



Mullingar Parish

Cathedral of Christ the King, St Paul's,
Walshestown, Brotenstown & Gainstown
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Easter Sunday

PRIESTS OF THE PARISH

Fr. Phil Gaffney, ADM
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Cathedral Shop Hours

Re-opens on Thursday at 9am

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

10am Mass only in the Cathedral Monday—Saturday.

Sunday Mass Times

Cathedral: Vigil 6pm (Sat)
Cathedral 8.30am, 11am,
12.30pm
St Paul's 10.30 & 12noon
Walshestown 9am
Brotenstown 10am
Gainstown 11am

Confessions Cathedral

Saturday 2pm—3pm.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Cathedral 8am-8pm **Mon—Fri**

Child Safeguarding Representatives Linda Duncan & Maeve Corroon *Contact Parish Office.*

Couple & Relationship Counselling In-Person and Online in Accord

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Alleluia, the Lord has truly risen, Alleluia.

The blessings we receive from the Lord are meant for us to bless others by sharing with them the deeds of the Lord in our lives and the lives of those around us. Likewise, many of the psalms in Scripture proclaim what the Lord has done for the individual and for the people.

This Easter, let us be such witnesses of the Lord's truth, blessing, and salvation to all those around us. We journey with faith, trusting that the Lord will do the rest. Let us be people of the Resurrection, a people filled with hope. The joy of Easter grows in you when you share it with others. May the Lord bless you with Easter peace, joy, and love

Prayer: My Resurrected Lord, the glory to which You have called me is beyond my natural capacity to comprehend. I could never imagine what awaits those who fully, and without reserve, surrender their lives to You and obey every aspect of the Father's will.

Please fill me with a realisation that there is so much more that I do not know. Inflame my soul with a desire to quench that longing to know You more so as to share more fully in the glories of the Resurrection while here on earth and forever in Heaven. Jesus, I trust in You.



We thank all who took part in the Holy Week ceremonies and everyone who helped us get ready for Easter. Thanks to the altar servers, the Ministers of the Word, Ministers of Holy Communion and their co-ordinators, all who arranged flowers, cleaning groups, sacristans, choirs, choir directors and musicians. The work you do is very much appreciated and it is always a pleasure for us to work with you.

Today is an **offering Day** for the support of the Bishop and Priests of the parish. We appreciate your support.

The Parish Office and Shop will reopen on Thursday at 9am.

Easter is the greatest and the most important feast in the Church for four reasons:

1) The Resurrection of Christ is the basis of our Christian Faith. It is the greatest of the miracles, for it proves that Jesus is God. That is why St. Paul writes: *“If Christ has not been raised, then our preaching is in vain; and your Faith is in vain” (I Cor 15:14).*



“Jesus is Lord, He is risen” (Rom 10:9), was the central theme of the *kerygma* (or “preaching”), of the Apostles.

2) Easter is the guarantee of our own resurrection. Jesus assured Martha at the tomb of Lazarus: *“I am the resurrection and the life; whoever believes in me will live even though he dies...” (Jn 11:25-26).*

3) Easter is a feast which gives us hope and encouragement in this world of pain, sorrows, and tears. It reminds us that life is worth living. It also gives us strength to fight against temptations and freedom from unnecessary worries and fears.

4) Easter gives meaning to our prayers: It supports our belief in the Real Presence of the Risen Jesus in and around us, in His Church, in the Blessed Sacrament, and in Heaven, hearing our prayers, and so gives meaning to our personal as well as our communal prayers.

Easter is a yearly invitation to lift our hearts and keep on hoping against hope, contemplating in hope whatever signs of the resurrection we find around us, no matter how small or seemingly insignificant. We each have our own resurrection world opening in, through and around us.

We are witnessing the horrors of war on the people of Gaza and Ukraine, bringing the “doomsday clock” closer to midnight. We see more refugees and migrant peoples on the move than at any point in history, fleeing oppression, persecution, and violence. In the face of these realities, we dare to celebrate Easter and, the hope, wonder and transformation that Jesus will continue to bring into our world, if we let Him! And though it is still night, morning is coming. Hope saves.

In the words of Pope Francis “Along the daily way of the cross, we meet the faces of so many brothers and sisters in difficulty: let us not pass by, let us allow our hearts to be moved with compassion, and let us draw near”.

“We are the Easter people and hallelujah is our song.” - St John Paul II. On behalf of all of us here in the Cathedral we thank you for your prayers and support. May the Risen Jesus fill your hearts and home with many blessings. God bless you all.

Trócaire, Please return your Trocaire boxes next weekend to any of the parish churches or to the parish office.

Mass Intentions 31st March—7th April

*10am Mass only in the Cathedral this week
Monday –Saturday (No 7.45am or 9.15am)*

Easter Sunday 31st March 8.30am: Ricky Donoghue, Cathedral View (1st Ann) 11am: Jimmy Corroon, Curraghmore (1st Ann) 12.30pm Tony Barry, Dublin Road (1st Ann) St Paul’s 10.30am: Breege Donovan, Newbrook Lodge & Clonmore Heights (M.M.) 12noon: Billy McLavin, Cluain Lir & Mullingar (M.M.) Walshestown 9am: Ned & Mary Teresa Gallagher. Gaintown 11am: Paddy Ronan.

Monday 10am: Margaret Hogan, Clonmore (1st Ann)

Tuesday 10am: Brigid Cole.

Wednesday 10am: Joseph Crichton

Thursday 10am: Special Intention

Saturday 10am: Anniversaries Occurring Mass.

Cathedral 6pm Vigil: Mass for Pioneer Association.

Sunday 7th April: 8.30am: Anthony Gilligan,

Multyfarnham (M.M.) 11am: Veronica

McLoughlin, McCurtain Street (1st Ann) 12.30pm:

Nancy (M.M.) & Tom Irwin, O’Growney Drive. St

Paul’s 10.30am: Michael Piggott, Tower View

(M.M.) 12noon: Eugene Burke, Green Road (1st

Ann) Brotenstown 10am: John Garvin. Gainstown

11am: Pauline Walsh nee Smullen, Winetown,

Gaybrook (1st Ann)

National Eucharistic Adoration Pilgrimage to Knock on Sunday 14th April Please ring John

on 0879816158 to enquire or book a seat.

Charismatic Renewal, day of praise and worship, Saturday 13th April, TUS, Athlone for enquiries 087-2206952.

Meath Pilgrimage to Lourdes. The Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes will travel on September 10th and will be led by Bishop Deenihan. All pilgrims will be accommodated in hotels and there are 4, 5 and 6 night options with fares starting at €769 with various hotels available. Further information and booking forms are available from Joe Walsh Tours www.joewalshstours.ie Tel.: 01 2410800.

Italian Pilgrimage Visiting San Giovanni,

Assisi & Padua. Visiting the shrines of St Pio, St Michael the Archangel, St Francis, St Clare & Blessed Carlo Acutis, 7th—15th October, for information contact Mary Briody 087-6336513.

National Pioneer Ball will be held in Annebrook House Hotel, on Saturday 6th April, tickets €40 contact Daisy on 0876544626. Mass will be held at 6pm in the Cathedral.

Rest in Peace

Kathleen Treanor, Austin Friars Street

Mary Lynn, Milltown

Charlie Kavanagh, Dalton Park

Colum Nugent, Coventry

Philomena Maloney, College Hill & Castletown Geoghegan.