

# PARISH OF HOLY TRINITY, RATOATH, DIOCESE OF MEATH, 2024 AD

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10 <sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER – 32 <sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME		17 <sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER – 33 <sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	
<b>Saturday</b> 7.00pm	Dermot Brennan, Month's Mind; John & Mary Cunningham; Colman & Deirdre Corcoran; James and Peggy Farrell	<b>Saturday</b> 7.00pm	Kenneth Cullen, 4 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary; John Mulvany, 11 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary
<b>Sunday</b> 9.00am	Matilda & Tim Burns and special intention; Kathleen & Hugh Nally	<b>Sunday</b> 9.00am	Pro Populo- for the People of the Parish
<b>11.00am</b>	John Mc Carthy; Marcella Kerins, Birthday Remembrance; Baby Freddie Killian, Birthday Remembrance; Helen Reilly	<b>11.00am</b>	
<b>12.15pm</b>	Aggie & Anthony Donohoe; Nora Wilson, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Anniversary; Geraldine O'Reilly	<b>12.15pm</b>	Derek Walker, 12 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary and dec mbrs of Walker & Kenny families; Mary White

**Weekday Mass Intentions – Mon:** Dave Conway; **Tues:** Ray Hannigan and Michael & Alice; **Wed:** Connie Conway & dec'd mbrs of Dunphy family; **Thurs:** Michael & Alice Hatch; **Fri:** Gerry Keogh

**Rest in Peace:** we commend to God the soul of **Maureen Breslin**, Seagrave Hall, whose Funeral Mass will be offered on Monday at 11am.

**Update from Parish Pastoral Assembly:** the PPA is in the process of drafting an *action plan* for the coming year and welcomes input from parishioners. We plan a 'listening event on' Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> December in the church at 7:30pm. All are welcome to the 'listening event' and we would like your thoughts on these questions: Is it important for you to be active in the parish? If yes why?

What value do you get from being involved in the parish?

What services offered by the parish are you involved in or attend?

What further opportunities would you like to help deepen your own faith and spiritual life?

What actions / services / programmes / do you think would help to deepen the faith of the parish and encourage others to start or re-start their faith journey?

**Parish Secretary:** A second interview session for this role will take place on Monday.

**PA system:** responding to comments from the pews, a sound engineer was brought in to test the system this week. He found the volume to be good but the sound quality poor, due to the age of the speakers.

He has advised that the speakers be replaced with a more up to date model used in neighbouring churches!

**November List of the Dead** - envelopes still available at the back of the church as we observe the pious custom of remembering all our dear departed loved ones and put their names on our Altar List of the Dead to be remembered in the parish during the entire month of November and every First Friday of the month.

**Candlelit Choral Service** for all the dead and bereaved of the parish on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November at 8pm. A particular invitation is extended to those bereaved since last November. A designated family member or friend will present a candle to the priest to be placed on the altar as the name of their loved one is called and then all present will be invited to do the same. Candles will be provided on the night.

**A short-term Pioneer Pledge for November** gives spiritual support and encouragement to people and their families living under a shadow of addiction. Contact the Pioneers on 01 805 4226 or [www.pioneers.ie/pray](http://www.pioneers.ie/pray) Mass will be offered for deceased members of the Pioneers on 17<sup>th</sup> November at 12 noon in Dunshaughlin. Everyone (not just Pioneers) is invited to the Pastoral Centre for refreshments. Anyone who wishes to join the Pioneers or would like a special pin, please contact May on 087 133 4872.

**Safeguarding:** We are currently seeking two parishioners to fill the important role of Safeguarding Rep.

The **Children's Choir** has started Christmas rehearsals every Monday at the Parish Pastoral Centre.

**Mullingar Cathedral Choristers:** any boy in or above 3<sup>rd</sup> class of Primary School who would like to learn more about being a Chorister is invited to an **Open Day** on Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> November at 3pm. No previous experience singing or knowledge of an instrument is required, only an interest in singing. Boys with a basic ability to sing, as well as more experienced boys, are encouraged to explore this excellent chance to develop not only their voice but to nurture a life-long skill, make strong friendships, build their confidence and self-esteem, and represent their community.

The boys will spend the afternoon doing some group and individual singing with the Director and tour the Cathedral, museum and organ loft. Parents welcome for tea/coffee and to meet the team. Attendance is free of charge. The Choristers sing at 12:30 pm Sunday Mass, as well as other events throughout the year. Trips and social activities take place during the year. Contact : [office@mullingarparish.ie](mailto:office@mullingarparish.ie)

**More and New Readers/Ministers of the Word** needed for all masses. Please give it some thought and contact the office or sacristy, or any of the co-ordinators of the schedule of Readers.

**A missionary group from Bethlehem , the Holy Land,** will visit our parish on the 23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> November to briefly talk about the Holy Land and to sell religious articles ( Crucifixes , Rosary Beads , Plaques and Nativity Cribs ) made out of olive wood in Bethlehem to help and support poor Christians families.

A great opportunity to buy a Christmas gift! Any help you could give them will be highly appreciated .

**Navan Male Voice Choir** is recruiting new singers. Experience NOT required. Practice every Tuesday evening at 7:30pm. Contact 087 8213075 or any Choir member.

**Young Adult (18-40 yrs) Retreat,** Mt. St. Joseph Abbey, Roscrea, 15<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup> Nov. Theme: *'I believe that nothing can happen that will outweigh the supreme advantage of knowing Christ Jesus, my Lord'*, Phil3:8. Prayer, talks, walks, Mass, confession/chat with one of the monks. Cost: €150 ( full board, own room)/ for students, donation only. Call Sr Úna 0906481666 or Michael 086 24531 or email : [youthretreats@gmail.com](mailto:youthretreats@gmail.com).

**Basic Computer Skills at Claremont Stadium,** a 5-week course for beginners starts 7<sup>th</sup> Nov, 7-9pm. Registration fee €15, limited number of laptops available for use, participants welcome to bring their own. To book, call 046 902 9693. Course is funded by The REACH Fund 2024.

**Lecture: "Martin Cregan, artist (1788-1870)"** by Frank Cogan, Tues 12<sup>th</sup> Nov at 7.30pm in Navan Library.  
**George Eogan Memorial Lecture: "Brú na Bóinne Connections at Knockroe Passage Tomb, Co Kilkenny"** by Dr Muiris O'Sullivan, Emeritus Professor of Archaeology, UCD. Sun, 24<sup>th</sup> Nov at 3pm. Nobber Heritage Centre.

**Bulletin:** – relevant news items of parish and local interest are always welcome for inclusion in the bulletin, subject to space available and editorial discretion and deadlines!

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