

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

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SUNDAY 28TH JANUARY 2024



Please pray for the soul of: Des Caffrey, Ardcah and Catherine Durnin, Ardee, who have been called from this life recently. May they rest in peace.

Sunday 4 th Feb	<u>MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST</u>	<u>MINISTERS OF THE WORD</u>
Ardcah 6:30pm	Trisha Fox	Eilish Behan
Clonalvy 10.00am	Anne Whyte	Breda Murray
Curraha 11.30am	Joan Phelan	Daniel Keohane

Sunday 28th January Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Vigil Ardcah 6.30pm 1st A.V. Una Dowling

Sunday Clonalvy 10.00am Nicholas Murray, parents Anne-Marie & Patrick & DFM
Special Intention
A.V. Edward Madden
A.V. James & Josephine McGuinness

Sunday Curraha 11.30am A.V. Mona Sherry & Rem husband Roger &
DFM of the Whearity & Sherry Families
A.V. Christopher & Mary Devaney & DFM

Mon. 29th Curraha 7.30pm Margie Caffrey

Tues. 30th Clonalvy 9.30am Nuala Tuffy

Thurs. 1st Curraha 9.30am Birthday Rem Liam Hetherington

Fri. 2nd Ardcah 9.30am Parish List of the Dead

Sunday 4th February Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Vigil Ardcah 6.30pm

Sunday Clonalvy 10.00am M.M. Robbie Kavanagh
A.V. Monica & Jimmy Kavanagh

Sunday Curraha 11.30am A.V. Con Keohane



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and Parish Support.
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Parishes Collection

	Ardcah	Clonalvy	Curraha
Offertory	€ 229.17	€120.85	€ 448.25
Envelopes	€ 0.00	€ 10.00	€ 180.00
Offerings	€ 20.00	€ 0.00	€ 225.00
Online Monthly Total:	€30.00		€ 450.00

Thank you for the generous support
of the work and upkeep of the Parish.

1st Feb: St Brigid's Day: We wish all our parishioners a very happy St Brigid's Day, particularly to all the Brigids, Bridgets, Bríds, Breeges, Biddys and Brigitte's in our parish, and to all who work under her patronage: poets; blacksmiths, livestock and dairy farmers, Kildare and Louth! In Irish tradition, this day marked the first day of spring, so we pray for favorable conditions for the ploughing and sowing season ahead,



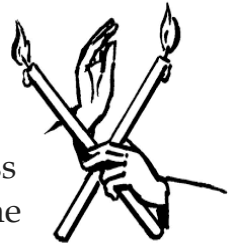
Candlemas - 2nd Feb - The Presentation of the Lord

Today's great feast marks the 40th Day after Christmas with the Presentation of the Lord in the Temple in Jerusalem. While there, Simeon waits for the Lord, having been promised by the Holy Spirit that he would see the Lord's promised Messiah. Now he receives Jesus into his arms and declares this young baby to be "the light to enlighten all nations". Hence it became associated with the Blessing of Candles that will be used in the church throughout the year, particularly on the altar for Mass. The Mass begins with the blessing of candles for the church, and those candles that can be used at home as well (not least when the power goes!). Please bring candles to Mass on Friday at 9:30am for blessing.

Altar Candles or Donations towards Altar Candles are very welcome. Donations towards Church Candles to be blessed on the Feast of Candlemas (2nd February) for use throughout the year, can be dropped into Parish Office or Sacristy (Marked Altar Candles) or the blue "Candlemas Offering" Envelope, or online by scanning QR code.

St Blaise's Day: With the blessed altar candles from Candlemas, the traditional blessing of throats is given through the intercession of St Blaise, Bishop and Martyr. The blessing of throats will take place at Mass in St Mary's Ardcath at 6:30pm.

St Brigid's Crosses: Locally made St Brigid's Day Crosses will be available after Mass in Clonalvy on Sunday. Suggested Donation of €2 per cross, going towards the support and upkeep of St John the Baptist's Church.



Congratulations: We offer thanksgiving to God for the 40 years of Episcopal Ministry of Bishop Michael Smith, retired bishop of Meath. Bishop Michael was consecrated on the 29th Jan. 1984 in the Cathedral in Mullingar. Solemn Vespers (Evening Prayer) will be prayed to mark this occasion in the Cathedral at 4pm this Sunday (28th Jan). All welcome. Bishop Michael confirmed 631 parishioners of Ardcath/Clonalvy and 352 Parishioners of Curraha over those 40years!

Preparing for St Valentine's Day!!!! Online event in advance of St Valentine's Day for Sacramentally Married Couples and those engaged to be sacramentally married.

Tuesdays: Jan 30th, Feb 6th and 13th, 8-9pm.

Themes: 1) Love - what's it all about; 2) Prayer and living your faith as spouses; 3) Knowing each other. No group sharing - couple time only. Please "come" with pen and paper! Joining details (same link for each evening): Meeting ID 882 2770 5620 Passcode: 1402. Facilitated by Equipes Notre-Dame - Ireland

Community Notices:

The Schools of the Parish are enrolling pupils for school year 2024-2025. See school websites for enrolment forms. **St Andrew's Curraha:** www.standrewscurragha.com. **Closing Date for Application is 07.03.24** **St. Patrick's, Ardcath** www.ardcathns.ie **Closing date for Application is 09/02/2024**