

WEEKEND MASSES

ARDCATH: 6:30PM (SAT VIGIL)

CLONALVY: 10.00AM (SUNDAY)

CURRAHA: 11:30AM (SUNDAY)

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PARISH NEWSLETTER

THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

SUNDAY 3RD MARCH 2024

Congratulations to **Andrea Wood and Robert Molloy** who celebrated the sacrament of Marriage in St Andrew's Curraha on Friday the 1st March.



Sunday	10 th March	<u>MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST</u>	<u>MINISTERS OF THE WORD</u>
Ardcath	6:30pm	Geraldine Wall	Catriona Corry
Clonalvy	10.00am	Patricia Harford	Breda Murray
Curraha	11.30am	Gerard O'Connor	Margaret Nugent

Sunday 3rd March Third Sunday of Lent

Vigil	Ardcath	6.30pm	M.M. Des Caffrey
Sunday	Clonalvy	10.00am	Joe Whyte
Sunday	Curraha	11.30am	A.V. Mark Mooney

Mon.	4 th	Curraha	7.30pm	Birthday Rem James Moran & Rem Annie Moran & DFM
Tues.	5 th	Clonalvy	9.30am	Bill Higgins
Thurs.	7 th	Curraha	9.30am	Jennifer McKeon
Fri.	8 th	Ardcath	9.30am	Maureen O'Brien

Sunday 10th March Fourth Sunday of Lent

Vigil	Ardcath	6.30pm	Angela Grendon, Rose Caffrey Kathleen & Peter Grendon James & Bridget Maloney & sons Tom, James & Sean Peggy, Alice & Bartle Lee & Parents William & Alice Lee
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Sunday	Clonalvy	10.00am	
Sunday	Curraha	11.30am	Margie Caffrey

Parishes Collection

	Ardcath	Clonalvy	Curraha
Offertory	€ 171.55	€ 225.70	€ 419.45
Envelopes	€ 20.00	€ 30.00	€ 730.00
Offerings	€ 0.00	€ 0.00	€ 80.00

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"Lent is a call to renew a commitment grown dull, perhaps, by a life more marked by routine than reflection!"



The Celebration of First Confession: We congratulate the children of 2nd Class, in our parish schools who made their First Confession this week, and a special word of gratitude to the children's teachers.

We pray God's blessing on the children as they encounter the bountiful mercy of God in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. What love awaits us in the sacrament of Confession, that can restore what has been broken, heal wounds, destroy barriers and give back life to the soul!

Lent 2024

The 3rd week of Lent moves us to the holy city of Jerusalem, to the Jewish Temple, the centre of Israelite encounter with the Lord. In the gospel today, we see how much the secular has invaded the sacred, the profane into that which is dedicated to God. It invites

us to reflect on our own souls and asks does the Lord need to drive out that which is hindering us from truly approaching God? Some Lenten Suggestions for the next 27 days:

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**

Other Encouraged Practices For Lent:

Fasting

No Meat on Wednesdays or Fridays
 Abstain from sweets,
 Abstain from desserts
 Abstain from alcohol or soft drinks
 No snacking between meals
 Log off all Social Media
 Abstain from televised sports
 Abstain from Movies.
 Abstain from TV series and Sitcoms.
 Use phone only for essential or work purposes
 Abstain from Video Games
 No Unnecessary Purchases

Prayer

Attend an extra Mass in the week
 Pray the Rosary daily
 Pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet
 Daily visit to the Church
 Pray the Stations of the Cross
 Go to Confession
 Read the Gospels - particularly the Passion of our Lord
 Take 20 mins of quiet prayer with the Lord at home
 Pray as a family particularly at Meal Times
 Make a pilgrimage, e.g. Knock, Croagh Patrick, Slane.
 Visit all the cemeteries in the parish, praying for those interred

Charity

Support a charity
 Spend extra and quality time together as a couple, as a family.
 Make an effort to visit a relative.
 Surprise someone with good deeds - even better when they don't know who it's from.
 Offer your services to the parish;
 Make an extra effort to help where there is a lack in the parish: music, reading, welcoming, encouraging others to come back to Mass
 Make a habit of seeing the best in others.
 Compliment others instead of taking their characters away through idle chat and gossip

Vocations Notice: Mass for Vocations: Cathedral of Christ the King, Mullingar, Thurs, 7th March at 7.30pm. Celebrant: Fr Tony Gonoude, Vocations Director and Preacher: Fr. Barry White, the youngest priest in the Diocese of Meath. Christ so needs workers for His Kingdom. If you feel called to the Priesthood, place your trust in the Lord. All most welcome to attend. www.meathvocations.com

25th Pioneer National Ball: April 6th 2024. Mass at 6pm in the Cathedral of Christ the King, Mullingar, followed by special guest speaker, dinner, music and dancing at the Annebrook House Hotel, Mullingar. For details/ tickets contact Dermot Fagan 085-7201646 or Daisy Carey 087-6544626