

## WEEKEND MASSES

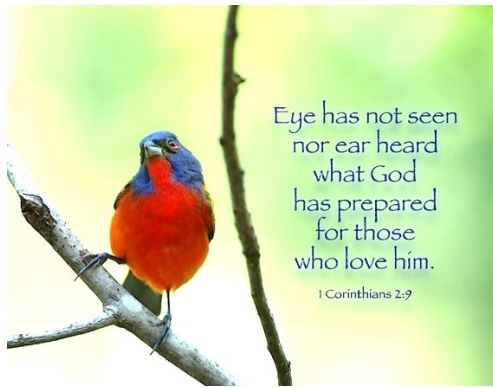
St Mary's: **6:00pm** Saturday Vigil  
**8:00am, 11:00am, 1:00pm** Sunday  
St Oliver's: **7:00pm** Saturday Vigil  
**10:00am, 12:00** Sunday  
OUR LADY'S HOSPITAL: **9:00am** Sunday

## WEEKDAY MASSES

ST ANNE'S: **8:00am** Monday - Friday  
ST OLIVER'S: **9:15am** Monday - Friday  
ST MARY'S: **10:00am** Monday - Saturday

## SATURDAY CONFESSIONS

ST MARY'S 12:00noon - 1:00pm  
St Oliver's after 7:00pm Vigil Mass



ST MARY'S PARISH OFFICE HOURS  
Monday: **11am - 1pm; 2pm - 5pm**  
Tuesday-Friday: **9am - 1pm; 2pm - 5pm**

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PRIEST ON DUTY: **Fr Louis Illah**  
FUNERAL DUTY: **Shared**

Pope Francis published an Apostolic Exhortation on Wednesday 12 February following the recent Synod on the Amazon. Much commentary relates to what is not contained in the document instead of the rich text which merits a full and prayerful reading. Much of the text describing the indigenous people of the Amazon region could be interpreted equally for many parishes in the Boyne Valley. Our willingness to live according to the Gospel which the missionary Patrick ignited on the Hill of Slane and our journey from pagan ways to the full light of the Gospel finds echoes in some passages. Consider for example paragraphs 79 & 80 of **Querida Amazonia**:

*"Some religious festivals have a sacred meaning and are occasions for gathering and fraternity, albeit in need of a gradual process of purification or maturation. A missionary of souls will try to discover the legitimate needs and concerns that seek an outlet in at times imperfect, partial or mistaken religious expressions, and will attempt to respond to them with an inculturated spirituality.*

*Such a spirituality will certainly be centred on the one God and Lord, while at the same time in contact with the daily needs of people who strive for a dignified life, who want to enjoy life's blessings, to find peace and harmony, to resolve family problems, to care for their illnesses, and to see their children grow up happy. The greatest danger would be to prevent them from encountering Christ by presenting him as an enemy of joy or as someone indifferent to human questions and difficulties. Nowadays, it is essential to show that holiness takes nothing away from our "energy, vitality or joy".*

Parishioners might take some time to view the film "The Mission" as they explore this document and some of the many issues which are still relevant over the centuries! Full text available on [www.navanparish.ie](http://www.navanparish.ie)

## RECENTLY BAPTISED

**Eoghan Nesbitt**  
**Sean Michéal Burke**  
**Rose Dorrigan**

## MAY THEY REST IN PEACE

**Tony 'Weeshie' Walsh**, St. Mary's Park  
**Tommy Maher**, Beechdale Avenue  
**Eamonn Costello**, Finglas, late of Millbrook Terrace

## HYMN FOR TODAY

**Though we are many, we are one body,  
We who come to share this living bread;  
Cup of salvation, shared among all nations,  
Nourishing us now and evermore.**

We gather in this place  
round the table of the Lord.  
Christ's presence is revealed  
in our communion and his Living Word.

Now our communion recalls  
Christ's death and resurrection.  
This living sacrifice  
is our salvation now and evermore

Sincere thanks to all who ensured a beautiful celebration of the **Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes** last Tuesday morning. This year's Meath pilgrimage will travel from Monday 14 – Saturday 19 September. Bookings through *Pilgrimages Abroad* 01-635 9300.



**Parish Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help** continues with Mass on Friday next 21 February at 7:30pm and will continue until Prayer around the Cross on Good Friday. Fr Séamus Houlihan, PP Kilcormac will join us for Mass and devotions. Please share this invitation to all your friends.

**Safety matters:** The one-way system is now in place again through the Railway Street gate. We ask all drivers to respect the speed limit in our parish grounds and to use one space per car.

The **CCTV system** covers the grounds and buildings of our parish in order to ensure a safe environment for all who wish to pray. Suspicious behaviour can be reported to any member of parish staff.

**Aperuit Illis** – the full text of the document for Word of God Sunday instituted by Pope Francis is available for Ministers of the Word in both sacristies of the parish.

**Supporting Meals-on-Wheels: €250 (Funeral of late Séamus 'Jimmy' McSherry)**

**Daily Rosary** at 6:30pm in St Mary's Church

## MASS SCHEDULE FOR THE SIXTH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME 16- 22 FEBRUARY 2020

<b>Saturday:</b>	<b>St. Mary's 6:00pm</b>	<b>Mary Maisie Allen</b> , St. Brigid's Villas (First Anniversary)
	<b>St. Oliver's 7:00pm</b>	<b>Frances Boyd</b> , St. Enda's Villas (Month's Mind)
<b>Sunday:</b>	<b>St. Oliver's 10:00am</b>	<b>Cletus Okoye</b> , Nigeria (Month's Mind)
	<b>St. Mary's 11:00am</b>	<b>Sean Murtagh</b> , Knockumber (Month's Mind)
	<b>St. Mary's 1:00pm</b>	<b>Marlene Walsh</b> , Old Balreask Woods (First Anniversary)
<b>Saturday:</b>	<b>St. Mary's 10:00am</b>	<b>Anniversaries occurring</b> Fr. Fintan Cassidy – Ann Cahill – John Naughton – Ezio Lupo – Armando Lupo – Elma Clarke née Masterson – John Mohan – Frank Kennedy – Patrick 'Paddy' Murtagh – Frank Hosie – May O'Sullivan & Evelyn Nelson – Thomas & Ellen Dunphy – Leo Slattery – Paddy Fogarty – Raymond Ratty – Frank & Mary Martin – Christopher O'Connor – Ellen Sheridan – St. Bernadette Ashe – Sr. Paula Brennan – Bernard Kane – Ann Faulkner John & Anne Devine (2) – Elma Clarke née Masterson – Catherine Lynch née Ratty – Elma Clarke née Masterson (2)
<b>Saturday:</b>	<b>St. Mary's 6:00pm</b>	<b>Jimmy McSherry</b> , Dublin Road (Month's Mind)
<b>Sunday:</b>	<b>St. Mary's 11:00am</b>	<b>Anthony Faulkner</b> , Parnell Park (First Anniversary)
	<b>St. Oliver's 12:00noon</b>	<b>Catherine Cunniffe</b> , Ballyhaunis, Co Mayo (First Anniversary)
	<b>St. Mary's 1:00pm</b>	<b>Gretta Heery</b> , St. Benildus Villas (Month's Mind)
	<b>St. Anne's 12:00noon</b>	<b>African Catholics' Community Mass</b>

**Masses requested:** Ellen Gaughran – Val Lyons & Lyons & Timlin fam – Phyllis Geraghty – Stewart 'Dewe' Rennicks – Tom, Nancy & Tommy Dowdall – Eileen Hurley – Denis & Bridie Miller – Liam & Frances Boyd – Hughie & Eugene Craughan – Seamus McCormack – Harry Ratty – Jimmy, Patrick, Teresa & Anne Ratty – Conrad Sharkey (2) – Elizabeth & Michael Kane & Teresa Gurney née Kane

### MANY THANKS TO OUR PARISHIONERS WHO CONTRIBUTED TO LAST SUNDAY'S COLLECTIONS

Sunday Offertory: **€4,497**

Candlemas Offerings: **€3,378**

### COMMUNITY & LOCAL AREA NOTICES

**St Mary's Parish Bingo** takes place every Monday in the Community Centre at **8:45pm**. Panel **€150**. Jackpot Sheet **€150** per line & **€1,000** per panel.

**O'Mahony's Bingo:** Tues 8:45pm

**Simonstown Bingo:** Thurs 8:45pm

**Alzheimer Day Care Centre:** North East Community Employment Project has vacancies now. Enquiries : 046-907 1280 or [mmoran@alzheimer.ie](mailto:mmoran@alzheimer.ie)

**Navan Patchwork Group** meet in the Knights of St. Columbanus House, Canon Row every Mon 10:30am to 1:00pm. New members welcome.

**Pilgrimage to Medjugorje.** 12th May 2020 for 7 nights, half board in Hotel Leone €705 per person, Accompanied by Fr. Janusz Lugowski. Tel: 085 802 1382

**FREE Five Week Basic iPhone, iPad, Tablet and Smartphone class** commencing in Clarendon Stadium on 26 February from 10-12 noon. Please call Angela on 046 9280790 to book a place.

**Community Employment Vacancies**  
Healthcare/ Social Care Vacancies available for 19.5hrs per week with free QQI Level 5 Healthcare Support Training. Tel: Navan EDP CLG on 907 1938 for info on the eligibility or email your CV to [navanedp@gmail.com](mailto:navanedp@gmail.com)

**Charity Social Dance** in Diocesan Hall Trim on Sunday next 23 Feb 6:00-9:00pm. Dancing to Ger Long & proceeds to The Friends of St. Joseph's Trim. Raffle & refreshments. 0868711532

Meath Diocesan **Pilgrimage to the Holy Land** 13-22 October 2020 led by Bishop Deenihan. Contact Niamh at GTI-MAP Travel 01 808 5201.

**Bective/Cannistown Social Group** on Wed at 2:00pm. New members welcome.

**County Meath Apprenticeship Expo**, Tues 25 Feb (9:30am-3:00pm) in Knightsbrook Hotel Trim. Earn & Learn, Engage with Employers & Plan Your Career in Meath. Open to ALL & FREE to Register on Eventbrite or [www.countymeathchamber.ie](http://www.countymeathchamber.ie)

**Meath Archaeological and Historical Society:**  
Launch of *Ríocht na Midhe* Wed 19 Feb – 7:30pm in Ardboyne Hotel followed by Lecture – “The Discovery of the medieval Monastic Site at Beamore, County Meath, 2019” Geraldine Stout (MRIA)  
Reception and book fair – members and guests from 6:30pm -7:30pm

The **Community Grant Scheme and the Community Amenity Project Scheme** for 2020 are now open for applications. Further details and the application form can be obtained from our website: <https://www.meath.ie/council/council-services/community/community-grants-and-initiatives> The closing date for receipt of completed applications is 5:00pm Friday, 6 March, 2020”

**Dowdstown Counselling Services** offer individual support. Appointments via 046-903 1196. [www.dowdstowncounsellingservices.com](http://www.dowdstowncounsellingservices.com)

**Meath Befriending Service** aims to reduce loneliness and isolation through a weekly visit from a trained befriending volunteer. Tel 928 0790.

**National Council of the Blind of Ireland (NCBI)** Charity Shop Kennedy Road are actively seeking to recruit volunteer to work in their charity shop. If you are free 4 hours a week. Tel 086-335 7630