

## **Parish of Mullingar**

# Cathedral of Christ the King, St Paul's,

## Walshestown, Brotenstown & Gainstown

### **Priests of the Parish:**

Fr. Padraig McMahon, Adm.

Fr. Michael Kilmartin

Fr. Paul Crosbie

Fr. Joseph Naikarakudy

### **Parish Office Hours**

Monday-Friday: 9am-1pm; 2-5pm

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## Vigil Mass (Saturday)

Cathedral: 6pm **Sunday Masses:** 

Cathedral: 8.30am, 11am, 12.30pm

St. Paul's: 10.30am, 12noon

Walshestown: 9am Brotenstown: 10am Gainstown: 11am

## **Daily Masses**

7.45am & 10am Cathedral

9.15am St Paul's

**Confessions Cathedral** 

Saturday 2.30pm—3.30pm

**Eucharistic Adoration** 8am-8pm

## Bereavement Support

087-6309808

### Collections last weekend

Cathedral: €3,548 St Paul's: €1,175 Walshstown: €275 Brotenstown: €230

Gainstown: €230

Parish Envelopes: €1,619

Thank You!



On 8th December 1854, Pope Pius IX pronounced and defined that the Blessed Virgin Mary "in the first instance of her conception by a singular privilege and grace granted by God, in view of the merits of Jesus Christ, the Saviour of the human race, was preserved exempt from all stain of original sin."

We celebrate the Feast of the Immaculate Conception on Monday, it is a **Holyday of Obligation** 

## Mass Times on Monday 8th December Cathedral

7.45am & 10am & 7.30pm **St Paul's** 

12 noon

## John the Baptist

On this second Sunday of Advent, we continue our preparations for the coming of Jesus. John the Baptist begins his mission preparing the way for Jesus to come into our lives. John was clearly a man of God, the people admired and



trusted him as a person of holiness and integrity. He taught them, bluntly made them aware of their sinfulness and called on them to "Repent". "Repent" does not mean just being sorry for the past. It is a call for them to do much more than that, to change their ways. To "Repent" in the Gospel involves a radical transformation in our way of living. A real confession helps us removing all the obstacles that get in the way of our meeting Jesus.



Mullingar Choral Society presents 'Christmas Festival' with Mullingar Town Band next Sunday at 7pm in the Cathedral.

St Vincent de Paul is a voluntary organisation working with the poor and disadvantaged. They are involved in a diverse range of activities in our parish, visiting the poor, the sick and those in material need. Next weekend they will hold their church door and house to house collection.

## **Secondary School Confessions**



On Thursday last, the priests celebrated the Sacrament of reconciliation with the pupils of Colaiste Mhuire. Pupils of Loreto College, St Finian's College and the Community College will have the opportunity to celebrate the sacrament this week.

## Friday 12th December

### Feast of St Finian Patron of our Diocese

St Finian studied in Idrone (Co Carlow) and later in Wales. On his return he settled in Clonard, Co. Meath, around 520, where he established a famous school. His pupils, among whom were Canice, Colum Cille and Brendan, were the initiators of the great monastic expansion in Ireland. He died in 549 and is remembered as the tutor of the saints of Ireland.

## Mullingar Goes Purple

Mullingar parish supports the community in its efforts in achieving a purple flag for the town. The parish will welcome adjudicators during the week to the Cathedral.

**The Cathedral Shop** Jubilee Christmas Cards & Jubilee DVD on sale also wreaths and Calendars, Liturgical Diary, St Paul Missal, Catholic diaries, booklets for reflection, cards and cribs.

New 2015 Parish Calendar now available at the back of the churches and the Cathedral Shop.

#### MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

**Monday**: 7.45am: Deceased members of Waters & Callaghan families. 10am: Brendan Griffin.

12 noon: Mary Baker.

**Tuesday:** 7.45am: Annie & Patrick Clarke & son Bobby. 10am: Bernadette & Peter Reilly & James Harney. 9.15am: Joan, Sean & Tony McEntee & Caoimhe Bray.

Wednesday: 7.45am: Fintan Brennan.

10am: Sandra Price. 9.15am: Michael Neelan.

**Thursday:** 7.45am: Seamus Daly. 10am: Cahill family, & Tom, May & Kathleen Martin. 9.15am: Deceased members of Doolin family.

**Friday:** 7.45am: Michael MacCaughey. 10am: Christopher McDonagh. 9.15am: Newcombe family.

**Saturday:** 7.45am: Julia Benentt. 10am: Anniversaries Occurring Mass.

Vigil 6pm: Michael Fagan, Raithin Close (1st Ann)

**Sunday** 8.30am: John Scally, Canal Ave (M.M.) 11am: Kevin Whelan, Auburn Village (1st Ann)

Walshestown: 9am: Padraig Lynn. Brotentown: 10am: Josie Gilbride. Gainstown: 11am: Michael Murphy.

**Remembrance Tree**, Dominick Street, Mullingar Rotary Club in conjunction with North Westmeath Hospice invite you to remember your loved ones.

Walshestown Adoration, Friday 7pm.

**Youth 2000,** Christmas Retreat, 12-14 December, Newbridge College, for details contact 01-6753690.

**EWTN,** programme on Frank Duff founder Legion of Mary this evening at 8pm.

**1428 Club,** Christmas Fare, 11.30pm-2pm.

**St Colman's School,** Christmas Fare, today after 10.30am Mass in the school.

**Gainstown National School,** Christmas Fare, next Sunday, 12noon-4pm.

**Fund Raiser**, in aid of Barrettstown, tonight, 9pm, Annebrook Hotel.

**Retired Nurses Association**, meeting, Greville Arms, Monday, 8.30pm.

Soroptimist Lunch, in aid of North Westmeath Hospice, today, from 12.30pm, Greville Arms Hotel. Mullingar Lions Club, food appeal, Thurs-Sat.

## R.I.P

Paddy Lynagh, Tarmonbarry & Tara Court
John Battle, Ardmore Road
Alan McDonnell, Tyrrellstown
James Corcoran, Newlands & Tullaghan
Agnes O'Malley, Irishtown & Dominick Street