

ARCHDIOCESE OF ARMAGH Clogherhead & Walshestown Parish



SS Peter & Paul, Walshestown

To build bridges, bring together and renew the parish community in a spirit of faith, trust and hope through loving service of God and of our neighbour

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15th Sept 2024 *Psalter Week 4*

SEASON OF CREATION

1st September - 4th October (Feast of St Francis of Assisi)

2024 Theme: To Hope and Act With Creation

Listening to Creation's Cry Paul's imagery of a groaning Earth highlights the suffering caused by our exploitation of natural resources and the



environment. We see this in the effects of climate change, the loss of biodiversity, and environmental destruction. The Earth, along with communities losing their homes and species facing extinction, is crying out due to our unsustainable practices. Biblical hope is not passive waiting; it calls for active involvement. Like the process of childbirth, which involves pain but leads to new life, hope in the face of environmental destruction requires action. The Season of Creation 2024 theme, "To hope and act with Creation," urges us to be proactive. Hope is not just about wishing for change; it drives us to work for justice and transformation.

<u>Sisters of Mercy Webinar 19 September 2024</u> The Climate Crisis – what can we do? In response to the Climate Crisis, you are invited to a Webinar facilitated by Jane Mellett of Trocaire on Thursday 19th September at 7.30pm. To register for this webinar, check out the following https://bit.ly/3XDKJct and enter your name and address

The Parish List of the Dead, deceased benefactors and the recently deceased: **Elizabeth Quaile** (Grangebellew), **Niamh Dolan** (Bellewstown) & **Breen Brady** (Drogheda)

Mass Intentions This Week

Saturday 14 September @ 7.30pm Termonfeckin ~

Evelyn Devereux (1st Anniv) • Patrick Joseph Comiskey • Jack Matthews • Mattie & Peggy Kavanagh • Mary Sheridan McGuirk, her husband Paddy & Sheridan family dec'd

Sunday 15 September @ 9.15am Sandpit ~

Sunday 15 September @ 10.45am Walshestown ~

Kevin, Mary & Edward Morgan

Sunday 15 September @ 12noon Clogherhead ~

Tom, Teresa & Diarmuid Murray • Alan McCullough

Thursday 19 September @ 9.30am Clogherhead ~

Saturday 21 September @ 7.30pm Termonfeckin ~

Breda & Patrick Berns • Doreen McHugh

Sunday 22 September @ 9.15am Sandpit ~

Jim & Mary Whearty & family deceased

Sunday 22 September @ 10.45am Walshestown ~ Kevin Fox

Sunday 22 September @ 12noon Clogherhead ~

Joyce Phillips (1st Anniv) • Nicholas McLeer • Mary & Tom Lynch

<u>Tuesday Holy Hour</u>: Adoration from 10-11am including the Miraculous Medal Novena.

<u>Sunday</u> 8th <u>September</u> you gave €710.00 (€536.70 in 65 parish envelopes, €173.30 on the plate). *Grateful thanks for all your support*.

<u>Collection for St Patrick's Cathedral, Armagh</u> The Cathedral stands as an icon of faith and hope. This weekend (14th/15th September) a second collection will take place to support the ongoing restoration and maintenance of our Diocesan Cathedral ensuring it remains a centre of hope and prayer for generations to come.

<u>Tours of St Patrick's Cathedral and Museum</u> St Patrick's Cathedral Parish, Armagh are delighted to launch a series of tours of St Patrick's Cathedral &

Museum. Parishioners & visitors to Armagh have the unique opportunity to explore the Cathedral & our museum with the help of our expert guides. Places are limited. For information and booking, visit: https://tinyurl.com/ CathedralTours2024

<u>St Vincent de Paul Outreach</u> Need help? Remember, you are not alone. Ring this number..... 1800 677777.

Do you want to learn more about your faith and develop more confidence around your baptismal calling?

If you are interested, why not consider joining the Diocesan Theology Programme. The programme is accredited by St Patrick's Pontifical University, Maynooth. There are no educational entry requirements, and completion of the course is based on submitted work. There are no formal exams. Our Theology Programme will be starting this year on 28th September. The closing date for applications is 26th September. The application form is available on the diocesan website https://www.armagharchdiocese.org/diocesan-theology-programme-2/. When completed, please send to milandaoprfm@gmail.com as soon as possible. For more information, please contact Milanda at 042 9342954 (9am-2pm Monday to Friday).

<u>Are you interested in becoming a Catholic?</u> The Archdiocese of Armagh are hosting an information evening on Thursday 17th October in St Patrick's Church, Dundalk @ 7pm. Please contact Sharon on 087-6417334 or by email on dunnesharon.pastoralcentre@gmail.com

How beautiful on the mountains are the feet of those who bring good news, who proclaim peace, who bring good tidings, who proclaim salvation, who say to Zion, "Your God reigns!" (Isaiah 52:7)

Parent's Prayer for children returning to school Heavenly Father, Thank you for the gift of my child/children. Please watch over them as they begin a new school year. Bless their teachers, school administrators, bus drivers, school support staff, friends and classmates. Keep them safe every day. I pray they may feel Your presence and know that You are always with them. Help them recall my loving words of support for them. Give them wisdom to make good choices, and an openness to learn new things. Fill them with knowledge and positive thinking. Help them overcome obstacles and shield them from negativity. Surround my child/children with good friends who also know and love You. Help them treat each other with kindness, fairness, and respect. May they treat each person they encounter as another child of God. Grant them the Grace to place their trust in You so they may know Your peace. Amen

Verbum Domini—The Gospel of the Lord

- 1. 'Who do you say that I am?' Imagine Jesus putting this question to you. How would you answer it? How would you answer it, not in words taken from a catechism or textbook, but from your own experience of the significance of Jesus in your life? What does Jesus mean to you? What does his gospel message mean to you?
- 2. Jesus went on to teach his disciples that following him would be hard at times. There would be a price to pay. Perhaps you also have found that imitating the love and compassion of Jesus is not an easy road? Nor does it come easy to have the constant trust in God that Jesus had. Yet Jesus tells us that this is the way to life. Would you agree?
- 3. There is a natural human tendency to shy away from what is painful or difficult. Yet if that is our standard pattern of behaviour, we will not get far in reaching our potential. We will never find who we are capable of being. When have you found it worthwhile to face difficulties, persevere, 'carry your cross' for a while to achieve some goal that was important to you?

John Byrne OSA

Mark 8: 27 - 35

<u>Annual Service of Remembrance</u> Our Lady of Lourdes Hospital, Women and Children services are holding their annual service of remembrance for families affected by pregnancy, infant, and child loss. The service will take place in MMM Auditorium, Hardmans Gardens, Drogheda, A92 XKXO on Sunday 6th October at 3pm. All welcome

Trip to Rome in the Jubilee Year 2025 From Mon 10th March to Thurs 13th March 2025, price includes, 3 nights B&B at 3*Pietralata Hotel, tourist tax, private airport transfers, private guided tour of Rome (half day), private guided tour of the Colosseum + Roman Forum (half day), inc entrance tickets, return flights from Dublin, 10kgs check in luggage pp, €829.00 per person sharing a twin/double, €995.00 single room. Please contact Ann or Mary in the parish office for more information on 087-3791443

<u>Praise & Worship Prayer</u> meeting Held every Tuesday at 8pm in the Parish Hall (Old School, Termonfeckin) Eircode A92 DNT9. Further inquiries contact Sandra 085 8110475. All are welcome.

<u>Internet Broadcasting</u> Mass and other services will be broadcast each day over the internet. The operator of the system is Fr. Paul Byrne Adm, Parochial House, Termonfeckin. Tel 041-9822121, to whom queries should be referred.