

# CHARLESTOWN PARISH

## NEWSLETTER

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER (DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY) 24TH. 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	24th.	09.30	Maureen Mulligan, Bracklagh.
Sunday	24th.	12.00	Mary Kate & Tom Peter Horkan, son Eddie & granddaughter Bernadette.
Monday	25th.	10.00	Luke Cassidy, Glann.
Tuesday	26th.	10.00	Personal Intention.
Wednesday	27th.	10.00	Personal Intention.
Thursday	28th.	10.00	Personal Intention.
Friday	29th.	10.00	People of the Parish.
Saturday	30th.	10.00	Michael Lyons.
Saturday	30th.	12.00	Philomena Honeyman, Barrack Street [First Ann.]
Sunday	1st.	09.30	Kevin Gallagher, Lurga, Month's Mind Mass.
Sunday	1st.	12.00	John Groarke, Bellaghy [7th. Ann.]

### CHARLESTOWN EVENING MASSES

Saturday	23rd.	20.00	Tom & Bridie Cronolly, Ballyglass.
Saturday	30th.	20.00	Kathleen Maye, Hagfield.

### ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH, BUSHFIELD

Sunday	24th.	10.30	Paddy Harrington, Bushfield and brother Mike, Philadelphia.
Sunday	1st.	10.30	Personal Intention.

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY Third Sunday of Easter [C]  
(1) Acts 5:27-32, 40-41 Psalm 29 (2) Revelation 5:11-14 Gospel John 21:1-19

R. I. P In your mercy pray for  
MAUREEN JONES, who died recently in Manchester. Maureen was a sister of Frank Killilea, Sonnagh.

### FEASTDAYS FOR THE COMING WEEK:

Friday 29th. April. *St Catherine.* 1347-80, remembered as a mystic and reformer of religious life. Proclaimed a Doctor of the Church in 1970 and Patron of Europe in 2000.

Saturday 30th. April *St. Pius V.* 1504-72. Elected Pope in 1565. He implemented the reforms of the Council of Trent including the Breviary, Missal and Catechism.

PILGRIMAGE: The Achonry diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock takes place on Sunday 15th. May. Anointing of the Sick, 2.30pm. Concelebrated Mass 3pm followed by Rosary Procession. We will be joined, for this pilgrimage, with the diocese of Clonfert and Galway

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.

**DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY:** Divine Mercy Sunday was formally established as a feast of the universal church by Pope John Paul II in the year 2000. It is to be celebrated on the Second Sunday after Easter. The Pope's decision to establish the feast on this particular Sunday is in response to the words of the Lord Jesus revealed to Sr. Faustina and found in her diary, '*It is my desire that the Feast of Mercy be solemnly celebrated on the First Sunday after Easter.*' [Diary of Sr. Faustina parg. 699]

This is not a new feast that conflicts with Easter, but the renewal of an ancient feast of the Church, that celebrates Christ rising from the dead and thereby bringing everlasting life to mankind, which is Divine Mercy. The feast of Mercy emerges from the very depths of the tenderness of the Lord.

Our Lord Jesus says to Sr. Faustina '*Tell the whole world about my inconceivable mercy. I desire that the Feast of Mercy be a refuge and a shelter for all souls, and especially for poor sinners. On that day the very depths of My tender mercy are open. I pour out a whole ocean of graces upon those souls who approach the fount of My Mercy.*' [Diary of Sr. Faustina parg. 699]

At the 10.30 am Mass in Bushfield and the 12 noon Mass in Charlestown the image of the Divine Mercy will be blessed and people will have an opportunity to venerate the image then and for the remainder of the day both churches.

### A WORD FROM BISHOP PAUL

As part of our engagement with the Synodal Pathway, initiated by Pope Francis, I am holding a number of facilitated listening events in four venues across the diocese over the next few weeks. These meetings will be an opportunity for all of us together to reflect on our Church, to look at what is helping us to grow as communities of faith and to see where we can better support one another in our faith journey. The forthcoming meetings provide an opportunity for us to hear one another in an open way. The meetings are open to all who wish to share their views on the Church, and I would welcome especially those who may feel alienated or who have felt let down by the Church in the past. It is by listening to one another and being in conversation that we can best discover where God is leading us at this time. Feel free to come to the venue which is most convenient for you. Times and Venues are as follows:

Fr. Peyton Cluster: **Tuesday, April 26th April, 8 pm** in the Fr. Peyton Centre, Attymass.

St. Attracta's Cluster: **Wednesday 27th. April, 8 pm** in the Sligo Enterprise Centre, Tubberurry.

St. Joseph's Cluster: **Tuesday 3rd. May, 8 pm** in the Gateway Hotel, Swinford.

Tubbercurry Cluster: **Wednesday 4th. May, 8pm** in the Parish Hall, Ballisodare.

The parish of Charlestown together with the parishes of Bohola, Carracastle, Kilmovee, Kiltimagh and Swinford make up the St. Joseph's Cluster.

**TRAINING SERVICES:** Are you looking for an alternate route to college or looking for a job in the Healthcare Sector? Why not get a qualification that allows you to do both with a guaranteed job at the end. The RWN (Roscommon Women's Network) Training Services, Castlereagh 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](mailto:training@rwn.ie)

**HELP FOR THE BLIND:** The Xavier Society for the Blind in New York have spiritual books in braille, large print and audio and are willing to pass any of these to those who may want them. They also do the Sunday Missalettes. If you would like further information, this society may be contacted by email at [xaviersocietyfortheblind.org](mailto:xaviersocietyfortheblind.org) or by telephone at 212 502 7607 (prefix 001 from Ireland) or by letter to Xavier Society for the Blind, 248 West 35th. Street, Suite 1502, New York, NY 10001.

**WESTERN CARE:** Western Care are seeking suitable applicants for the role of social care assistant to support a young man with autism to enjoy a full and meaningful life while living at home. If you are interested, please contact the HR Department at [hr@westercare.com](mailto:hr@westercare.com) for further details.

**PRE-SCHOOL:** Plans are in place for opening a Pre-School, with the first two years free, in Tavneena NS, 5th. September 2022.

Contact Michelle at 087 2421044 or email [tavneenapreschool@gmail.com](mailto:tavneenapreschool@gmail.com)

**MAYO CANCER SUPPORT:** Mayo Cancer Support are seeking participants for the West of Ireland Women's Mini Marathon, taking place 1st May, to help raise vital funds for local cancer support services. For more information please contact 094 9038407.