

CHARLESTOWN PARISH

NEWSLETTER

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

20TH. MARCH 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	20th.	09.30	Margaret Ginty, Cloonaweema, Month's Mind Mass.
Sunday	20th.	12.00	Special Intention. Peter Rushe, Barnacogue.
Sunday	20th.	13.00	Funeral Mass. Jason Corrigan, Swinford, Carracastle & Charlestown.
Monday	21st.	10.00	JP Lavin, Lurga, Month's Mind Mass.
Monday	21st.	11.00	Funeral Mass. Trevor Corbett, Lowpark, Charlestown.
Tuesday	22nd.	10.00	Personal Intention
Wednesday	23rd	10.00	Personal Intention.
Thursday	24th.	10.00	Jack and Mai O'Donoghue, Church Street,
Friday	25th.	10.00	Personal Intention.
Saturday	26th.	10.00	Personal Intention.
Sunday	27th.	09.30	Personal Intention.
Sunday	27th.	12.00	Laura Cafferty nee Gallagher, Jersey, formerly Kilmovee.

CHARLESTOWN EVENING MASSES

Saturday	19th.	20.00	Personal Intention.
Friday	25th.	20.00	Deceased members of the Sarsfield's GAA Club.
Saturday	26th.	20.00	Patrick Caulfield Snr, wife Delia, Patrick Jnr & remembering Hope Rose

ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH, BUSHFIELD

Sunday	20th.	10.30	People of the Parish.
Sunday	27th.	10.30	Personal Intention.

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

(1) Joshua 5:9, 10-12 Psalm 33 (2) 2 Corinthians 5:7-12 Gospel Luke 15:1-3, 11-32

R. I. P

In your mercy pray for

TREVOR CORBETT, Lowpark, who died **Sunday 13th. March**. Funeral Mass will take place **Monday St. James's Church at 11 am** followed by cremation in Lakelands, Crematorium, Cavan.

JASON CORRIGAN, Swinford, Carracastle & Charlestown, died **Friday 18th. March**. Funeral Mass this **Sunday 20th. March** in **Charlestown Church** followed by burial in the adjoining cemetery.

ALONE:

Would you be willing to provide companionship to an older person locally? Alone are currently seeking volunteers in this area. Full training and support provided. If interested please contact Karen on karen.byrne@alone.ie or on 086 057 6401.

CENSUS 22:

This week **'The Way it is'** on Claremorris Community Radio 94.6 FM will discuss the upcoming Census 22. The census is to be completed on Sunday night, 3rd. April 22. The programme will be broadcast on Monday 21st March, 7pm and Thursday 24th. March at 8 pm.

WEDDING BELLS

Congratulations to

FIONA MCLOUGHLIN, Tavneena

&

CONOR REYNOLDS, Gortletteragh, Leitrim

married on Thursday 17th. March in Charlestown Church.

FEASTDAYS FOR THE COMING WEEK:

Monday 21st. March

St Enda. One of Ireland's early saints died probably around 520.

Thursday 24th. March

St. Macartan. First bishop, and patron, of the diocese of Clogher.

Friday 25th. March

The Annunciation of the Lord.

SYNODAL JOURNEY:

Over the next few weeks, we are invited to think about what it means to be a member of the Church, not just in our own parish but at a national and international level. The Church is the whole family of believers throughout the world. We are the community of the disciples of Jesus. It is good to take stock and see what does that mean for us in today's world.

How is the church making a difference to people's lives and how might make it be better for people?

How is it helping them to get to know God and to show God's love for the world?

We are invited to think about these and similar questions and on the sheets provide in both churches write down our reflections and drop the completed sheets into the offertory boxes in both churches.

Completed sheets will be collected and sent to the Diocesan Office before closing date Friday 8th. April Further information may be found on the diocesan website at achonrydiocese.org

MOTHERS' PRAYERS:

The Mothers' Prayers Annual Weekend will take place in the St. John's Rest and Care Centre, Knock, Friday 25th to Sunday 27th March. You don't have to be a mother to attend. You may come for the whole weekend or part of the weekend. For further information contact 087 6184110 or 091 771009 or email ireland@mothersprayers.org

SPECIAL COLLECTION:

The Irish Bishops have requested that a Special Collection for Ukraine be taken up at all masses next weekend, 26/27 March. This collection is to support humanitarian efforts in Ukraine and especially the families and children who have had to flee their homeland in advance of the Russian invasion. The proceeds of this collection will be directed to Caritas Internationalis, the helping hand of the church in Ukraine and surrounding regions. The bishops appreciate that rising prices here are a real problem for many people so whatever you can give will be greatly appreciated. A dedicated collection box, clearly marked, will be available in both churches.

ANAM CARA MAYO :

Anam Cara Mayo, the organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding a Parent Evening on **Tuesday 22nd March at 7.15 pm** in the T F. Royal Hotel, Castlebar. This event is free and open to all bereaved parents, regardless of the age your child died, the circumstances of their death, or whether their death was recent or not. Anam Cara also offer an online support service. Contacts: telephone 085 2888 or email info@anamcara.ie

SWIMMING POOL:

The AGM for the 2021 season of Charlestown Swimming Pool will take place on **Monday 28th. March at 8 pm** in the Pastoral Centre. All are welcome to attend.

CANA - RETREAT FOR COUPLES

Rediscover the meaning and fun in your marriage, your family life, and your commitment to each other. Experience the seven thematic days of the CANA Week over three weekends through April, May & June. The weekends include talks, testimonies and time to share with each other as a couple and with other couples. Contact details: Brian & Lisa Harmon 041 6851563, 086 8386 or 087 9080023 or email info@canaireland.org or www.canaireland.org

THE CHURCH CHOIR:

We are delighted to welcome back the Choir in Charlestown Church after its forced absence of two years and we are very thankful to all who have returned. The next practice will be on Thursday 24th at 7 pm.