



# PARISH OF MULLINGAR

Cathedral of Christ the King, St Paul's Church,  
Walshestown, Brotenstown, Gainstown

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## Priests of the Parish

Fr Padraig McMahon, Adm.  
Fr Joseph Naikarakudy  
Fr Robert McGivney  
Fr Paul Crosbie  
Fr Luke Ohiemi

## Parish Office Hours

Monday - Friday 9am-5pm  
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## Vigil Mass (Saturday)

Cathedral: 6pm

## Sunday Mass Times

Cathedral: 8.30am, 11am, 12.30pm  
St. Paul's: 10.30am, 12noon  
Walshestown: 9am  
Brotenstown: 10am  
Gainstown: 11am

## Daily Mass this week

7.45 & 10am Cathedral *Mon—Sat*  
9.15am St Paul's, *Mon—Fri*

## Confessions

Saturday 12noon-1pm  
2.30pm-3.30pm

## Eucharistic Adoration

8am-8pm in the Cathedral

## Bereavement Support

087-6309808

## Collections last weekend

Cathedral: €3,737  
St Paul's: €1,228  
Walshestown: €92  
Brotenstown: €167  
Gainstown: €150  
Parish Envelopes €1,833

Thank  
You!

## Statement from the Irish Episcopal Conference

While praising the brave and humanitarian role of our naval service in the Mediterranean – which was again exemplified this week - the Bishops expressed concern that here in Ireland the process of taking refugees seems to have been allowed to slip to the back-burner of politics, notwithstanding the clear desire and willingness of citizens and communities to commit to a culture of welcome. Bishops ask that parishes offer special prayers at Mass during June to express their support and solidarity for the plight facing child, women and men refugees.

Bishops also noted with concern the lack of significant progress regarding the condition of asylum seekers in Direct Provision Centres in Ireland and are encouraged to lobby their politicians in the areas where the Direct Provision Centres are situated.

### A Prayer for Migrants and Refugees

Almighty and merciful God,  
whose Son became a refugee  
and had no place to call his own;  
look with mercy on those who today  
are fleeing from danger,  
homeless and hungry.

Bless those who work to bring them relief;  
inspire generosity and compassion in all our hearts;  
and guide the nations of Europe towards that day  
when all will rejoice in your Kingdom of justice and peace.  
We make our prayer through Christ our Lord, Amen.



### Trócaire—Thank You!

We wish to say thank you to all who have been so generous this year to the parish Trócaire collection. The proceeds of this year's collection was €57,057. Your generosity will help change and improve many lives.

Bishops acknowledged with gratitude the generosity of the lay faithful, priests and religious for their support of the work of the Church's overseas development agency. From April 2015 to April 2016 the Irish public donated €25 million to Trócaire, which included the annual Lenten campaign. This figure represents a 7% increase over the previous twelve months.

**Golden Jubilee** Congratulations to Fr Patrick Keary, P.P. Clara and formerly St Finian's College who is celebrating 50 years of priestly service this year.

### Feast of St Anthony - Monday

St Anthony is a favourite saint and patron of many people. His statue in the Cathedral is regularly visited. We think that the St Anthony statue was transferred from the former parish church to the present Cathedral but if any parishioner has further information we would be delighted to hear about it.

*Saint Anthony, perfect imitator of Jesus, who received from God the special power of restoring lost things, grant that I may find (mention your petition) which has been lost. At least restore to me peace and tranquillity of mind, the loss of which has afflicted me even more than my material loss.*

*To this favour I ask another of you: that I may always remain in possession of the true good that is God. Let me rather lose all things than lose God, my supreme good. Let me never suffer the loss of my greatest treasure, eternal life with God. Amen.*

### The European Championships

began this weekend. Pope Francis gave some advice to Juventus footballers when they called to see him recently. He said - "Be champions in sport, but most of all champions in life! Always exalt what is good and beautiful, and witness to the values that characterize authentic sport; and do not be afraid to profess publicly and to your fans the moral, religious principles to which you aspire in your life."



If you are aware of Irish fans travelling to France, why not let them know about the **Irish College in Paris**? The chaplain is Fr Dwayne Gavin, a priest of the Diocese of Meath. He celebrates Mass in the Irish College every Sunday at 11.30am. The contact email address is [info@irishchaplaincyparis.fr](mailto:info@irishchaplaincyparis.fr).

### Parish Walk to Coolnahay Saturday 2 July (20km)



- ⇒ In aid of Autism Unit, St Mary's Primary School
- ⇒ Departing at 9am from Cathedral grounds
- ⇒ Mass at 11.15am on the banks of the canal
- ⇒ Approximate time of arrival back 2.15pm
- ⇒ Registration Parish Office, €10

**World Youth Day** will take place on 25 - 31 July at Krakow in Poland where St John Paul II served as Archbishop before he was elected Pope in 1978. It is also the resting place of St Faustina, who promoted devotion to the Diving Mercy. Pope Francis will be there to meet young people from all over the world and lead them in prayer and Eucharistic celebration. The theme chosen by the Pope is one of the Beatitudes - *Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.*

**Famine Cemetery** Wednesday 15th June, 7.30pm.  
**Walshestown Cemetery** Sunday 19th June at 3pm.  
**Ballyglass Cemetery** Sunday 31st July at 3pm

**Tax-rebate forms** will be sent in the next week to a number of parishioners. We ask all who receive these forms to complete by signing and then to return the form to the Parish Office. The parish can claim tax back for both PAYE and Self-Assessed taxpayers who contribute €250 to the parish in a given year. Please note no further cost is involved to you. The Finance Committee and the priests of the parish thank all who are so faithful in supporting the parish financially.

Last weekend you contributed **€3,035** towards the costs of hosting the World Meeting of Families in 2018 and possible Papal visit. Very many thanks.

### Mass intentions this week

**Monday:** 7.45am: Edward & Lillie Gilligan & family. 10am: Marie, John & Margaret Byrne; Joseph & Kathleen Gorman & Kevin & Nancy Doherty. 9.15am: Mary Regan.  
**Tuesday:** 7.45am: Carmel Wallace. 10am: Joe, Annie & John O'Brien.  
**Wednesday:** 7.45am: Marie Conway. 10am: Kenny & Whelan family.  
**Thursday:** 7.45am: Nora Gavin. 10am: Thomas Begley & deceased members of Begley family. 9.15am: Michael Newcombe.  
**Friday:** 7.45am: Souls in Purgatory. 10am: Finch family  
**Saturday** 10am Anniversaries Occurring Mass. Vigil 6pm: Michael Rooney, Ardilaun Heights & Slanemore (1st Ann) *Next Sunday* 11am: Dan Flynn, Bellview Heights (1st Ann) St Paul's 10.30am: Bernadette Regan, Clonmore (1st Ann) 12noon: Michael Costello, Great Oaks (1st Ann) Brotenstown 10am: Michael Fagan & Michael Jnr. Gainstown 11am: Michael & Elizabeth Farrell.

**Give Blood;** Monday—Thursday 4.30pm-8pm, Annebrook Hotel.

### Meath Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes

Led by Bishop Michael Smith, 12th-17th September, contact Pilgrimages Abroad at 01-6359300 and 087-1360275

### Pilgrimage to the Holy Land 9-17 August

A few spaces remain on the pilgrimage in August, booking will close in the coming days. If you are interested in travelling please contact the Parish Office at 044 9348338. A meeting for all who intend to travel will be held in early July, more details in the coming weeks.

**Rest in Peace**  
**Mary Kelly, Tudenham**  
**Caroline Aughey, Mullingar & Surrey**