

WEEKEND MASSES

ARDCATH: 6:30PM (SAT VIGIL)
CLONALVY: 10.00AM (SUNDAY)
CURRAHA: 11:30AM (SUNDAY)

CURATE: FR. ROY GEORGE VATTAKATTU CC
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PARISH NEWSLETTER

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY

TIME

28TH JULY 2024

Please pray for the soul of Joan Gough Ardcath who was laid to rest during the week. May she rest in peace.

Baptism: God's Holy Church welcomes Clíodhna Crowley who was baptised in St Mary's Church Ardcath last weekend.



Sunday 4 th August	MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST	MINISTERS OF THE WORD
Ardcath 6.30pm	Mary Moore	Jill Tuite
Clonally 10.00am	Margaret Andrews	Cathal Caffrey
Curraha 11.30am	Amy Battersby	Maureen Mooney

Sunday 28th July Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Vigil Ardcath	6.30pm	People of the Parish
Sunday Clonalvy	10.00am	Intention
Sunday Curraha	11.30am	1 st A.V. Paddy Gavin A.V. Bridie Gargan A.V. Pat Duffy A.V. Sonny & Nora Canning James & Martha Canning

Mon. 29 th	Curraha	7.30pm	A.V. Peter, Breda & Patrick Cleary
Tues. 30 th	Clonalvy	9.30am	Joan Gough
Thurs 1 st	Curraha	9.30am	James Gallagher
Friday 2 nd	Ardcath	9.30am	Parish List of the Dead, John McNally

Sunday 4th August Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Vigil Ardcath	6.30pm	A.V. Paddy Bowens (6 th)
Sunday Clonalvy	10.00am	Catriona McCabe
Sunday Curraha	11.30am	A.V. Kevin Morgan A.V. Helen & Owen Brady

Sunday Parish Collections

	Ardcath	Clonalvy	Curraha
Offertory	€ 321.31	€ 236.87	€ 713.88
Envelopes	€ 31.00	€ 10.00	€ 435.00
Offerings	€ 10.00	€ 150.00	€ 220.00

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

Cemetery Devotions Summer 2024

Ardcath on Sunday, 10th September. We continue to pray for all on the Parishes Lists of the Dead at Mass on the First Friday of the Month.

Meath Diocese Pilgrimage to Knock, will take place on Sunday 11th August 2024. The Pilgrimage will be led by Bishop Tom Deenihan and will also be accompanied by the Meath Diocesan Choir. The Fr. Willie Doyle SJ Pilgrimage will also take place on Sunday 11th August.

Message to the parishioners of Curragha and Ardcath/Clonalvy.

I'm very grateful for the welcome extended to me and to my colleagues in the parish bulletin. At a time of change in the diocese we find ourselves adapting to new circumstances under which we try to deploy the available clergy and the best way possible to meet the pastoral and sacramental needs of the faithful. In addition to the duties of PP of Ratoath, as Administrator of the parishes of Curragha and Ardcath/Clonalvey I look forward to supporting the pastoral ministry of Fr Roy and Fr Johanna and in due course to meeting and working with the Pastoral Assemblies, Finance Committees and other volunteers and collaborators in the life of faith in both parishes.



The school of Compassion

Jesus' compassion impels us to action. Seeing the reality of the people in front of him, divine compassion becomes operative. Jesus begins by addressing their human needs. In the crowd, there were people who were ill and hungry. "His heart was moved with pity, and he cured their sick." Even though the disciples wanted to "dismiss the crowds so that they can go to

the villages and buy food for themselves," Jesus refused to send them away. Rather, he trains the disciples in the school of compassion. He says to them, "Give them some food yourselves!"

The disciples' response is tepid. Not operating from the place of compassion, they said, "Five loaves and two fish are all we have here". Jesus is teaching his disciples to give selflessly. If they must follow Jesus, their hearts must be moved with pity. If they must continue his mission, they must operate from the place Jesus does – with compassion.

Jesus took that small gift of five loaves of bread and two fish and he multiplied it by five thousand. Sometimes Jesus can do the same with us too. We bring to Jesus the small gifts, talents and abilities that we have and he makes our gifts grow, if we cooperate with the graces he sends to us.

Curraha Tidy Towns: Calling everyone to come out on the 1st Saturday of each month to clean up your area. Bags can be provided if required ring Deirdre on 0868868917 or Marcella on 0876744691. Let's be proud of our village.



Note for your Diary: Skryne / Rathfeigh celebrating 150 years as a parish with mass and a function afterwards on Saturday 12th October next in the GAA Community Centre. Further details will be available on Skrynerathfeighparish.ie.