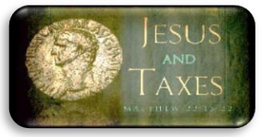
WEEKEND MASSES
ARDCATH: 6:30PM (SAT VIGIL)
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CURRAHA: 11:30AM (SUNDAY)
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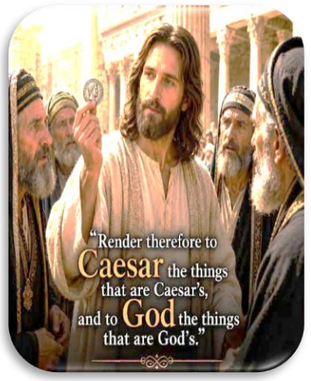
PARISH NEWSLETTER
TWENTY NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
18TH OCTOBER 2026



		MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST	MINISTERS OF THE WORD
Sunday	**25th Oct**		
Ardcath	**6.30pm**	**Maire McKenna**	**Trisha Fox**
Clonalvy	**10.00am**	**Leta Harford**	**Catherine Campbell**
Curraha	**11.30am**	**Amy Battersby**	**Patricia Smith**

SUNDAY 18TH OCTOBER MISSION SUNDAY TWENTY NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Vigil	Ardcath	6.30pm	A.V. Danny Baxter & DFM A.V. Edel Thompson
Sunday	Clonalvy	10.00am	A.V. Dick & Mona Barnwell & DFM
Sunday	Curraha	11.30am	M.M. Phil Maguire D.M. McGuinness & Fitzpatrick Families Catherine Halpin
Mon	19th Curraha	7.30pm	No Mass
Tues	20th Clonalvy	9.30am	No Mass
Thur	22nd Curraha	9.30am	Kay O'Brien, Joseph & Mary Crilly, Rosemary Molloy
Fri	23rd Ardcath	9.30am	Paddy Whyte



SUNDAY 25TH OCTOBER THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Vigil	Ardcath	6.30pm	M.M. Thomas Hand A.V. Marie & Ritchie Barry A.V. Gerry & Pauline Cromwell A.V. Richard Dunne & DFM & the Fox Family A.V. Christine Gillian
Sunday	Clonalvy	10.00am	
Sunday	Curraha	11.30am	M.M. Gerald Mescal Special Intention

PARISH COLLECTIONS 5th & 6th September 2026

	Ardcath	Clonalvy	Curraha
Offertory	**€ 174.00**	**€191.76**	**€ 295.29**
Envelopes	**€ 35.00**	**€ 30.00**	**€ 200.00**
Offerings	**€ 0.00**	**€ 0.00**	**€ 110.00**

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT OF THE WORK AND UPKEEP OF OUR PARISH

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PARISH PASTORAL COUNCILS formation pending in both Curragha and Ardcath/Clonalvy, with the new councils in place by December. The Bishop asks all councils to priorities welcoming and involving young people returning to parish life. Ardcath also seeks a new Finance Committee member with entry-level accounting experience to support ongoing stewardship and planning.

HARVEST THANKSGIVING MASS – 26/27 OCTOBER: Our Harvest Thanksgiving Masses on **26/27 October** provide an opportunity to give thanks for the fruits of the earth, the dedication of our farming families, and God's blessings throughout the year. As a parish community, we come together in prayer and gratitude, celebrating our rural heritage, faith, and shared responsibility for caring for creation.

WELCOME TO OUR PARISH! You have arrived in a rural Catholic community living the Gospel through Eucharist, prayer, and charity. Rooted in faith and Irish heritage. Journeying together in Christ: spreading faith, nurturing communion, sharing God's blessings. May you feel as good as possible among us and benefit from this experience!

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY: Today we celebrate World Mission Sunday, supporting the Church's mission in some of the world's poorest communities. Through our prayers and generosity, we help bring the Gospel, hope, and practical assistance to those in need. Every contribution makes a difference and strengthens the Church's worldwide mission.

ANNUAL MASSES FOR THE BEREAVED: We warmly invite the families of parishioners who have died since last November to the Annual Masses for the Bereaved on the weekend of 7th-8th November. Together, we will remember our loved ones in prayer, give thanks for their lives, and find comfort, strength, and hope in our faith and parish community.

JESUS STORY: One day, some people tried to trick Me with a question about taxes. I asked to see a coin and said, 'Give to Caesar what belongs to Caesar, and give to God what belongs to God.' Then I reminded them that their hearts belonged to God. I ask you to give Him your love each day.

8 DAYS OF LIGHT – WE REMEMBER THEM: From **1st to 8th November**, our parish invites you to our Novena for All Souls. Add the names of your loved ones to the **Garden of Remembrance** and join us each mass in prayer. We conclude with our **Annual Remembrance Mass** on **Sunday, 8th November**. A special welcome to all who have been bereaved during the past year.

HABITS OF THE HEART: Jesus was never too busy to stop, listen, and care. Develop the habit of being available to others, offering your time, attention, and kindness generously. A caring presence can brighten someone's day, strengthen relationships, and reflect Christ's love. Availability is a simple but powerful way to serve God.

MISSIONARY ROSARY: The Missionary Rosary invites us to pray for the Church throughout the world. Each coloured decade represents a different continent: Africa, the Americas, Europe, Asia, and Oceania. Inspired by Archbishop Fulton Sheen, this special Rosary helps us remember missionaries and their work, fostering unity, compassion, and a deeper concern for people everywhere.

ABC OF FAITH: Becoming means allowing God to shape us into the people He created us to be. Every day, through prayer, faith, and good choices, we grow closer to Jesus. We are not finished yet. God is always helping us become more loving, generous, forgiving, and holy in our daily lives.

VOCATION HOLY HOUR: Take time to pray, listen, and reflect on God's call in your life at the **Vocation Holy Hour** in **Duleek Church** on **Friday, 23rd October, from 7pm to 8pm**. All are welcome. For more information, contact **Fr Tony Gonoude (044 9373923)** or visit the Meath Vocations social media pages and website.

INCENTIVE SUPER-RESPONSE TENDENCY: We are often motivated by rewards, praise, or recognition. Jesus teaches us to do good not only for what we gain, but because it is right and loving. True disciples serve with generous hearts, seeking God's approval above all. Love grows strongest when goodness becomes its own reward.

MONTH OF THE ROSARY: October is dedicated to the Rosary, a beautiful prayer that draws us closer to Jesus through Mary. In the midst of busy lives, the Rosary invites us to pause, reflect, and pray with faith. Each decade deepens our relationship with God and brings peace, hope, and spiritual strength to daily life.



THE POSITIO: On Sunday, 18 October, the Cause of Servant of God Fr Willie Doyle SJ reaches an important milestone as the diocesan inquiry formally concludes. After gathering writings, testimonies, and historical evidence, the sealed documentation will be sent to Rome for review. May Fr Doyle's example of heroic faith continue to inspire the Church today.

NOVEMBER LIST OF THE DEAD: As November, the Month of the Holy Souls, approaches, parishioners are invited to submit their List of the Dead for remembrance at all November Masses and First Fridays. Envelopes are available in church. Through prayer and remembrance, we honour our loved ones and entrust them to God's eternal mercy and peace.



HISTORIC MILESTONE IN MEATH CHURCH LIFE: All are warmly invited to Vespers in the Cathedral of Christ the King, Mullingar, on Sunday, 18 October 2026 at 4.00pm, followed by the Public Concluding Session of the Tribunal. Marking Ireland's first successfully concluded Cause in over forty years, the documentation will then be forwarded to Rome. International visitors and military representatives are expected.

Enrolment 2026/2027: St. Andrew's Primary School, Curraha is now enrolling for 2026/2027 school year. Enrolment forms are available at www.standrewscurragha.com. For assistance or queries, email office@standrewscurragha.com. Join a warm, vibrant learning community where every child is encouraged to thrive. Early applications are strongly encouraged.