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St Colmcille's Pastoral Area Newsletter

Parish websites: www.clogherheadparish.ie www.monasterboiceparish.com

Internet Broadcasting: Mass & other services will be broadcast each day over the internet. The operators of the systems are Fr Paul ByrnePP. & Fr Paddy Rushe PP.

Sunday Cycle C; Weekdays Cycle 1; Psalter Week 3

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD World Communication Day

1st June 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

Masses Times - Clogherhead Parish

Sunday 1 June @ 10.45am Ss Peter & Paul's Church Walshestown ~

Sunday 1 June @ 12 noon St Michael's Church Clogherhead ~ Anne Clinton (Month's Mind) • Jonathon McKenna (20th Av.) • Brendan Matthews (10th Av.)

Thursday 5 June @ 9.30am St Michael's Church Clogherhead ~

Sunday 8 June @ 10.45am Walshestown ~ David & Eamonn Laffery

Sunday 8 June @ 12 noon St Michael's Church Clogherhead ~ Pauline Martin O'Rourke (1st Anniversary) • Peter & Nano Kearney • Pauline & Jemmy Reilly • Michael & Maureen Kirwan + deceased members of the Conlon family

Masses Times - Monasterboice Parish

Sunday 1 June @ 9.45am Church of the Nativity of Our Lady Fieldstown

Sunday 1 June @ 11.30am Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception Tenure ~ Rose Byrne (13th Av.) • Frances Hoey

Tuesday 3 June @ 9.30am Tenure ~

Wed 4 June @ 9.30am Church of the Nativity of Our Lady Fieldstown

Friday 6 June @ 7pm Tenure

Sunday 8 June @ 9.45am Fieldstown ~ Fenton & Alice Howell • Patsy & **Bridgie Winters**

Sunday 8 June @ 11.30am Tenure ~ Patricia Yore

Recently Deceased - Rest in Peace

John (Seán) Murphy Bagenalstown, Carlow & formerly Carstown, Ballymakenny Gerry Kelly Clogherhead • Niall McConville Grangebellew • Joe O'Sullivan Clogherhead • Philip Devlin Termonfeckin • Patsy Reilly (née McLeer) Drogheda • Lucy McGurnaghan (née Deighan) Ballynahinch • Sean Mulligan Dromiskin formerally Omeath •Nora Mackin Cullyhanna • Neil Connor Donegal & London • Martin Mortlock Kent • Tom Cunningham (Staffordshire & formerly Clogherhead) • Fr Peter Kerr, PE, Carrickmore • Mary Woods Birmingham & formerly Salterstown

Eucharistic Adoration – A Time of Quiet Praise and Blessing

Monday in Termonfeckin Church 7pm to 8pm. Tuesday in Clogherhead Church 10am to 11am and after Mass in Tenure Church. Wednesday after Mass in Fieldstown. Thursday after Mass in Dysart and Friday after Mass in Dillonstown and from 11am to 6pm via the internet only on www.termonfechinparish.ie/webcam For those unable to be present in person, we warmly invite you to join us online through the parish webcams. As Scripture reminds us: "Be still, and know that I am God." — Psalm 46:10

Relic of St Oliver Plunkett The Knights of St Columbanus will have St Oliver Plunkett's relic at the 11.30am Mass in Dillonstown on Sunday next (8th June), and at 7.30pm Mass in Termonfechin on Saturday 14th June and in Sandpit at 9.15am, Walshestown at the 10.45am Mass and Clogherhead at the 12noon Mass on Sunday 15th June.



Next Sunday's Scripture PENTECOST SUNDAY -

Acts 2: 1-11; Psalm 103;

Romans 8: 8-17 John 14: 15-16 23-26 or Acts 2: 1-11; Psalm 103;

Corinthians 12: 3 - 7, 12 - 13 John 20: 19 - 23

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Christians are often tempted to ignore the bodily aspects of Jesus' ministry, death, and resurrection. It is easier to make sense of our relationship with God or the Easter mystery on the level of the metaphysical. But this Sunday, as we celebrate the Feast of the Ascension, we are confronted with the fact that bodies matter. Scripture is clear that Jesus returns not as a ghost but as a physical human person.

When he ascends into heaven, he does so not in some idealized form, but with all his particularities, with wounds in his hands and whip marks on his back. But also, with scars on his fingertips from cutting himself with a chisel while helping his father at work. Chicken pox scars. Callouses on his feet from the hundreds of miles he walked. Maybe he had weird tan lines or a broken toe that never healed correctly. This body is taken to heaven to rejoin God.

The Feast of the Ascension reminds us that Jesus is not the toned, beautiful white man we see in much of our art. Jesus was wounded, hurt, and scarred. His body told the story of his life from his birth in a manger until his death on the cross. And this wounded body was holy enough to enter heaven. Likewise, our bodies are holy too not despite our disabilities, imperfections, and scars, but because of them.

Pope's Intention for June

That the World may Grow in Compassion: Let us pray that each one of us might find consolation in a personal relationship with Jesus, and from his Heart, learn to have compassion on the world.

First Friday calls will take place this week. If you are or know someone who is housebound and would like a sick call, please call the parish office on 087-3791443, to arrange a visit.

Congratulations to Fr Giacomo Taffi of the Redemptoris Mater Seminary, who was ordained to the Priesthood by Archbishop Eamon yesterday (Saturday 31st May) in St Patrick's Cathedral, Armagh.

St. Finian's NS Dillonstown Summer fete will take place on Sunday 15th June from 1.30pm-4.30pm. Great family day out, with BBQ, ice cream, stalls games, ceoil, craic, face painting, creatures crew, reflexology and more. All are welcome.

The next meeting of the **Drogheda COPD Support Group** takes place next Friday, June 6th, from 2.30pm-4pm, in The Barbican Centre, Drogheda. Light refreshments are served and all are welcome to attend.

For further details, contact Peter (0878071138) or Oliver (0834156104)

Mullary Cemetery Draw: # 20 Paul Clarke & Betty Kelly

The Prayer & Praise meeting Held every Tuesday at 8pm in the Parish Hall (Old School, Termonfeckin) Eircode A92 DNT9.

Further inquiries contact Sandra 085 8110475. All are welcome.

Annual Cemetery Blessings will be taking place in the coming months. Salterstown Cemetery – Sunday, 1st June @ 7.00pm (Mass in St. Finian's at 11.30am). Port Cemetery – Monday, 2nd June @ 7.00pm Mass in St. Colmcille's Church. Clonmore -Sunday 8th June @ 7pm (Mass in St Colmcille's at 10am). Dunany - Sunday 29th June @ 7pm (Mass in St Colmcille's at 10am). Mayne & Rathdrummin Cemeteries @ 3pm & 4.30pm on Sunday 29th June. **Mullary** Cemetery Mass @ 12noon on Sunday 20th July. Ballymakenny Cemetery Mass at 12noon on Sunday 27th July. Drumcar Sunday 27th July at 7pm (Inter-Church Ceremony) (Mass @ 11.30am in St Finian's) Monasterboice Cemetery Mass at 12noon on Sunday 3rd August. Holy Cross Cemetery, Sheetland Rd & **Old Cemetery**, Termonfeckin 3pm & 4.30pm on Sunday 10th August. The Mullagh & St Denis' Cemeteries, Clogherhead at 3pm & 4.30pm on Sunday 17th August.

Masses Times - Termonfechin Parish

Saturday 31 May @ 7.30pm Termonfechin ~ Jim O'Neill (1st Anniversary) • Patrick Duff (1st Anniversary) • Catherine Gannon (2nd Av.) • Michael McAuley • Tony & Ita McAuley • John & Peggy Maguire • Brigid & Patrick Kelly + Fr Aidan Kavanagh • Mathews & Hughes family deceased • Mick & Rea McGowan

Sunday 1 June @ 9.15am Sandpit ~ Geraldine & Karen Meegan

Tuesday 3 June @ **7pm Termonfechin** ~ St. Padre Pio Prayer group

Wednesday 4 June @ 9.30am Church of the Assumption Sandpit ~

Thursday 5 June @ 9.30am Termonfechin ~

Saturday 7 June @ 7.30pm Church of the Immaculate Conception Termonfechin

Sunday 8 June @ **9.15am Sandpit** ~ Mary Farrell (3rd Av.)

Masses Times - Togher Parish

Saturday 31 May @ 6.15pm St Borchill's Dysart ~

Sunday 1 June @ 10am Togher ~ Marie Claire Rogers (Month's Mind) • Jimmy Hand (1st Anniversary)

Sunday 1 June @11.30am Dillonstown ~ Deceased in Salterstown Cemetery

Monday 2 June @ 7.00pm St. Colmcilles ~ Deceased in Port Cemetery

Thursday 5 June @ 11am Dysart ~

Friday 6 June @ 10am St Finian's Dillonstown ~

Saturday 7 June @ 6.15pm St Borchill's Dysart ~ Jean Rath (Month's Mind) • Bill & Eileen Doran (Kilkenny) + Mary Doran • Pete & Beda Reynolds + Mary Reynolds (recently deceased)

Sunday 8 June @ 10am Togher ~ Teresa Murray (1st Anniversary) • Deceased in Clonmore Cemetery

Sunday 8 June @11.30am Dillonstown ~

St Michael's Church Clogherhead Church cleaners for June, Grainne Campion, Marie Reilly & Lucia Kirwan. Thanks to our May teams.

St Anthony's Novena takes place in St Peter's Church, Drogheda from Thursday 5th to Friday 13th June. All are welcome.

June Dues collection will take place in Clogherhead & Walshestown Parish & Termonfechin Parish this weekend 31st May/1st June

Your €uro Gift to your Parish.

Clogherhead Parish - At last Sunday's Masses you gave €734.85 in envelopes and €352.25 on the plate collection totalling €1,087.10.

Togher Parish - At last Sunday's Masses you gave €623.00 in envelopes, €385.86 on the plate collection and €40 online. Vocations €20 & Dues €650.70.

Monasterboice Parish - At last Sunday's Masses you gave €415 in envelopes €341 on the plate, and €315 online, €120 was received in Dues.

Termonfeckin Parish - At last Sunday's Masses you gave €698.00 in envelopes and €352.76 on the plate collection & €199 online, €27.35 for Vocations & Dues €50 Thank you for your support to your Parish.

Parish Office Hours: Please note the parish office is open on Monday (9am-1pm) Termonfechin, **Tuesday** 9.30am-12.30 Clogherhead & 2.30-5.30pm Monasterboice & Togher, Wednesday 9am-1pm Termonfeckin & 2.30-5.30pm Monasterboice & Togher, Thursday 9am-1pm Termonfechin & 3-5.30pm Clogherhead for all your enquiries, certificates & bookings.

Please call Mary, Rosey or Ann on 087-3791443.