

# 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 17 February @ 7.00pm IC ~	<b>Anniversary Masses this weekend</b> Carmel Savage • Mary, Larry & Mickey McEvoy & family deceased • Baby Mary Catherine Campbell
Sunday 18 February @ 9.30am A ~	
Sunday 18 February @ 11.00am IC ~	

Monday 19 February @ 9.30am IC ~
Tuesday 20 February @ 9.30am IC ~
Wednesday 21 February @ 9.30am A ~
Thursday 22 February @ 9.30am IC ~



Saturday 24 February @ 7.00pm IC ~	<b>Anniversary Masses next weekend</b> Peter McCullough • Paddy Reynolds • James Maguire • Jenny smith • Sinead Reilly • Nan & James Quaile • Rene Tully & dec'd members of the Tully family
Sunday 25 February @ 9.30am A ~	
Sunday 25 February @ 11.00am IC ~	

## RECENTLY DECEASED - REST IN PEACE

**Damien Reynolds** (England & late of Drogheda Rd) • **Michael King** (Belcotton) • **Jimmy McGuinness** (Baltray Road) •  
**John McHugh** (Monasterboice) • **Jimmy Lynch** (Yellowfurze, Co. Meath) • **John Sweeney** (Donegal) • **Alec McClean**  
(Annagassan) • **Mary & Nuala O'Brien** (England) • **Pauline Gibney** (Drogheda)

## EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION - TIME OF QUIET FOR PRAISE AND BLESSINGS

Eucharistic Adoration in the church of the Immaculate Conception, Termonfeckin  
from 7pm to 8pm every **Monday**.

**Friday** from 11am– 6pm via the internet only, see <https://www.termonfechinparish.ie/webcam>

In Scripture the beautiful verse from the Book of Psalms comes to mind:

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



## STATIONS OF THE CROSS FOR LENT

Stations of the Cross will take place at **4pm** on the Sunday's of Lent in the church of the Immaculate Conception Termonfeckin, all are welcome.



## FORMS OF FRIDAY PENANCE DURING LENT

The following are suggested as ways of fulfilling Friday penance:

- Abstaining from meat or some other food;
- Making a special effort at involvement in family prayer;
- Making a special effort to participate in Mass
- Fasting from all food for a longer period than usual and perhaps giving what is saved to the needy;
- Helping the poor, sick, old or lonely.
- Abstaining from alcoholic drink or smoking;
- Visiting the Blessed Sacrament;
- Making the Stations of the Cross;

## TROCAIRE LENT CAMPAIGN

'I set my bow in the clouds to serve as a sign of the covenant between me and the earth.' (Genesis 9:13) This year Trócaire's lenten campaign focuses on the country of Malawi, Africa. Malawi is one of the least developed countries in the world and has been badly affected by climate change. In the Machinga district, Malita and her family must make a one-hour trip up to five times a day to collect water. Please support Trócaire in helping communities develop sustainable access to clean, safe and reliable water supplies by taking home a Trócaire box today or going to: [www.trocaire.org](http://www.trocaire.org).

Patricia and Patrick at their home. Photo credit: Muiru Mbutia, Trócaire



## WELCOMED WITH GREAT JOY

During the months of February Fia Bernadette Meegan, Blackhall; was welcomed in the Church by Baptism.

Baptisms take place on the second Sunday of each month. To arrange a Baptism please call Ann in the Parish Office.



## PRAISE & WORSHIP PRAYER MEETING

Held every Tuesday at 8pm. Will now meet in the Parish Hall (Old School) Eircode A92 DNT9 . Further inquiries contact Sandra 085 8110475.

## PILGRIMAGE TO ASSISI AND SAN GIOVANNI

Departing 16 October for 7 nights. Visit Sts. Francis, Clare and Pio and Bl. Carlo Acutis with local Spiritual Director. The cost of €1,199 includes full board, flights to Rome and Naples, local guides and all transfers. Contact Paul Johnstone (086-8281889) or Marian Pilgrimages (01-8788159) for further details.

## ST FECHINS GAA

Social dancing with Matt Leavy continues this Sunday from 5pm to 7. 30pm supper served and all are welcome .

Ireland lights up - Ever Monday and Wednesday evening from 7pm-8.30pm.

## 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 BOTH PARISH CHURCHES

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

## YOUR EURO GIFT TO YOUR PARISH

At last Sunday's Masses you gave €875.30 in 64 envelopes and €747.47 on the plate collection totalling €1,622.77 to help run our Parish.

Thank you for your support to your Parish.

## NEXT SUNDAY'S SCRIPTURE:

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

Genesis 22: 1-2, 9-13, 15-18 ▪ Psalm 115  
▪ Romans 8. 31 - 34 ▪ Mark 9: 2 - 10



## SEVEN THOUGHTS FOR LENT

1. Lent stimulates us to let the Word of God penetrate our life and in this way to know the fundamental truth: Who we are, where we come from, where we must go, what path we must take in life. – *Pope Benedict XVI*
2. Fasting is the soul of prayer, mercy is the lifeblood of fasting. So if you pray, fast; if you fast, show mercy, if you want your petition to be heard, hear the petition of others. If you do not close your ear to others, you open God's ear to yourself. – *St Peter Chrysologous*
3. Lenten practices of giving up pleasures are a good reminder that the purpose of life is not pleasure. The purpose of life is to attain a perfect life, all truth and undying ecstatic love – which is the definition of God. In pursuing that happiness, we find happiness. – *Fulton J. Sheen*
4. Do you wish your prayer to fly toward God? Make for it two wings: fasting and almsgiving. – *St Augustine*
5. Apart from the cross, there is no other ladder by which we may go to heaven. – *St Rose of Lima*
6. O Lord, make this Lenten season different from the other ones. Let me find you again. Amen.
7. Lent comes providentially to awaken us, to shake us from our lethargy. – *Pope Francis*

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## INTERNET BROADCASTING

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