

**WEEKEND MASSES**

ARDCATH: 6:30PM (SAT VIGIL)  
 CLONALVY: 10.00AM (SUNDAY)  
 CURRAHA: 11:30AM (SUNDAY)  
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**PARISHES OF ST MARY'S ARDCATH, ST JOHN THE BAPTIST CLONALVY, ST ANDREW'S CURRAHA**

**The celebration of God's mercy in the sacrament of First Confession will take place:**

St Andrew's Church, Curraha 7:30pm Thu 6<sup>th</sup> March 2025  
 St Mary's Church, Ardcath 7:30pm Fri 7<sup>th</sup> March 2025

Our parish will celebrate the children of our Parishes receiving the Lord Jesus



**Christ in the sacrament of First Holy Communion:**  
 St. Mary's Church, Ardcath 11:30am Sat 17<sup>th</sup> May 2025  
 St Andrew's Church, Curraha 11:30am Sat 24<sup>th</sup> May 2025  
 We keep all our young parishioners in prayer.

**Getting ready for Confirmation:** Confirmation in Ardcath is now only a little more than three six weeks away. The enrolled children are busy learning about the sacrament and the Holy Spirit. Bishop Tom begins confirmation in the parishes of our diocese at the end of January and is with us, God willing, on February 14<sup>th</sup>. *Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of faithful and enkindle in us the fire of your love.*



**Christian Unity Week (18-25 January 2025):** The theme this year is "Do you believe this?" reflecting the confession of Martha to Jesus in the Gospel of John, chapter 11. This year also marks the 1700th Anniversary of the Council of Nicaea in 325 which formulated the Nicene Creed we use to profess our faith each Sunday. Today, all Christians are called to renew our belief in God and to encounter God in Jesus, who is our hope, through the power and presence of the Holy Spirit.

**Why becoming a member of PPA?:**

- Everyone has something to offer; • I can co-responsibly support the work of my priest.
- It is an opportunity to help others to grow. • I can contribute to the pastoral care; • I can grow. • I can help others commit to a spirit of service, putting faith into action.



**Volunteering:** The next time you come to Sunday Mass, look at the number of people who are required to help. Usually, there is • a sacristan • Readers of the Word • Eucharistic Ministers • altar servers • people to welcome you and hand out bulletins etc • collectors and counters • people to tidy up after Mass and church cleaners • flower arrangers • sometimes a choir and people to run children's liturgy. You may have noticed that some people are doing these jobs every week and some are doing more than one. If anyone is interested in volunteering please let Fr Steve, the parish office or any Pastoral Council member know. All Are Most Welcome!

**Bulletin:** relevant news items of parish and local interest are always welcome for inclusion in the bulletin!

**PLEASE TAKE A COPY OF THE BULLETIN HOME WITH YOU OR ONE FOR A NEIGHBOUR, RELATIVE or FRIEND.**

**Community Notices:**

The Schools of the Parish are enrolling pupils for school year 2025-2026. See school websites for enrolment forms.  
**St Andrew's Curraha:** [www.standrewscurragha.com](http://www.standrewscurragha.com). Closing Date 31.01.25  
**St. Patrick's, Ardcath:** [www.ardcathns.ie](http://www.ardcathns.ie) Closing Date 07.02.25



**PARISH NEWSLETTER**

**THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME  
 26<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2025**

Please pray for the souls of Brid Bell Newtown and John Fleming Curraha who were laid to rest during the week. May they rest in peace.



Sunday	2 <sup>nd</sup> Feb	MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST	MINISTERS OF THE WORD
Ardcath	6.30pm	Geraldine Wall	Jill Tuite
Clonalvy	10.00am	Leta Harford	Anne White
Curraha	11.30am	Clare O'Connor	Daniel Keohane

**Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> January Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Vigil	Ardcath	6.30pm	A.V. Desmond Caffrey (1 <sup>st</sup> ) Rem son Colin A.V. Gareth McKenna A.V. Dermot & Una Dowling
Sunday	Clonalvy	10.00am	A.V. James & Josephine McGuinness A.V. Edward Madden A.V. Nickie & Carol Walsh, Finola Tuite & DFM A.V. Michael Fanning
Sunday	Curraha	11.30am	M.M. Stephen McKenna A.V. Nuala Keogh A.V. Christopher & Mary Devaney DFM A.V. Mona Sherry Rem husband Roger DM of the Sherry & Wherity Families
Mon.	27 <sup>th</sup> Curraha	7.30pm	Jo Keogh
Tues.	28 <sup>th</sup> Clonalvy	9.30am	Intention
Thurs	30 <sup>th</sup> Curraha	9.30am	Intention
Friday	31 <sup>st</sup> Ardcath	9.30am	Intention



**Online Donation and Parish Support.**  
 Please scan code and follow instructions.

**Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> February The Presentation of the Lord**

Vigil	Ardcath	6.30pm	M.M. Marcella McNally A.V. Vincent & Pearl Collins
Sunday	Clonalvy	10.00am	
Sunday	Curraha	11.30am	A.V. Con Keohane Liam Hetherton Birthday Rem

	Parishes Collection			
	Ardcath	Clonalvy	Curraha	Thank you for the generous support of the work and upkeep of our Parish
Offertory	€ 189.85	€ 189.75	€ 469.98	
Envelopes	€ 10.00	€ 60.00	€ 195.00	
Offerings	€ 10.00	€ 0.00	€ 180.00	

**Dates for the Celebration of the Sacraments 2025**

The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated in St Mary's Church, Ardcath on Sat, 3pm 14<sup>th</sup> Feb 2025