

## WEEKEND MASSES

ARDCATH: 6:30PM (SAT VIGIL)

CLONALVY: 10.00AM (SUNDAY)

CURRAHA: 11:30AM (SUNDAY)

CURATE: FR. KEVIN HEERY CC



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# PARISH NEWSLETTER

3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT 20<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2022

Sun 27 <sup>th</sup> March	<u>MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST</u>	<u>MINISTERS OF THE WORD</u>
Ardcath 6.30pm	Eithne O'Sullivan	Paula Allison & Catriona Corry
Clonalvy 10.00am	Patricia Harford	Catherine Campbell
Curraha 11.30am	Gerard O'Connor	Margaret Nugent

### 20<sup>th</sup> March Third Sunday in Lent

Vigil Ardcath	6.30pm
Sunday Clonalvy	10.00am
Sunday Curraha	11.30am

People of the Parish  
A.V. Nancy & PJ Andrews & Mary Andrews  
A.V. Chris Hamilton  
Special Intention  
A.V. Tommy Stanners

Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> Curraha	7.30pm
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> Clonalvy	9.30am
Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> Curraha	9.30am
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> Ardcath	9.30am

Angie Keogh  
King Family  
Private Intention  
Solemnity of the Annunciation of the B.V.M.

### 27<sup>th</sup> March Fourth Sunday of Lent

Vigil Ardcath	6.30pm
Sunday Clonalvy	10.00am
Sunday Curraha	11.30am

A.V. Charlie Moore  
A.V. Jack, Mary & Imelda Andrews & DFM  
A.V. Kit Johnson & DFM  
A.V. Paddy McDermott  
A.V. James & Kathleen McCann

## Deanery Synod Meetings

Parish Hall, Ashbourne

Meeting 2: Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> March 8:00pm

Holy Mass will be offered on the final Tuesday, 29<sup>th</sup> March 8:00pm to conclude the Synodal Meetings for the Deanery.

More Information: [www.dioceseofmeath.ie](http://www.dioceseofmeath.ie)

All Invited and Welcome



- Please contact the Parish office for enquiries for the sacrament of Baptism. Baptism Preparation Course will recommence soon.
- New Parish Envelopes will be delivered in the coming days.

## Special Collection in Support of Ukrainian Refugees

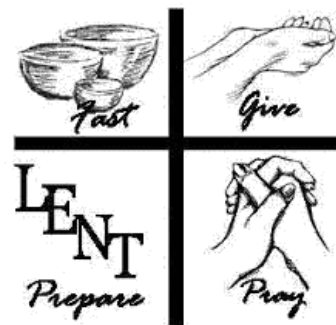


Over the last 4 weeks, we have watched with a sense of shock and revulsion as the horrors of the war in Ukraine unfolded before us. Despite the inhuman and morally reprehensible destruction of life and society in Ukraine, we have also witnessed extraordinary scenes of goodness, charity and human solidarity to people in need; in sharing food, clothing and hospitality. Lent is always a time in which the Christian virtue of generosity is particularly in focus, and this Lent, an appeal is being made to support the work of organisations working with refugees coming in from Ukraine. The Diocese of Meath will work in collaboration with the Diocese of Iasi near the border of Ukraine and Romania, with whom we share a strong bond of fraternity. Three Priests from the diocese of Iasi are working in our diocese at the moment.

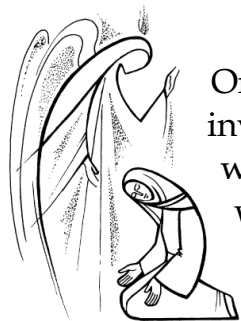
**An envelope marked "Ukraine Refugee Special Collection 2022" will be available to collect from the churches this weekend (19<sup>th</sup>/20<sup>th</sup>) and returned next weekend (26<sup>th</sup>/27<sup>th</sup>) or anytime during the week to the Sacristy or Parish Office.**

### Lent 2022

With the celebration of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Lent, we move closer to the mid-point of Lent. We witness Jesus challenging his hearers to see in the Parable of the Unproductive Fig Tree their own lack of response to the Gospel. Lent is a great opportunity to go deeper in faith by embracing the challenge that it sets before us through the disciplines of **Fasting, Prayer and Charity/Almsgiving**



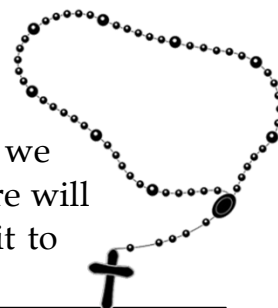
### 25th March: The Solemnity of the Annunciation



On Friday, we will mark that great moment that the Angel Gabriel appeared to Mary, inviting her to become the Mother of God. Mary's reply serves as the model for all who wish to be a disciple of Christ "May it be down unto to me according to thy word".

#### **Consecration of Russia and Ukraine to the Immaculate Heart of Mary on Friday, 25<sup>th</sup> March 2022**

On Friday, 25<sup>th</sup> March the Holy Father, Pope Francis will renew the consecration of Russia and Ukraine to the Immaculate Heart of Mary, and has asked that the Faithful around the world unite themselves in this moment of prayer. After the 9:30am Mass in the church dedicated to our Blessed Mother in Ardcath on Friday we will pray the Rosary for this intention, while at 6pm in St Andrew's Curraha there will be a Holy Hour of Adoration with Rosary to pray for peace. If you can't make it to either, please pray a Rosary sometime that day. Our Lady of peace, pray for us.



**Ardcath Altar Society:** Meeting on Tuesday the 22<sup>nd</sup> of March at 7pm in the Sacristy of St Mary's Church.

**Curraha Pride of Place** -Now that a lot of hedges around the area have been cut, it's an ideal time to get out doing some litter picking. The plan is to start Sat 26<sup>th</sup> and to do every 2<sup>nd</sup> weekend until the end of April. People can concentrate on their own area and drop bags up to the Church Car Park for collection by Meath County Council. All help greatly appreciated. Deirdre [0868868917](tel:0868868917)