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# St Colmcille's Pastoral Area Newsletter

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Sunday Cycle C; Weekdays Cycle 1; Psalter Week 4

#### **FOURTH WEEK IN LENT**

30<sup>th</sup> March 2025

Clergy: V. Rev. Patrick Rushe, PP., Vf, Monasterboice & Adm Togher 086 880 7470; V. Rev. Paul Byrne PP., Termonfechin & Adm Clogherhead 041 982 2121; Rev. Akan Ekpe, MSP, CC. 089 461 3811; V. Rev. Tom Daly, PE, AP. Togher 041-685 2110;

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# Masses Times - Clogherhead Parish

Sunday 30 March @ **10.45am Ss Peter & Paul's Church Walshestown** ~ Patrick Devlin

Sunday 30 March @ **12noon Clogherhead** ~ Paddy Rushe 5th Av. (Fr. Paddy's dad)

Thursday 3 April @ **9.30am St Michael's Church Clogherhead** ~ Terry Gallagher

Sunday 6 April @ 10.45am Walshestown ~

Sunday 6 April @ **12 noon St Michael's Church Clogherhead** ~ Daisy Kirwan Month's Mind • Noel Kirwan (1<sup>st</sup> Av) • Carmel Edwards (1<sup>st</sup> Av) • Peter + Lizzy Kirwan + Richard Kirk

#### Masses Times - Monasterboice Parish

Sunday 30 March@ **9.45am Fieldstown** Flenny + Charlie Brodigan + deceased members of Brodigan + Roche families

Sunday 30 March @ 11.30am Tenure ~ Paddy Snr + Paddy Jnr Callan

Tuesday 1 April @ 9.30am Tenure ~

Wed 2 April @ **9.30am Church of the Nativity of Our Lady Fieldstown** Polycarp Ekpe (22<sup>nd</sup> Av - Fr Akan's dad)

Thurs 3 April @ 7.00am Church of the Nativity of Our Lady Fieldstown ~

Friday 4 April @ **7pm Tenure** Dan (9<sup>th</sup> Av) + Vera Rock (5<sup>th</sup> Av)

Sunday 6 April @ 9.45am Fieldstown

Sunday 30 Mar @ **11.30am Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception Tenure** ~ Mary (1<sup>st</sup> Av) + Jim Dunne (33<sup>rd</sup> Av) • Monica Loughran (7<sup>th</sup> Av)

#### **Eucharistic Adoration - Time of quiet for Praise and Blessings**

Eucharistic Adoration in **Termonfeckin church** from 7pm to 8pm every

Monday. Also on Friday from 11am–6pm via the internet only, see https://www.termonfechinparish.ie/webcam
Holy Hour Adoration every Tuesday from 10 -11am in

**Clogherhead church** including the Miraculous Medal Novena. Also Eucharistic Adoration after all daily Masses in

### Monasterboice and Togher.

If you are unable to attend please feel free to join in via the church webcams. In Scripture the beautiful verse from the Book of Psalms comes to mind:

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

Mullary Cemetery Draw: #37 Noel McDonnell and John McGeough

## Your €uro Gift to your Parish.

Monasterboice Parish - At last Sunday's Masses you gave €362.00 in envelopes €279.00 on the plate and €195.00 online totalling €836.00. Emigration €115.00 Termonfeckin Parish - At last Sunday's Masses you gave €503.00 in envelopes and €426.19 on the plate, totalling €929.19. Trocaire €80, Episcopal Conf €10.00

**Clogherhead Parish** - The collection from Masses on March 16th, 17th and 23rd are €1846.15 in envelopes and €395.85 on the plate, totalling €2242.00.

**Togher Parish** - At last Sunday's Masses you gave €732.10 in envelopes, €282.37 on the plate collection and €300 online totalling €1,314.47. Emigration €194.00 *Thank you for your support to your Parish.* 

Clogherhead Weekly Envelopes are available at the back of the Church.

A Prayer for Mothers

Loving God, we thank you for the gift of our mothers and for all

those who have shown us a mother's love.
Bless them with joy, strength, and peace.
Comfort those who are missing someone today, and be close to those for whom this day is difficult.
May Mary, our gentle Mother, guide and protect them all.

Amen.

# Prayers for Pope Francis & All Who Are Sick:

Five years have passed since Pope Francis ascended the steps of St. Peter's Basilica alone on a rainy evening to join the world in praying for an end to the Covid-19 pandemic. Held on March 27, 2020, the 'Statio Orbis' prayer brought the Pope close to everyone, shuttered up in their homes around the world out of fear of a rampaging virus.

St. Peter's Square was dramatically empty, even though millions of people around the world were tuned in to him, glued to their television screens, still locked inside the long quarantine of the lockdown. With that gesture, with that prayer, and with the daily Mass from the Chapel of the Casa Santa Marta, the Successor of Peter embraced everyone in the emptiness of the square. We are pleased that he has rallied so well and we continue to pray for him.

CONFIRMATION: These weeks see the beginning of the season of confirmation. Confirmation is the Sacrament that completes Baptism; in it the gift of the Holy Spirit is bestowed upon us. Anyone who freely decides to live a life as God's child and asks for God's Spirit under the signs of the imposition of hands and anointing with Chrism receives strength to witness to God's love and might in word and deed. He/She is now a full fledged responsible member of the Catholic Church.' Catechism of the Catholic Church – Reference [1285-1314]

We pray for all those who recently received the Sacrament in Clogherhead, and those who will receive it in Fieldstown next Friday, we remember their parents and sponsors and thank our schools for the work of preparing the children for the sacrament. The Archbishop/Auxillary Bishop will be visiting in May to confirm the children from Togher, Tenure, and Termonfechin.

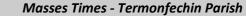
Legion meeting every Wednesday at 11.00am in St. Michael's Church, Clogherhead.

**PENITENTIAL SERVICE:** Advent and Lent are beautiful times to celebrate the reconciling love and the healing graces our Lord offers us. Like all religious experiences, it takes preparation.

Reconciliation is what God does. Receiving it and celebrating it is what we do. The Sacrament of Reconciliation is a most natural way to celebrate His forgiveness and love. The Sacrament of Reconciliation is the opportunity to grow closer to God. Communal Penance Services or Reconciliation Services are a form of sacramental confession. It mixes public prayer and individual confession to a priest, followed by absolution.

This Lent the Pastoral Area are offering TWO penitential services;

Sunday 6th April (in St. Colmcille's Togher) and Wednesday 9th April (in the Church of The Immaculate Conception, Termonfechin) both at 730pm. This is a great opportunity to attend confession - especially if you've been away from the sacrament for some time. Please let others know - especially younger people in your family circle.



Sat 29 March @ **7.30pm Church of the Immaculate Conception Termonfechin Termonfechin** ~ Colm Berkery (1st Av) • Ben Connolly • Mary Murphy • Bridget,
Peter, John + Margaret Macken • David Hobbs • Bridie Campbell • Tony
Gorman • Richard Doggett • Eddie Hall

Sunday 30th March @ 9.15am Sandpit ~

Monday 31st March @ 9.30am Termonfechin ~ Deacon led service

Tuesday 1st April @ 7.00pm Termonfechin ~ Padre Pio

Wednesday 2nd April @ 9.30am Church of the Assumption Sandpit ~

Thursday 3rd April - No Mass - Wedding at 1.00pm

Sat 5 April @ 7.30pm Church of the Immaculate Conception

Sunday 6 April @ 9.15am Sandpit ~

# **Masses Times - Togher Parish**

Saturday 29 March @ 6.15pm Dysart ~

Sunday 30 March @ 10am Togher ~ Kevin O'Neill (1st Av)

Sunday 30 March @ **11.30am Dillonstown** ~ Peggy Keaskin + deceased family members

Thursday 3 April @ 10am Dysart ~

Friday 4 April @ 10am St Finian's Church Dillonstown ~

Saturday 5 April @ 6.15pm Dysart ~ Pat + Mary Campbell

Sunday 6 April @ **10am Togher** ~ John Butterly (2<sup>nd</sup> Av), John + Sara Thorne

Sunday 6 April @ 11.30am Dillonstown ~

#### Recently Deceased - Rest in Peace

Tony Gorman (Manchester + late of Newtown Cottages) • Nora Connaughton (Walshestown) • Daisy Kirwan (nee Rafferty) Clogherhead • Josephine Devine Termonfechin • Teresa 'Tess' Kirwan (nee Levins) Clogherhead • Marie Lynch (nee Lynch) Ardee • Robert Byrne Monasterboice • Frank Maguire Monasterboice • Leslie Oliver Togher

# **Stations of the Cross during Lent:**

Church of the Immaculate Conception Termonfechin - Sundays at 4.00pm St Michael's Church Clogherhead - Fridays at 7.00pm and Sundays at 7.00pm Devotions during Lent: 7.30pm rotating around the Churches in Monasterboice & Togher, Fieldstown on March 30th, Dillonstown on April 6<sup>th</sup> & Tenure on April 13th.

St Fechins Community Centre A92 ET95 Wednesday 2nd April at 7:00pm admission €5. We would encourage the parents and friends to come and see their child's performance. Taking part will be The Robinson +Corrigan – White School of Irish Dancing, Sandpit School Choir, Fit Kids,iteens, Termonfeckin School Choir and Dancers.

Next Sunday's Scripture FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT Isaiah 43:16-21 • Psalm 125 • Philippians 3:8-14 • John 8: 1-11

<u>Parish Office Hours:</u> Please note the parish office is open **Tuesday &**Wednesday from 2.30-5.30pm for all your enquiries, certificates & bookings.

Internet Broadcasting Mass and other services will be broadcast each day over the internet. The operators of the systems are Fr. Paul Byrne PP, Parochial House, Termonfechin, tel 041-9822121, and Fr Paddy Rushe PP, Parochial House, Hamlinstown, tel 086-8807470 to whom queries should be referred.