

CHARLESTOWN PARISH

NEWSLETTER

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 30TH. JANUARY 2022

SUNDAY MASSES: 9.30 am & 12 noon, Charlestown. 10.30 am., Bushfield
VIGIL MASS 8 pm., Charlestown.

WEEKDAY MASS 10 am. Evening Mass, First Friday only 8 pm., Charlestown.

CONFESSION Saturday after the 10 am Mass & 7.30 to 7.50 pm.

ADORATION Monday 10 am to Friday 11 pm.

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CHARLESTOWN MORNING MASSES

Sunday	30th.	09.30	Personal Intention.
Sunday	30th.	12.00	Margaret O'Donnell, nee Colleary and deceased of the O'Donnell family, Cloonaughill
Monday	31st.	10.00	Personal Intention. <i>St. John Bosco.</i>
Tuesday	1st.	10.00	Personal Intention. <i>St. Brigid, Patron of Ireland.</i>
Wednesday	2nd.	10.00	Personal Intention. <i>The Presentation of the Lord.</i>
Thursday	3rd.	10.00	Personal Intention. <i>St. Blaise.</i>
Friday	4th.	10.00	Personal Intention. <i>First Friday of February.</i>
Saturday	5th.	10.00	Margaret Burke, daughter of Tess Frain, Liverpool, Anniversary Mass.

Sunday	6th.	09.30	Personal Intention.
Sunday	6th.	12.00	People of the Parish.

CHARLESTOWN EVENING MASSES

Saturday	29th.	20.00	Anne Duffy, Killeen, Swinford [1st. Ann.]
Friday	4th.	20.00	Teresa Duffy, Cashel [3rd. Ann.] husband Peter & sons Peter Joseph & John. Rosary will be prayed before the evening Mass starting at 7.30.
Saturday	29th.	20.00	Bobby O'Connell, The Square [21st. Ann.]

ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH, BUSHFIELD

Sunday	30th.	10.30	Personal Intention.
Sunday	6th.	10.30	Personal Intention.

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

(1) Isaiah 6:18 Psalm 137

The Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time [C]

(2) 1 Corinthians 15:3-8 Gospel Luke 5:1-11

FIRST FRIDAY: Friday next is the First Friday of February. Masses at the usual times, 10 am and 8 pm, Charlestown. If you would like either of the priests to visit this week, please let us know or if any one not already on the visiting list but would like a visit, please let us know.

FIRST SATURDAY: The First Saturday devotion for this month takes place in Charlestown Church, 5th. February starting with Rosary at 9.25 followed by Mass at 10 am. Confession after Mass.

NOVENA: The Novena to Our Lady of Lourdes starts on Wednesday 3rd. February and concludes on Friday, the feast day of Our Lady of Lourdes, World Day of Prayer for the Sick. For further information and prayers for the Novena search the Irish Catholic Bishops website. Novena prayers will be available in the church from the 1st. February.

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT: From February 2nd, the weekly **Bereavement Support Group** will resume every Wednesday, 11 am in the Family Centre, Knock. These meetings aim to help those who are grieving to find healing, hope and comfort. All are welcome. Contact Monica Morley 094 9375320

FEASTDAYS FOR THE COMING WEEK

Monday 31st. January: *St. John Bosco* 1815-1858. Ordained a priest in 1841, John's first appointment was to Turin where he began what was to become his lifetime work caring for the educational and spiritual needs of young boys. He founded the Salesian order to carry on this work.

Tuesday 1st. February: *St. Brigid* 454-524. Renowned for her hospitality, almsgiving and care of the sick. Brigid, along with St. Patrick, is acknowledged as Patron of Ireland

Wednesday 2nd. February: *Presentation of the Lord. Candlemas Day.*

On this day, candles will be blessed at the start of the 10 am. Mass. If you would like to have candles blessed for use in your home, please bring them along to the church and place them in the box provided. If you wish to donate candles for use in the church, place them in the box provided. They will be blessed with the others at the start of Mass and kept for use in the church during the year.

Thursday 3rd. February: *St. Blaise:* A third century bishop believed to have been a physician before becoming a cleric. Since the eighth century he has been venerated as patron of those suffering from ailments of the throat. The **individual blessing** of throats will not take place this year.

INVITATION: On Saturday next, 5th. February young people interested in playing music and singing in church are invited to come to Charlestown Church for a short practice, 7 –7.40 pm. The invitation is issued to 5th & 6th class pupils in the parish schools and all secondary school pupils. Hope to see you there.

READING THE BIBLE: Fr. Eugene Duffy will present a series of four sessions on how to read the Bible today. These will look at its formation, the various kinds of literature it contains, the contexts in which the books were written and some of the key figures and events we encounter in them. If you have a Bible please bring it with you on the night.

The venue is the Gateway Hotel, Swinford and the presentations are on **Tuesdays, 15th. & 22nd. February and the 1st. & 8th. March, 8-10 pm each evening.** There is no charge.

Light refreshments will be provided during the break in each session.

THANKS: Last week I received the following e-mail from the Peter McVerry Trust:

Dear Fr. Thomas,

Thank you to everyone at Charlestown Church for your generous donation of €2900:00, which we received on 25/01/2022. Your generosity will ensure even more people experiencing homelessness are supported and enables us to provide homes and brighter futures for those who need our help. In 2021, the Trust worked with over 10,000 people, an increase of 20% on the year before. With your support, we have also helped over 1,300 people and families into their new homes. Thanks to you, even more young people and families can look forward to moving into a home of their own this winter.

Kind regards.

Maureen Hogan, Fundraising Administrator.

ENROLMENT: Tavneena NS is now accepting enrolments for the school year 22/23. Tavneena offers small class sizes, low pupil teacher ratio and spacious well ventilated classrooms. Enrolment forms may be downloaded from the school website www.tavneenans.scoilnet.ie. For further information call 094 9254 910 or email tavneenans@gmail.com

ENROLMENT: Enrolment forms for Cloonlyon NS for the 2022-2023 school year are available from the school office. They may also be downloaded from the school website www.cloonlyonns.ie. If you require an enrolment form or further information please contact the school at 094 9254 932 or 086 3193 124 or email office@cloonlyonns.ie

IRISH ORAL COURSE: There will be a Leaving Cert Irish course in the Hilary Room, Bana-da, **Saturday 5th & Saturday 12th. March, 10.30 am to 1pm.** The course will be delivered by and experienced teacher and examiner. Further information and booking, contact Siobhán on **087 615 1581.**

