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# St Colmcille's Pastoral Area Newsletter

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## Sunday Cycle A/Psalter Week 3

Clergy: V. Rev. Patrick Rushe, PP., Vf, Monasterboice & Adm Togher 086 880 7470 (via Whatsapp); V. Rev. Paul Byrne PP., Termonfechin 041 98 22121; V. Rev. Martin McVeigh PP., Clogherhead 041 982 2224;

Rev. Akan Ekpe, MSP, CC. 089 461 3811; V. Rev. Tom Daly, PE, AP. Togher

17<sup>th</sup> May 2026

## THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

<b>Masses Times - Clogherhead Parish</b>
Sunday 17 May @ <b>10.45am Walshestown</b> ~ Patrick, Mary & Joyce Phillips • Special Intention • Kieran Devine
Sunday 17 May @ <b>12 noon St Michael's Church Clogherhead</b> ~ Chris Hoy ( <i>rd Enniskillen</i> ) • Bernadette McGrane ( <i>2<sup>nd</sup> Av.</i> ) • Martina (Smith) Mooney + Jane & Paddy Byrne + Kate & Joseph Smith • Tom Roche-Garland
Monday 18 May @ <b>9am Clogherhead</b> ~
Thursday 21 May @ <b>9am Clogherhead</b> ~
Friday 22 May @ <b>9am Clogherhead</b> ~ Annie Clarke RIP
Sunday 24 May @ <b>10.45am Walshestown</b> ~ Paddy & Bridie McCann & deceased members of the McCann family • Patsy & Maura Howell
Sunday 24 May @ <b>12 noon St Michael's Church Clogherhead</b> ~ Joseph O'Sullivan ( <i>1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary</i> ) • Paddy ( <i>40<sup>th</sup> Av.</i> ), Maura, Jim, Nicholas, Aidan, Rita & Lilian McLeer • William, Kate & Tom Gogan
<b>Masses Times - Monasterboice Parish</b>
Sunday 17 May @ <b>9.45am Fieldstown</b> ~
Sunday 17 May @ <b>11.30am Immaculate Conception Tenure</b> ~ Nicholas Sullivan • William & Brigid Howell • Johnny ( <i>42<sup>nd</sup> Av.</i> ), Katty ( <i>34<sup>th</sup> Av.</i> ), Kathleen ( <i>24<sup>th</sup> Av.</i> ), Frankie ( <i>13<sup>th</sup> Av.</i> ), Oliver ( <i>12<sup>th</sup> Av.</i> ), Stephen ( <i>3<sup>rd</sup> Av.</i> ), Michele ( <i>40<sup>th</sup> Av.</i> ) & John ( <i>2<sup>nd</sup> Av.</i> ) Finegan
Tuesday 19 May @ <b>9.30am Immaculate Conception Tenure</b> ~ <i>Miraculous Medal Novena</i>
Wednesday 20 May @ <b>9.30am Fieldstown</b> ~
Friday 22 May @ <b>7pm Tenure</b> ~ <i>Miraculous Medal Novena</i>
Sunday 24 May @ <b>9.45am Church of the Nativity of Our Lady Fieldstown</b> ~
Sunday 24 May @ <b>11.30am Tenure</b> ~ Sally & Sean Levins • John & Catherine Egan

### Recently Deceased - Rest in Peace

**Ursula Harrison** Drogheda • **Geraldine Meegan (née Kierans)** Belcotton • **Danny (Dermot) Sullivan** Drumcar • **John (Johnny) Callaghan** Grangebellew • **Anna Byrne** Clogherhead & formerly Togher • **Rose Faulkes** Leicester • **Claire Kearney** Collon • **Pauline Mulholland** Birmingham

**May - The month of the Rosary** As Church we celebrate the great prayer of the Rosary at special times. The month of May is one of them. Termonfechin Parish invite you to join others to pray the Rosary at the Grottos in the Parish at 7pm on the following dates: Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> May, Scoil Mhuire gan Smál, Sandpit; Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> May, Church of Immaculate Conception Grotto; *Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us.....*

**Adoration and Rosary** in St. Michaels Church on the Sunday's of May @ 7pm in honour of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

**The Legion of Mary** will be leading the Rosary in the Graveyards in Clogherhead Parish in May at 3pm on the following dates: today Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> May St Denis'; 24<sup>th</sup> May Mayne; 31<sup>st</sup> May Rathdrummin. All are welcome.

**The Annual Armagh Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock** on Trinity Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> May. Coach departs from Our Lady of Lourdes Church at 7.45am Sharp, cost €30. Booking at St Peter's Mass office or contact Damien 083 3504551 or Jacqueline 086 1607287

**Pre-Baptism** meeting Wednesday @ 7.30pm St Michael's Church Sacristy.

**Mullary Cemetery Draw:** Winners # 22 Gillian & Janice Kelly + Mary Fanning

**Confirmation Day** The children in Scoil Mhuire gan Smál, Sandpit will receive the sacrament of Confirmation on Saturday next 23<sup>rd</sup> May at 2pm and the children in Scoil Naomh Fechin, Termonfechin will receive the sacrament of Confirmation on Sunday next, 24<sup>th</sup> May at 2pm.

**First Holy Communion Day** Today Sunday at 10.45 Mass the children of St Paul's SEN class in Walshestown will receive their first Holy Communion. The children from St. Patrick's N.S. Harestown and St. Buithe's N.S. Tenure will receive the sacrament of First Holy Communion on Saturday next, 23<sup>rd</sup> May.

We thank Bishop Router for his gentle presence with us in Clogherhead Parish yesterday and for Confirming our 52 candidates. Congratulations to our children, families, schools, Sacristans and the PPC and to all in the Pastoral area who have received sacraments in recent weeks.



**Jubilee Celebration of Priestly Anniversaries**  
 Join us for a Mass of Thanksgiving on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> June @3pm, celebrating the priestly jubilees of; Fr Tom Daly (60 years), Fr Martin McVeigh (50 years), and Fr Akan Ekpe (25 years), together with a general

recognition of all priests serving our Pastoral Area at this time of year. Mass will be followed by a light food reception in St Colmcille's School, Tullydonnell. While the Mass will take place in Togher Parish, all parishioners of the Pastoral Area are warmly invited.

Please register by scanning the QR code, or you can drop a note with your name phone number and how many people will be attending in the collection basket or call the parish office so we can plan catering numbers.



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**Job vacancy:** Termonfechin parish requires a sacristan for the Immaculate Conception church. Permanent part time. Further details from the parish office and applications in writing to the parish priest.



**Corpus Christi Procession** from St Michael's Church to the Hall on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> June after Mass. Confirmation & 1st Communion classes are specially invited.

Have you noticed the **Urgent Call** for volunteers in Clogherhead & Walshestown? We badly need PPC & Altar Society volunteers, Counters, Altar Servers, and the many other needs. Please think about it and phone us -041 982 2224

**Drogheda COPD Support Group** will hold their next meeting on Monday, May 18<sup>th</sup> at 11am, in The Barbican Centre, Drogheda. Light refreshments are served and all are welcome to attend. Exercise classes take place every Monday, also in the Barbican Centre, Drogheda from 12noon-1pm and classes are €5 per person. All are welcome.

**Living Well Programme** Are you, or is someone you know, living with a long-term health condition? If so, then you may be interested in the 'Living Well Programme'. Living Well is a FREE, Online 7 week self-management group programme for adults living with long term health conditions, such as asthma, COPD, diabetes, heart conditions, stroke and others to name but a few. There are spaces available for the Online Programme due to start in early June. To book your place please contact Aine 041 6850676 / 087 1140371 or Elaine 041 6860710 / 087 4308735 (Closing date for registration is Friday 5<sup>th</sup> June).

### PENTECOST SUNDAY

*Day of Prayer for the Church in China*  
 Acts 2:1 - 11; Psalm 103; 1 Corinthians 12: 3 - 7, 12 - 13; John 20: 19 - 23

### May Newsletters

Are kindly sponsored by a parishioner in honour of deceased family members & friends .

<b>Masses Times - Termonfechin Parish</b>
Saturday 16 May @ <b>7.30pm Termonfechin</b> ~ Philip Devlin ( <i>1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary</i> ) • Sr Paula, John & Margaret + Joe Leech
Sunday 17 May @ <b>9.15am Church of the Assumption Sandpit</b> ~ Eugene Kierans (Sunhill)
Monday 18 May @ <b>9.30am Termonfechin</b> ~
Tuesday 19 May @ <b>9.30am Termonfechin</b> ~
Wednesday 20 May @ <b>9.30am Sandpit</b> ~
Thursday 21 May @ <b>9.30am Termonfechin</b> ~
Saturday 23 May @ <b>7.30pm Church of the Immaculate Conception Termonfechin</b> ~ May & Paddy Montague • Mary ( <i>2<sup>nd</sup> Av.</i> ), Jim ( <i>2<sup>nd</sup> Av.</i> ), Aidan & Maureen King • Anna, Patrick & Fergus Hodgins • Matty & Peggy Kavanagh
Sunday 24 May @ <b>9.15am Church of the Assumption Sandpit</b> ~

<b>Masses Times - Togher Parish</b>
Saturday 16 May @ <b>6.15pm Dysart</b> ~
Sunday 17 May @ <b>10am Togher</b> ~ Reginald Carroll • Winifred & Joseph Devlin
Sunday 17 May @ <b>11.30am St Finian's Church Dillonstown</b> ~
Monday 18 May @ <b>7pm St Colmcille's Togher</b> ~ <i>Miraculous Medal Novena</i>
Thursday 21 May @ <b>10am St Borchill's Church Dysart</b> ~
Friday 22 May @ <b>10am Dillonstown</b> ~ <i>Miraculous Medal Novena</i>
Saturday 23 May @ <b>6.15pm Dysart</b> ~ Niall McConville ( <i>1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary</i> ) • Mary & Jimmy Sharkey
Sunday 24 May @ <b>10am Togher</b> ~ Murphy & Cassells family deceased
Sunday 24 May @ <b>11.30am St Finian's Church Dillonstown</b> ~

**Praise & Worship Prayer meeting** Held every Tuesday at 8pm in the Parish Hall (Old School, Termonfechin) Eircode A92 DNT9. Please contact Sandra 085 8110475. Everyone in the pastoral area and beyond are welcome to come along.

**School Fete** St Finian's NS, Dillonstown will host their annual school fete on Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> May from 12noon to 3pm at the back of the school. BBQ, tea, coffee, buns & treats, lego, zorb football, face painting toy stalls etc. Fun for all the family, all welcome.

### Your Euro Gift to your Parish.

**Monasterboice Parish** - At last Sunday's Masses you gave €940 in envelopes, plate collection €341, Dues €186, Vocations €48 & €230 online.

**Clogherhead Parish** - At Masses on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> May you gave €491.50 in envelopes and €165.30 on the plate collection & at last Sunday's Masses you gave €381.05 in envelopes and €301.15 on the plate collection.

**Termonfechin Parish** - At last Sunday's Masses you gave €848.40 in envelopes, plate collection €369.85, Priests Dues €25, Vocations €15, St Patrick's Cathedral Restoration Fund €10 & €380 online.

**Togher Parish** - Last week's collection totals will be published in next week's newsletter. Online donations amounted to €60.

*Thank you for your support for your Parish.*

**Parish Office Hours:** Please note the parish office is open **Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday** this week from 9am-1pm, for all your enquiries, certificates & bookings. Please call Rosey/Ann **087-3791443**.

**Clogherhead & Walshestown:** To book Mass intentions, anniversaries, etc - the preferred way is to phone 982 2224 on Tue or Fri mornings from 9.30am-12.30pm outside these hours, just leave a message on the answer phone.