

CHARLESTOWN PARISH

NEWSLETTER

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 17TH. JULY 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	17th.	09.30	Personal Intention.
Sunday	17th.	12.00	Thanksgiving Mass.
Monday	18th.	10.00	Special Intention.
Tuesday	19th.	10.00	Personal Intention.
Wednesday	20th.	10.00	Personal Intention.
Thursday	21st.	10.00	Jim McIntyre, Sonnagh and deceased of the McIntyre & Sullivan families.
Friday	22nd.	10.00	Personal Intention. <i>St. Mary Magdalene</i>
Saturday	23rd.	10.00	Mary Kenny, Lurga [1st. Ann.] <i>St. Bridget of Sweden</i>
Sunday	24th.	09.30	Personal Intention.
Sunday	24th.	12.00	Eileen Vesey, Church Street, Month's Mind Mass.

CHARLESTOWN EVENING MASSES

Saturday	16th.	20.00	Alfie Keane, Lurga. Tom Morrisroe, and extended deceased family members.
Saturday	23rd.	20.00	Personal Intention.

ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH, BUSHFIELD

Sunday	17th.	10.30	People of the Parish.
Sunday	24th.	10.30	Personal Intention.

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

(1) Genesis 18:20-32 Psalm 137 (2) Colossians 2:12-14 Gospel Luke 11:1-13

WELCOME TO THE TABLE: The Achonry diocesan Youth Gathering takes place this Sunday 17th. July in St. Nathy's College at 5 pm. It will be a time to celebrate faith and life with other young people in a welcoming and joyful atmosphere.

For further information, please log on to the Achonry Diocesan website at achonrydiocese.org

YOUTH 2000: The Youth 2000 Summer Festival of Faith, Thursday 11th to Sunday 14th. August. Venue is Clongowes Wood College., Co. Kildare. Contact www.youth2000.ie

THE HOLY SOULS: An afternoon of prayer for the Holy Souls will take place in Knock on Saturday 23rd. July. 2 pm, Stations of the Cross & Rosary. Mass 3pm. Contact: Marie 087 6184110.

THANKS FROM CONCERN: A sincere thank you for your contributions to Concern's recent Church Gate collection take up in the parish on the 18/19 June realising €365 for the organisation.

REEK SUNDAY: The Annual Reek Sunday Pilgrimage takes place Sunday 31st. July at Croagh Patrick. Confession on the summit from 7.30 am to 2 pm. Mass hourly 8 am to 2 pm.

FEASTDAYS FOR THE COMING WEEK:

Friday 15th. July. *St. Mary Magdalene.* Mary Magdalene, a follower of Jesus, together with two other women were the first to discover the empty tomb, and she was the first to meet the risen Jesus. There is no definitive evidence to identify this Mary with the 'woman who was a sinner' who anointed the feet of Jesus [Luke 7:37] or with Mary, the sister of Lazarus who also anointed him.

Saturday 16th. July. *St. Bridget of Sweden.* Bridget was born in Sweden in 1303. She was married to Ulf, a Swedish nobleman, and they had eight children. After the death of her husband in 1344 she dedicated her life to prayer. Later she founded the Bridgettine Order. In 1350 she travelled to Rome and dedicated the remaining years of her life to caring for the poor and the sick. She died in Rome in 1373. In the year 2000, Pope John Paul II declared her a Patron of Europe.

THANKSGIVING MASS: The 12 o'clock Mass this Sunday is being offered as a prayerful 'thank you' for all those who attended and were involved in any way in the Jubilee Celebrations marking my fifty years in the priesthood. I want to thank the various organisations in the parish for their involvement and generosity, the many sponsors who so willingly helped, individuals who baked and supplied the treats and other edibles, those involved in the preparatory meetings, the preparations themselves, organising the church, the centre and all that involved. To those who were there on the night working within the centre and outside with car parking and other matters, a sincere thank you. Thanks to the teachers and staff of our schools and the pupils for their art-work, now bound in three volumes and available for viewing in the church. Thanks to the CBD Complex for the use of the centre, it was great to have such a fine venue for the occasion. A sincere and heartfelt thank you to all involved in any way. Thanks to all who offered words of congratulation, good wishes, prayers and blessings either in person or by card, letter, email or otherwise, thank you for making that effort. Please accept these words and today's Mass as my acknowledgment and appreciation of your kindness, thoughtfulness and support.

I deeply appreciate all you have done not just in the past number of weeks but during my time here in Charlestown and today's Mass is a prayer of thanks for all you have done and a prayer for God's blessings on all of you.

Thanks again for everything and I extend my words of appreciation to all. I do hope I have not left anyone out, that's far from my intention. God bless all of you and thanks again for making my Jubilee such a very special occasion.

PILGRIMAGE: The Adult Studies in the Catechism of the catholic Church pilgrimage to Knock takes place on Saturday, 30 July 2022 with the theme "*The Catechism of the Catholic Church: A Pearl of Great Price left on the Shelf*". Fr. John Harris OP, Prior Provincial of the Irish Dominicans, will be the principal celebrant of Holy Mass at 3pm on the day. He will also lead a workshop in St. John's Rest and Care Centre at 11:30am. For more information see www.catechism.ie

CEMETERY MASSES: Sunday 7th. August, 10.30 am, Bushfield Cemetery
Sunday 14th. August, 12 noon, Charlestown., Sunday 21st. August 3 pm, Tample Cemetery

Carracastle Cemetery Mass, Sunday 31st July. 11.30 am. [August Bank Holiday week-end]

THE PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL: As normally happens about half way through the term of a Pastoral Council, a number of members have an option of withdrawing from the Council and so allow new members to take their place. At the moment we need seven new members. At a Parish Pastoral Council 'Open' Meeting held on Monday 23rd., a number of people indicated their willingness to serve on the Council. If anyone not at that meeting would like to put their name forward I would be glad to hear from them on or before Sunday, 31st. July. From the list of those volunteers each parishioner will be asked to select candidates to fill the vacancies. That voting will take place, please God, Sat./Sun, 20/21 August.

THE KNOCKNASHEE RUN: The Knocknashee Run in memory of Vinny Healy will take place on Sunday 24th July starting at and returning to the Mullinabreena Community Hub, Lavagh, Ballymote. **Registration from 11 am.** All bikes, tractors, vintage cars welcome. Refreshments before and after the Run. Raffle on return. Proceeds to SHOUT and the maintenance of local Defibrillators
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