

CHARLESTOWN PARISH

NEWSLETTER

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT 3RD. APRIL 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	3rd.	09.30	John & Mary Meehan, Tavneena.
Sunday	3rd.	12.00	Tom Doherty, Lurga.
Sunday	3rd.	13.30	Funeral Mass. Johnny Gannon, Lurga.
Monday	4th.	10.00	Special Intention.
Tuesday	5th.	10.00	Luke Doherty & deceased of the O'Connor & Doherty families.
Wednesday	6th.	10.00	Personal Intention.
Thursday	7th.	10.00	Personal Intention.
Friday	8th.	10.00	Personal Intention.
Saturday	9th.	10.00	Declan Maloney, Dublin & Charlestown. [2nd. Ann.]
Saturday	9th.	12.00	Teresa Gavaghan, Lavey Manor and Barrack Street.
Sunday	10th.	09.30	Personal Intention.
Sunday	10th.	12.00	Michael A. Doherty, Glann [1st. Ann.]

CHARLESTOWN EVENING MASSES

Saturday	2nd.	20.00	Nora Doherty, Bulcaun [1st. Ann.]
Saturday	9th.	20.00	Personal Intention

ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH, BUSHFIELD

Sunday	3rd.	10.30	People of the Parish.
Sunday	10th.	10.30	Personal Intention.

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

(1) Isaiah 50:4-7 Psalm 21 (2) Philippians 2:6-11 Gospel Luke 22:14-23:56

R. I. P

In your mercy pray for

MICHAEL CORLEY, formerly of **Corthoon**, who died recently in Manchester, a brother of **Mary Margaret Spencer**, nee **Corley**, **Manchester** and the late **Kathleen Coyne** nee **Corley** also of **Manchester**.

JOHNNY GANNON, **Lurga**, who died **Wednesday 30th. March**. Funeral Mass this **Sunday, 3rd. April** in **St. James's Church** followed by burial in the adjoining cemetery.

THE ROSARY:

The Rosary is recited twice daily, Monday to Saturday, 9.30 am and 2 pm and at 6 pm each Sunday in Charlestown Church. All are welcome to join in praying the Rosary.

TRAINING SERVICES: Are you looking for a progression route to college or looking for a job in the Healthcare Sector? Why not get yourself a qualification that allows you to do both with a guaranteed job at the end. The RWN [Roscommon Women's Network] Training Services, Castlerea is now recruiting for all courses in Healthcare, Computers and Retail Skills.

For further information call 094 9621690: Call/Text 087 2718118 or email training@rwn.ie

WEDDING BELLS

Congratulations to

DONNA MORRIS, Lurga
&
KIERAN DURKAN, Lurga

married on Friday 1st. April in St. James's Church, Charlestown.

SYNODAL JOURNEY: You will have noticed over the past few weeks that you are being asked to think about what it is like being a member of the Church today. This is part of the synodal process begun by Pope Francis. Your answers to the questions are important and will be summarized at diocesan level, then forwarded to a national co-ordinating office and eventually will be sent to Rome. The insights from these reflections will inform the Synod Bishops who will meet in Rome, October 2023. Your response is important so you might think of your membership of the church during the week. On the sheets provided in both churches, may we ask you, please, to write down your 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 **this Friday 8th. April**. Further information may be found on the diocesan website at achonrydiocese.org

HOLY WEEK:

Next Sunday, Palm Sunday sees the start of Holy Week 2022. It is heartening to see the gradual return of people to church and I pray that Holy Week and Easter will see lots more return to church. Holy Week and Easter are really important occasions in the church, they highlight the central truths of our faith, the suffering death and resurrection of Jesus, light conquering darkness, life overcoming death.

For all of the ceremonies during Holy Week we need quite a few readers, for Palm Sunday we need twelve Readers, two for Holy Thursday, three for Good Friday and four for Holy Saturday. It would be wonderful and make things so much easier if people volunteered to take part, so, *please*.

THE LIGHT IS ON:

In the Parish Churches in St. Joseph's Cluster of Parishes, **Bohola, Caracastle, Charlestown, Kilmovee, Kiltimagh and Swinford** there will be an opportunity for confession on **Palm Sunday, 10th. April, 6 to 7 pm**. A visiting priest will be in attendance. All are welcome.

THE CHRISM MASS:

This year Bishop Paul is inviting parishioners from every parish in the Diocese to participate in the Chrism Mass at St. Nathy's Cathedral, Ballaghaderreen, Monday 11th. April at 7.30 pm. He would particularly like those who are ministering in parishes such as Readers, Extraordinary Ministers of the Holy Communion, members of Parish Councils, Finance Committees, Sacramental Co-ordinators, Adoration Groups, Altar Societies, Sacristans, Parish Secretaries, all those involved in any way with parish activities to be present for this occasion. At this Mass the bishop blesses the oils to be used at the sacraments throughout the year. Priests also renew their commitment to service. Following the Mass, refreshments will be available in St. Nathy's College. This is an occasion to celebrate the unity of the people and priests of the diocese with the bishop. We look forward to a large attendance at this celebration.

SPECIAL COLLECTION:

Sincere thanks for your generous response to the Special Collection for Ukraine taken up last week-end. As donations are still coming in, I will leave the publication of the amount received until the newsletter of next week. Please continue your prayers for an end to the war there and the wars in other areas of the world.

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

MAYO CANCER SUPPORT: Mayo Cancer Support are seeking participants for the West of Ireland Women's Mini Marathon, 1st May. For more information please contact 094 9038407.