newly baptised.

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION TO ALL PARISH VOLUNTEERS & CO-WORKERS

The Parish Pastoral Council are organising a gathering of all Ministries and volunteers attached to the Church on Wednesday 23 October at 7.30pm in Termonfeckin NS. The purpose of the gathering is to listen to the concerns of others and identify priorities for our faith community. It will be a forum to make observations based on your role or ministry about where things are in the parish and how we, as a parish, respond. A diocesan facilitator will lead the discussions on the night. It is hoped that all volunteers and co-workers could attend.

## MISSION SUNDAY - 20 OCTOBER

Next weekend 19/20 October we will celebrate Mission. A collection will be taken up at all Mass in aid of Missions (The purple envelope in the box of envelopes is for this collection). The proceeds of the collection from Mission Sunday support young fledgling Churches worldwide including many Irish-founded missionary societies overseas. This includes building new faith communities, church buildings and parish centres, as well as helping to provide assistance for priests and sisters, lay catechists, and assisting in the effort to alleviate poverty.

## MONASTERY OF ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA FUNDING APPEAL

The Dominican Contemplative nuns, founded in Drogheda in 1722, by Sr. Catherine Plunkett, a close relative of St. Oliver Plunkett, thank you most sincerely for your great help towards building this monastery in 1997, following a fire in our convent on the Chord Road. Sadly, this fire claimed the life of one of our sisters. To our utter shock we recently learned, that the monastery roof, due to its deteriorated condition, would have to be replaced. We depend on your support to enable us to continue our life of worshipping God and interceding for the salvation of all people. If you would like to support this project, we would be very grateful. Donations can be made by credit card (through our website), postal order, cheque, or electronically : Payee/Account Name & Address: Monastery of St. Catherine of Siena, The Twenties, Drogheda, A92 KR84. Account No: 21707021. National Sort Code: 90-33-22. IBAN: IE24BOFI90332221707021 BIC: BOFIE2D. Bank Name and Address: Bank of Ireland, 14 St. Laurence St. Drogheda or see [www.dominicannuns.ie](http://www.dominicannuns.ie)

## INTERESTED IN SPONSORING OUR WEEKLY BULLETIN?

We are inviting donations of €40 per week or €150 for 4 weeks to help defray parish costs, with the optional benefit of accreditation for your business or self each week. Please talk to Fr Paul or Ann in the parish office if you are interested in this venture.

## TERMONFECKIN MACRA

Are holding a Bake sale fundraiser after 9 30am Mass in Sandpit Hall today (Sunday 13 October). All support greatly appreciated.



## INTERNET BROADCASTING

Mass and other services will be broadcast each day over the internet. The operator of the system is Fr. Paul Byrne PP VF, Parochial House, Termonfeckin. Tel 041-9822121, to whom queries should be referred.

## NEXT SUNDAY'S SCRIPTURE:

*Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Mission Sunday*

Exodus 17: 8-13 ▪ Psalm 120 ▪  
2 Timothy 3: 14-4:2 ▪ Luke 18: 1-8



## ZAMBIA 2020

Next years visit to Zambia will take place between Sunday 28 June & Friday 17 July, the cost of the trip is €1,600 all in. Anyone wishing to volunteer please contact the Parish office as soon as possible to secure a place.

## LOUTH AREA RED CROSS

Will hold their annual church gate collection this weekend (12/13 October) after all Masses.

## ST VINCENT DE PAUL OUTREACH

Need help? Remember, you are not alone. Call... 1800 677777. *Your call can be the beginning of solutions.*

## BALSANTER - TEXT ALERT REMINDER

**086 2747474.** Working together we will be safer.

## YOUR EURO GIFT TO YOUR PARISH

At last Sunday's Masses you gave €1,009.80 in 123 envelopes and €557.15 on the plate collection totalling €1,566.95 to help run our Parish.

*Thank you for your continued generosity and loyalty to your Parish.*