

## Week of Prayer for Christian Unity takes 18th - 25th January 2024

The theme for this year is 'Go and do likewise' which is based on the parable of the Good Samaritan. For more information see: [www.ctbi.org.uk/weekofprayer](http://www.ctbi.org.uk/weekofprayer)

## Sunday 21st January 2024 - Word of God Sunday

Pope Francis established that this Sunday, Third Sunday in Ordinary Time is to be the Sunday of the Word of God in his Apostolic Letter 'Aperuit illis' of 30 September 2019. Pope Francis impresses on us that the relationship between the Risen Lord, a community of believers, and sacred Scripture is essential to who we are as Christians. The Scriptures are the written tradition of God's revelation to his people. **Bibles** will be blessed during Mass this Saturday/Sunday, 20th/21st January to remind us about the importance of the Word of God in our lives.

The children of our parish who are preparing for First Holy Communion and Confirmation were invited through the schools to do some project work and present it for this Word of God Sunday.

## Catholic Schools Week 21st - 27th January 2024

The theme is 'Communities of Service'. Catholic schools study and look to Jesus as a role model and Teacher. Jesus put faith into action by showing all those around him how our Heavenly Father is compassionate, courageous and forgiving. He didn't just talk about His faith; He lived it. We are called by faith to go into the world to share the love of God with all those we meet. Each person, at every age, is called to become Christ for another by serving every person with humble hearts and generous spirits.

## Diaconate Ordination

We pray for Anthony Kerr who will be ordained Deacon by Bishop Tom Deenihan this Sunday 21st January for our diocese. He will be ordained in St Mary's Church, Drogheda. Anthony is from the Parish of Navan. We pray that Anthony's service at the altar of God will be a ministry of joy, fulfillment and hope.

We thank God that he has followed the Lord in answering his call.

Anthony will be ordained to the Priesthood for our diocese in due course.

Information on vocations in the Diocese of Meath can be found from:

- Website: [www.meathvocations.com](http://www.meathvocations.com)

- Instagram Account: [diocesefmeathvocations](https://www.instagram.com/diocesefmeathvocations)

- Facebook Page: [DioceseOfMeathVocation](https://www.facebook.com/DioceseOfMeathVocation)

- Vocations Director Fr Tony Gonoude by Telephone 044 9373923.

## Diocesan Director of Faith Development - Job Vacancy

The Diocese is seeking to recruit for the role of Director of Faith Development in the Diocese of Meath. It is an exciting and challenging opportunity in the life and mission of the Diocese. The post holder will be required to lead and work under their own initiative as well as work as part of a team to develop and implement new approaches, resources and programmes to adult faith formation, sacramental preparation, and evangelisation in parishes across the diocese. The terms are based on a 5-year Fixed Term Contract, working 35 hrs per week, work pattern to be agreed. **Salary** will be considered within the range of €40,000-€42,500 gross per annum – commensurate upon experience & qualifications. Full details relating to the vacancy can be found on the Diocesan Website at: [www.diocesefmeath.ie](http://www.diocesefmeath.ie) clicking on the tab **job vacancy** where terms, conditions & application form relating to the role can also be accessed. **Closing date 5pm on Fri 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2024.**

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## Ballivor & Kildalkey Parish

Sunday 21st January 2024  
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046 9546488  
Fr Ciarán Clarke C.C.



## Mass intentions for the week ahead...

Sat 6pm(K)	1st Anniv: Edward Dunne, parents James & Mary & decs family
Sat 7pm(B)	1st Anniv: Bertie Cunningham. Ann McKeown
Sun 10am(K)	Mary & Bernard Murtagh, decs family neighbours & friends
Sun 11.30am(B)	M.J. McGearty.
Mon 10am(K)	Mickey Harmon - birthday remembrance
Tues 10am(B)	James & Sarah-Jane Flanagan. Followed by Adoration until 2pm
Fri 10am (B)	Mass Card Intention
Sat 6pm(K)	Decs members of the Fox family Corballis
Sat 7pm(B)	MM: Seamus Henry. Jimmy Bagnall & decs family
Sun 10am(K)	Tom & Dody Potterton
Sun 11.30am(B)	Mary-Jo Doherty & Linda Kelly



### Please pray for ...

**Terry Ainsworth** Glasnevin, father of Dermot Ainsworth, Kildalkey who died recently.  
**Chrissie Maguire** (nee Harte) Kilmessan & formerly of Kildalkey funeral last Wednesday



**Baptisms** - take place two **Saturdays** every month at **2pm**  
Please contact [bkparishoffice@gmail.com](mailto:bkparishoffice@gmail.com) for available

*Signed Mass cards are available from sacristies after all Masses*



**First Confession at 7pm**  
Kildalkey on **Mon 26th** & Ballivor on **Tues 27th Feb.**




**Confirmation Fri 12th April at 3pm**  
in St Patrick's Church, Trim.



**First Holy Communion at 11am**  
Kildalkey on **Sat 11th May** & Ballivor on **Sat 18th May**

## Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament

in St Columbanus' after 10am Mass on Tuesdays until 2pm.  
All welcome. 

## St Columbanus' Church

### Ministers of the Word

Sat 20th: Kevin McKeon  
Sun 21st: John Farrell  
Sat 27th: John Corrigan  
Sun 28th: Marian Hoey

### Ministers of the Eucharist

Sat 20th: Diane O'Connor  
Sun 21st: Brendan McKeon  
Sat 27th: Ann Corrigan  
Sun 28th: Emily McKeon

### Music ministry

#### in our parish:



Teresa Carley  
Sr Ciarán Egan  
Ballivor

&  
Ruth McMahan  
Kildalkey

Thank you!

## St Dympna's Church

### Ministers of the Word

Sat 20th: Ed McMahan  
Sun 21st: Marie Hayes  
Sat 27th: Christina O'Neill  
Sun 28th: Debbie Connor

### Ministers of the Eucharist

Sat 20th: Noreen McAuley  
Sun 21st: Teresa Potterton  
Sat 27th: Teresa Fox  
Sun 28th: Ann Davis