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www.monasterboiceparish.com
www.termonfechinparish.ie

St. Colmcille's Pastoral Area Newsletter

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

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



23rd August 2026

Sunday Cycle A/Weekday Cycle 2/Psalter Week 1

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

<i>Masses Times - Clogherhead Parish</i>
Sunday 23 August @ 10.45am Walshestown ~ The People of the parish
Sunday 23 August @ 12 noon St Michael's Church Clogherhead ~ Kieran Crilly (1st Anniversary) • James and Margaret Califf • Peter & Breedin McGrane and deceased family members
Monday 24 August @ 9am Clogherhead ~
Tuesday 25 August @ 9am Clogherhead ~ Michéala McVeigh (2nd Av)
Thursday 27 August @ 9am Clogherhead ~ Special Intension
Sunday 30 August @ 10.45am Walshestown ~
Sunday 30 August @ 12 noon St Michael's Church Clogherhead ~ Pat and Gretta Lynch
<i>Masses Times - Monasterboice Parish</i>
Sunday 23 August @ 9.45am Fieldstown ~ Martin McQuirk (22nd Av)
Sunday 23 August @ 11.30am Tenure ~ • Eithne McKiernan • Arthur & Bridget Matthews, Keith & Delia Carder, John & May Keane, Tommy Mulroy, Mary Mulroy, Kathleen McGrory, Pat & Rose-Marie Cummins • Dolores Kelly (3rd Av) • Angela Lynn (6th Av) and her daughter Sineád.
Tuesday 25 August @ 9.30am Tenure ~ Jim McDonnell
Wednesday 26 August @ 9.30am Fieldstown ~
Friday 28 August @ 7pm Church of Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception Tenure ~
Sunday 29 August @ 9.45am Fieldstown ~ • Elizabeth Farrell • John and Kathleen Branigan
Sunday 30 August @ 11.30am Tenure ~ • James (Jim) Robinson (Months Mind) • Clifford Davis (1st Anniversary) & Olive Veldman and deceased members of the Veldman Family • Stuart Callaghan

Recently Deceased - Rest in Peace

• **Brian Hogan** Clogherhead • **Francis (Frank) Duffy** Marsh Road & Monasterboice • **Christine Casey** Annagassan • **Mary Reynolds** (née Sharkey) Togher • **Helen Maxwell** (née Mc Intyre) Termonfeckin • **Fr. Mícheál Walsh CSSp** (Zambia & Kinnity, Co. Offaly) • **Margaret McConville**, Crossmaglen • **Brian (Briny) Clarke** Tyrone • **Norbert Huber** • **James (Jim) Robinson** Dunleer

Blessing of the Boats The annual Blessing of Boats will take place at The Harbour next Sunday 30th August 2026 at 3pm.

Clogherhead RNLI Clogherhead Lifeboat Open Day which takes place today 23rd August from 2-5pm at the Station. An opportunity for everyone to come and meet the crew, hear about the Lifeboat's life saving activities, tour the station and boat and learn about volunteering with the Lifeboat as crew.



Tenure Church Choir - Do you enjoy singing? If so, Tenure church choir practice resumes on Tuesday 8th September 2026 @ 8.15pm in Tenure Church. ***New members always welcome.*** Contact Mary 087 2409716

Induction Mass for Fr Akan - We formally welcome Fr. Akan as the new Parish Priest of Termonfechin on Saturday 5th September at 7.30pm in The Church of The Immaculate Conception. During the Mass, celebrated by the Archbishop or his representative, Fr. Akan is entrusted with the pastoral care of the parish and commits himself publicly & formally to serving the people, celebrating the sacraments and leading the community in faith. **Everyone** is invited to join us for the special occasion.



Farewell to Bishop Michael Router To say farewell to Bishop Michael and to wish him well on his appointment as Bishop of Derry, there is a Mass of Thanksgiving on Wednesday, 9th September 2026 at 7.00pm in St Patrick's Cathedral. The Pastoral area are organising a free bus with collection points in Togher, Clogherhead, Termonfechin and Tenure from 4pm. Please book by 1st September as limited spaces available. **Call 087 3791443** (*€5 deposit needed to book your place & it will be refunded*)

Eucharistic Adoration – A Time of Quiet Praise and Blessing

Monday in Termonfeckin Church 7pm to 8pm. **Tuesday** after Mass in **Tenure Church**. **Wednesday** in Clogherhead Church 10am to 11am led by the Legion o Mary and 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 or 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

Lough Derg One day Retreat on Saturday 29th August, Admission fee €50 on to island, Bus fare - depending on numbers. *A day of reflection* Enquiries Laurena 085 1833110.

Cemetery Blessings We would like to sincerely thank everyone who joined us for our annual cemetery blessings in the pastoral area this year. It was a beautiful opportunity to come together as a community, remember and honour those who have gone before us, and pray for our departed loved ones. Your presence, prayers and support made these occasions truly special. We are also very grateful to our volunteers, stewards, An Garda Síochána for their traffic patrol and everyone who helped prepare the cemeteries and organise the blessings. Thank you to all who attended and took part. Your continued support and generosity are deeply appreciated, and we look forward to gathering again next year.



Back to School As our children and young people return to school, we wish them every blessing for the year ahead. We remember especially those starting school or beginning somewhere new. May it be a year of friendship, learning and growth. Lord, walk with them each day, calm their worries and encourage their hopes. Bless their teachers, families and all who support them. May they know your presence and



Clogherhead RNLI Golf Classic 2026 This Wednesday 26th August 2026 from 9am – 3pm at Co. Louth Golf Club, Baltray. €500 per team of 4 players with meal included and all players must be members of Golf Ireland. To book your team, please contact County Louth Golf Club directly. We look forward to seeing you on the day.

Monasterboice Senior Citizens trip to the Ulster American Folk Park Wednesday 9th **Sept:** Bus departs The Valley Inn @ 10am returning for dinner @ 6pm. (includes return coach journey, entrance to the Ulster American Folk Park & dinner. Total Cost €25pp. Just a few places left. Contact: Joe Grogan 086 865 3437 ASAP.

Cáirde Fhéichín Praise and Worship Come and see just as you are Tuesdays at **8pm** in Termonfechin Parish Hall A92 DNT9. Join us for uplifting prayers and joyful music. Please contact 085 8110475 for more information. Donations only.

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Jeremiah 20:7-9; Psalm 62:2-6 , 8-9
Romans 12: 1-2 Matthew 16: 21 - 27



August Newsletters

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Saturday 22 August @ 7.30pm Immaculate Conception Termonfechin ~ • Elizabeth Foyle (Months Mind) • Jimmy Lawless • Nicholas Duff • Seamus and Maisie Clinton, Seamus Clinton Jnr & Paddy Clinton
Sunday 23 August @ 9.15am Church of the Assumption Sandpit ~
Monday 24 August @ 9.30am Termonfechin ~
Tuesday 25 August @ 9.30am Termonfechin ~
Wednesday 26 August @ 9.30am Sandpit ~
Thursday 27 August @ 9.30am Termonfechin ~
Saturday 29 August @ 7.30pm Immaculate Conception Termonfechin ~ • Robert Kavanagh • Rosie Rafferty
Sunday 30 August @ 9.15am Church of the Assumption Sandpit ~ • Garvan McFadden (4th Av) • Joe & Patricia Corrigan
<i>Masses Times - Togher Parish</i>
Saturday 22 August @ 6.15pm St Borchill's Dysart ~
Sunday 23 August @ 10am Togher ~ • Tom Connor (3rd Av)
Sunday 23 August @ 11.30am Dillonstown ~ • Peter Boylan • Terence Keaskin and deceased family members
Thursday 27 August @ 10am St Borchill's Church Dysart ~
Friday 28 August @ 10am St Finian's Church Dillonstown ~
Saturday 29 August @ 6.15pm St Borchill's Dysart ~ Hugh, Dilla, Noel, Francie and Philomena Fitzpatrick.
Sunday 30 August @ 10am Togher ~
Sunday 30 August @ 11.30am Dillonstown ~ • Patricia Corrigan (1st Av)

Farewell Masses for Fr. Paul - Next weekend 29th/30th August is Fr. Paul's last weekend in the parish before he moves to Dundalk. He will be celebrating the two parish Masses - Sat 7.30 p.m. in Immaculate Conception church & Sunday 9.15 a.m. in church of the Assumption. Refreshments will be available after both Masses and everyone is invited to participate in Mass and join together afterwards to say their goodbyes.



Mullary Cemetery Draw: Winner #20 Paul Clarke & Betty Kelly

St. Paul's National School teacher interviews on Wednesday at 3.30pm

Your Euro Gift to your Parish.

Clogherhead Parish - At last Sunday's Masses you gave €488.15 in envelopes and €375.45 on the plate collection.

Termonfechin Parish - At last Sunday's Masses you gave €488.90 in envelopes, plate collection €414.27 & Dues €55.

Togher Parish - At last Sunday's Masses you gave €910.05 in envelopes, €409.05 on the plate collection & Dues €30

Monasterboice Parish - At last Sunday's Masses you gave €277 in envelopes, plate collection €286, €100 Feast of the Assumption & €340 online

Thank you for your support for your Parish

Parish Office Hours: Please note the parish office is open **Monday, Wednesday & Thursday** this week from 9am-1pm, for all your enquiries, certificates & bookings. Please call Ann / Rosey **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 to 12.30pm outside these hours, just leave a message on the answer phone.