

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

FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT

SOLEMNITY OF ST PATRICK, PATRON

SAINT OF IRELAND

SUNDAY 17TH MARCH 2024

beannachtáí na
féile pádraic



Baptisms: God's Holy Church welcomes with great joy: **Seana Pauric Conway** and **Rían John Conway** who were baptised in St Mary's Church, Ardcath this weekend.

Please pray for the repose of the souls of **June Nolan**, Knocklyon, **John Toner** Duleek, Sharon Crowe Drumlish. May they rest in peace.

Sunday	24 th March	MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST	MINISTERS OF THE WORD
Ardcath	6:30pm	Imelda Andrews	Maire McKenna
Clonalvy	10.00am	Frances Whyte	Catherine Campbell
Curraha	11.30am	Joan Phelan	Daniel Keohane

Sunday 17th March St Patrick's Day

Vigil	Ardcath	6.30pm	Noelie Savidge, Revd. Peter Mulvaney
Sunday	Clonalvy	10.00am	A.V. Nancy, PJ & Mary Andrews
Sunday	Curraha	11.30am	A.V. Christina Hamilton A.V. Kathleen & James McCann
Mon.	18 th Curraha	7.30pm	No Mass
Tues.	19 th Clonalvy	9.30am	Get Well Mass
Thurs.	21 st Curraha	9.30am	James Nugent
Fri.	22 nd Ardcath	9.30am	Mass Bouquet



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Sunday 24th March Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

Vigil	Ardcath	6.30pm	A.V. Kevin Boylan DM Moore, Madden, Carroll Families A.V. Charles Moore A.V. John, Hilda & Michael Adams
Sunday	Clonalvy	10.00am	A.V. Kit Johnson & DFM A.V. Jack, Mary & Imelda Andrews, Austin Murray
Sunday	Curraha	11.30am	1 st A.V. Liam Hetheron A.V. Paddy McDermott

Parishes Collection

	Ardcath	Clonalvy	Curraha
Offertory	€ 92.27	€ 140.32	€ 371.82
Envelopes	€ 100.00	€ 50.00	€ 115.00
Offerings	€ 0.00	€ 20.00	€ 190.00

Thank you for the generous support of the work and upkeep

"I have had the good fortune through my God that I should never abandon his people whom I have acquired in the extremities of the earth.." – St Patrick

Hail Glorious Saint Patrick

Hail, glorious St. Patrick, dear saint of our isle,
On us thy poor children bestow a sweet smile;
And now that you're high in your mansions above,
On Erin's green valleys look down with your love.

Ever bless and defend the sweet land of our birth,
Where the shamrock still blooms as when thou wert on earth,
And our hearts shall yet burn, wherever we roam,
For God and St. Patrick, and our native home.



LIGHT THE FIRE 2024 - Hill of Slane , 17th March: 5:00pm

Vespers on the Hill of Slane and Rosary procession to the Church, 6:00pm Mass in St Patrick's Church followed by Eucharistic Adoration.

Lent 2024

The **5th Sunday of Lent** marks the entrance into **Passiontide**- the time that precedes Holy Week which helps focus our attention on the saving events of that sacred Week, preparing the Faithful to accompany the Lord Jesus into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday, following Him closely to Calvary. The weekday liturgy is saturated with the tensions between the Pharisees and Jesus, building towards His Betrayal by Judas and His Arrest. We use our sense of hearing in a greater way, as the sight of the Crucifix and Statues of the Saints are veiled from our eyes, allowing his word to speak into our hearts; Let us listen to the voice of the Lord saying, 'O that today, you would listen to His voice, harden not your hearts'.

This is a particularly opportune time to seek the sacrament of Confession and Reconciliation in preparation for Holy Week and Easter

Confession times for Lent:

Following the 6:30pm Vigil Mass on Saturdays in St Mary's, Ardcath,
Following the 7:30pm Monday Mass in St Andrew's, Curraha

The Celebration of Palm Sunday -23rd/24th March

Blessing of Palms before all Masses

Palm Sunday Procession with Palms - weather permitting:

Curraha Beginning at **11:15am** Front Lawn of Parochial House for 11:30am Mass.

St Joseph's Day: The wonderful celebration of St Joseph, Husband of the B.V.M will be celebrated on Tues, 19th March. Mass will be celebrated at 9:30pm, with devotions afterwards in St John the Baptist's Church, Clonalvy. "Saint Joseph did not do extraordinary things, but rather by the constant practice of the ordinary and common virtues, he attained that sanctity which elevates him above all other saints." – St. Joseph Marello. With Easter Sunday falling in March, the month of St Joseph, his statue remains uncovered during Passiontide.



The Memorare to St Joseph

Remember, O most chaste spouse of the Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who implored your help and sought your intercession were left unassisted. Full of confidence in your power I fly unto you and beg your protection. Despise not O Guardian of the Redeemer my humble supplication, but in your bounty, hear and answer me. Amen.

"All for Jesus, all through Mary, all after thine example, O patriarch Saint Joseph." Such shall be my motto in life and in death!