



# Parish of Mullingar

Cathedral, St Paul's, Walshestown,

Brotentown & Gainstown

[www.mullingarparish.ie](http://www.mullingarparish.ie)

## Priests of the Parish:

Fr. Padraig McMahon, Adm.

Fr. Michael Kilmartin

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Fr. Padraig Corcoran

Fr. Michael Cahill

## Parish Office Hours:

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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

Brotentown: 10am

Gainstown: 11am

## Daily Masses:

Cathedral: 7.45 & 10am Mass

## Confessions:

Saturday 2.30 - 3.30pm

& after 6pm Vigil Mass

## Eucharistic Adoration:

Cathedral Daily 8am—8pm

## Baptisms Sundays: 3pm

## Bereavement Support 087 6309808

## COLLECTIONS LAST WEEKEND

Cathedral: €3,896

Thank

St Paul's: €1,279

You!

Walshestown: €184

Brotentown: €179

Gainstown: €176

Sacred Heart: €135

Parish Envelopes: €1,554

## Syria - the suffering of Christians

The Archbishop of Damascus, Mgr Samir Nassar, has seen many refugees come and go in the last few months. Looking into their eyes, he can read the drama now facing the Christians of Syria. Their gaze is "abject, and they do not speak". Or sometimes mutely questioning: "Why me? What have I done? Why my family, my house? Where are my friends, my neighbours, my school, my church, my cemetery?"

In many eyes there is a mixture of appeal and accusation: "I am innocent, why am I being punished and for what? Nobody tried to stop the massacre, nobody helped us..." Sometimes again there is resignation and surrender: "I can do no more; now I am poor and dependent on others. Thank you for all that you have done for me. Thy will be done."

But in the eyes of many, for all the misery of life as refugees, the Archbishop can also see strength of Faith: "The Lord will not abandon me." And he raises his eyes to the crucified Lord in his chapel and asks: "Lord, for over a year now a merciless has been raging. You have sent us Your children, but now we ourselves have nothing left to give. How are we to bear this responsibility?" Various missionaries have promised emergency aid to the Christians in Syria. But it can only be a beginning.

## RTE Mullingar Parish - Broadcasting on TV and Radio this summer

On Sunday 5 August RTE television will broadcast Mass live from St Paul's Church at 11.15am. There will only be one Mass in St Paul's on that Sunday. Thank you to all who are working to make this a special parish celebration. A practice for this Mass will take place on Saturday 4 August from 3pm-6pm. All those who are involved must attend this practice.

RTE Radio 1 will broadcast the evening Mass on the Feast of the Assumption 15 August from the Cathedral.



## Olympic Heros

We send our prayers and best wishes to John Joe Nevin as he prepares for the London Olympics. John Joe has already received great success in his career and he is a credit to his family. Our parish is very proud of John Joe's achievements. Best wishes also to Joe Murray from Killare who is a member of the Irish three day evening team.



**Meath Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes:** led by Bishop Smith, 12-17 September. Fare €699 includes return flights, 5 nights full board, taxes & travel insurance. Contact Pilgrimages Abroad 01-6359300. Special hospital section for sick see notices in church for contact details.

## Meath Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock

led by Bishop Michael Smith will take place on Sunday 12th August. Any youth groups which are interested in travelling please contact Fr Martin Halpin 046-9739015 or [emailballinabrackeyparish@gmail.com](mailto:emailballinabrackeyparish@gmail.com)

## The Knock Summer Festival—28th July

This day is different to any other you will experience with amazing talks, workshops, music, prayer, reflection, loads of time to meet new people and chill out. To book contact Patricia Mc Kenna (086) 0849265 or email: [Knockyouthministry@yahoo.ie](mailto:Knockyouthministry@yahoo.ie)

Traditional **Lough Derg** 3-day pilgrimage season continues until Wednesday 15th August. Further information can be obtained by contacting 071 98 61518 or [www.loughderg.org](http://www.loughderg.org)



Bienvenido a los estudiantes espanoles a Mullingar. Rezar por vosotros para que tengais una buena estancia

**We welcome these children who were baptised last Sunday:** Nicholas Dixon, Ardleigh Vale; James Meehan, Lakepoint Park; Benjamin Carballo, Lakepoint Park; Coby Masterson, Lynn Heights.

## Cemetery Devotions:

Ballyglass, Kilronan, and Marlinstown on Sunday 5 August

## From Bishop Caggiano of Brooklyn USA

Prayer is made easier if you and I can quiet our minds and sit in silence each day. Coming from New York City, the city that never sleeps, silence is not easy for me either. Given the hectic pace of our lives and our ability to communicate electronically every minute of every day, silence can even be frightening. But God needs a place where he can talk to us in our hearts. If we are always busy, always talking, always moving, He will speak but will we be listening? And in order to listen, we need to learn how to be still, to sit in silence and to wait with patience. In this way, we can listen to what God wishes to tell us and the dialogue that God wants with us can move forward. (Reflection at IEC 2012)

**Concert in aid of TEAM** (Temporary Emergency Accommodation Mullingar) Conor Quinn with Friends next Saturday, Greville Arms Hotel, 9pm.

**Annual Memorial Day Service**, Memorial Peace Garden, Ballyglass cemetery next Sunday 2.30pm

**F**r Fernando Ncube is saying the two Masses in St Paul's today. He was ordained in Zimbabwe in 2001. He studies canon law in Rome. He is looking forward to spending the summer months with us.

## Mass Intentions this week

**Monday** (Is 1:10-17. Ps 49. Mt 10:34-11:1)

7.45am: Jack & Maisie Hanrahan.

10am: Lauri Geraghty nee McCabe.

**Tuesday** (Is 7:1-9. Ps 47. Mt 11:20-24)

7.45am: James Higgins. 10am: Patricia & Michael Flynn.

**Wednesday** (Is 10:5-7, 13-16. Ps 93. Mt 11:25-27.)

10am: Eddie McCormack, Sheila Donegan & Mollie O'Grady.

*Wedding Mass Cathedral 2pm*

**Thursday** (Is 26:7-9, 12, 16-19. Ps 101. Mt 11:28-30.)

10am: P.J. Foran. *Wedding Mass Cathedral 2pm*

**Friday** (Is 38:1-6, 21-22, 7-8. Ps Is 38. Mt 12:1-8.)

10am: John & Peg McCormack.

**Saturday** (Mic 2:1-5 Ps 9B. Mt 12:14-21.)

10am: Anniversaries Occurring.

Cathedral 6pm: Myles Hope, Lough Ennell, Lynn (1st Ann)

**Sunday** (Jer 23:1-6. Ps 22. Mk 6:30-34.)

8.30am: Eileen Carey, Tyrrellspass (M.M.)

11am: Lily (1st Ann) & Gerard Daly, Cullionbeg.

St Paul's 10.30am: Kate Collins, Old Longford Rd (M.M.)

12 noon: Kathleen McGahern, Dalton Park (M.M.)

Walshestown 9am: May & Gerry Singleton.

Brotentown: 10am: Ray & Kay Duncan.

**R.I.P.** Ciaran Garry, Newlands, Gus Jones, Ginnell Tce, Paddy McLoughlin, Rathconnell, Rosie Charles, Springfield Cottages, Mary Brigid Nevin, Farran, Patrick O'Sullivan, Bantry, Vincent Heatherson, Essex, William Whyte, Carrick-on-Shannon.