

Diocesan Conference for Priest

Last week, priests from the 69 parishes of our Diocese assembled in Cavan to begin a process of reflection on the future of priestly ministry and pastoral life in parishes in the Diocese of Meath. During this assembly, new models of parish life, possible collaborations among parishes, the provision of sacraments, personnel and resources, faith formation and the welfare of priests were considered in the context of the mission of the Church and the desire to sustain vibrant faith communities.

The establishment and supporting of Parish Pastoral Assemblies was deemed a necessary structure in every parish. It was also agreed that there would have to be consultation and engagement with local Pastoral Assemblies before any developments occur.

While there are no simple solutions to these issues, parishes are encouraged to commend this work to their prayers as the Diocese, the Diocesan Pastoral Assembly and the various Parish Pastoral Assemblies consider the next steps in the process.

Parish Pastoral Assembly

Following on from the meeting of diocesan priests, we need to begin the process of setting up a Parish Pastoral Assembly (formerly known as Parish Pastoral Council)

The Assembly will have about **12 people from both Ballivor & Kildalkey**. The pathway chosen for membership of the Pastoral Assembly is one of self nomination or nomination of another person (with their permission.) Membership will be for **4years**.

All parishes in the diocese will have a Pastoral Assembly and receive training & support. Please contact Fr Ciarán if you wish to nominate yourself or another person for the Assembly. Fr Ciarán can be contacted directly by email:

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Christmas Ceremonies 2023

As Christmas Eve falls on a Sunday this year, there will be a slight change to Mass Times

Christmas Eve Masses
7.00pm St Dymphna's
11pm St Columbanus' Televised Mass

Christmas Day
10am St Dymphna's
11.30am St Columbanus'

St Stephen's Day
10am St Columbanus'

Confessions

In preparation for Christmas, Fr Ciarán will hear confessions after the 11.30am Mass in Ballivor on Sunday 3rd, 10th and 17th of December.

Mass for the 4th Sunday of Advent (Dec 24th) will be as normal at 10am in Kildalkey and 11.30am in Ballivor

Baptisms - Saturdays 2pm.

1st Sat of the month in St. Columbanus'
2nd Sat of the month in St. Dymphna's
Please contact the parish office at

bkparishoffice@gmail.com

for available dates.



The 2024 Pioneer calendar is available from our church sacristies and Pioneer centres. The calendar is designed to offer spiritual support to families which are being impacted by alcohol and addiction. The calendar is priced at €5. Further information from

www.pioneerassociation.org/calendar.

St Vincent De Paul Annual church gate collection Weekend of the 9th & 10th Dec

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Ballivor & Kildalkey Parish

Sunday 26th November 2023

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Mass intentions for the week ahead...

Sat 6pm(K) MM: John D Flynn.
Mary Canty. Edith McMahon & decs family
Nancy McMahon

Sat 7pm(B) MM Bill Corrigan. Jean Monaghan

Sun 10am(K) Mattie Reilly & decs family.

Sun 11.30am(B) Dan & Maureen Prendergast

Mon 10am(K) Jack & Mary McNally. Mass followed by Adoration.

Tues 10am(B) **First Friday Mass for all on the Parish List of the Dead.**

Fri 10am(B) Seán McAuley. Kate & Tess Kelly. Michael Ledwith & decs family.

Sat 6pm(K) Mickey Dempsey

Sat 7pm(B) **1st Anniv: Anne Daly**

Sun 10am(K) Dec members of the Woulfe & Heagney Family

Sun 11.30am(B)



Fr Ciarán will visit the sick & housebound in Ballivor & Kildalkey on Friday 1st December



Ballivor & Kildalkey Parish Christmas Novena

Beginning on Saturday 16th until 24th of December a Novena of 9 Masses will be offered for all those who are sent our Parish Christmas Cards. Cards will be available from Monday 26th November from the parish Office on Tues, Wed & Fri and both church sacristies after all Masses (Pack of 8 cards cost €10) **Keep Christ in Christmas this year!**

St Columbanus' Church

Ministers of the Word

Sat 25th: Dymphna Dickinson
Sun 26th: John Farrell
Sat 2nd: John Corrigan
Sun 3rd: Marian Hoey

Ministers of the Eucharist

Sat 25th: Seanie Faulkner
Sun 26th: Tom Murray
Sat 2nd: Ann Corrigan
Sun 3rd: Betty McKeown

Music ministry in our parish:



*Teresa Carley
Sr Ciarán Egan
Ballivor*

*&
Ruth McMahon
Kildalkey*

Thank you!

St Dymphna's Church

Ministers of the Word

Sat 25th: Ed McMahon
Sun 26th: Marie Hayes
Sat 2nd: Christina O'Neill
Sun 3rd: Agata Kumorek

Ministers of the Eucharist

Sat 25th: Radek Kumorek
Sun 26th: Debbie Connor
Sat 2nd: Christina O'Neill
Sun 3rd: Anna May Potterton