An opportunity to go to the Sacrament of confession will take place after all the Masses & Ceremonies during holy week.

On Holy Saturday in Ballivor from 12 noon

Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament this week will be from 12 noon - 2 pm in St Columbanus' church. The church organ is being tuned after morning Mass

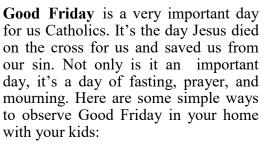


A Talk and Reflection for current and new Special Ministers of Holy Communion will take place on Thursday 20th April in St Columbanus Church at 7.30pm Speaker: Fr Derek Darby



Meath Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock: will take place on

13th August accompanied by the Diocesan Choir. Further information to follow at later date.



- Fasting! One main meal and two small ones. Catholics do not eat meat on Good Friday. This is required for all Catholics, if you're in good health. Encourage your kids to skip snacks and any other frivolous eating throughout the day.
- Keep fun activities to a minimum. We know that the world wants to throw Easter parties etc on a Good Friday, but it's just not the time for fun and celebration. Look at the Cross! It is only one day a year! Sunday is coming.
- Eat hot cross buns for one meal. Legend says there was a priest in 1361 A.D. that gave out hot cross buns to the poor on Good Friday morning, and the tradition was born.
- Read the passion story from the Bible.
- Bring the children to the church and do the Stations of the Cross or Veneration of the Cross at 7pm
- Go to Confession. Catholics must go at least once a year!



Mass intentions for the week ahead...

Sat 6pm Sat 7pm Sun 10am Sun 11.30am	Sp Int - for the Celebrant's intentions Kathleen Rafferty & decs family Missa Pro Populo Denis McClair	The Parish Office is open Tues, Wed, Fri 9am - 3pm
Mon 10am	Sp Int - for the Celebrant's intentions	
Tues 10am	Fr Gaffney & Fr Fox (Adoration begins at 12 noon today)	
Thurs 7pmMass of The Lord's Supper in St Dympna'sFri 3pmThe Passion in St Columbanus'*Fri 7pmStations & Veneration of the Cross in St Dympna's**On Good Friday please bring your rosary beads or a small cross for veneration.Sat 8pmSolemn Easter Vigil of the Lord's Resurrection in St Columbanus'		
Sun 10am Sun 11.30am	Easter Sunday Mass for the people of the parish in St Dympna's Easter Sunday Mass for the people of the parish in St Columbanus'	

The Chrism Mass - Mullingar - All are Welcome The Bishop will celebrate the Chrism Mass in the Cathedral on Wednesday 5th April at 7pm. Refreshments will be available afterwards in the Parish Community Centre for parishioners who have travelled

ST COLUMBANUS' CHURCH

Ministers of the Word

Sat 1st: P. Farrell & J. Corrigan Sun 2nd: M. McNally & J. McClelland Sat 8th: G. Dempsey & J. Connor Sun 9th: S. McNally & M. Hoey

Special Ministers

Sat 1st: A. Corrigan Sun 2nd: C. McLaughlin Sat 8th: B. Kelly Sun 9th: Tom Murray

Collections

Offertory: €591 Dev Fund: €375

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ST DYMPNA'S CHURCH

Ministers of the Word

Sat 1st: C. Corrigan & M. Kelly Sun 2nd: A. Kumorek & R. McMahon Sun 9th: M. Hayes & D. Ainsworth

Special Ministers

Sat 1st: T. Fox Sun 2nd: A. Davis Sun 9th: A. Potterton

Collections Offertory: €325 Dev Fund: €435