



Parish of Abbeyside Ballinroad & Garranbane Newsletter

Sunday 26th January, 2020
3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Abbeyside Church: Mid-March Opening

'When will the Church be open?' Has to be the most commonly asked question locally. I used to come out in a rash when I'd hear the first syllable of it! On Wednesday we discussed with the builder work to finish, and the middle of March seems to be the most likely option.

I thank you for your patience and understanding during what has become a very long project. Without your support it would not be possible.

9.45am Thursday morning at the shrine alcove, I'm inspecting four freshly painted patches of the latest samples of breathable paint, when all of a sudden "Where's the painter?" I hear in a peculiar accent bellowing from the sacristy hallway. Without saying anything, one of the painters gingerly walks towards him finishing his cigarette. "I've a pallet of paint!", the Logistics 4 courier loudly and gruffly proclaims. The trusses are getting second coats. The samples are for the walls. I'm presently collating texted responses from those consulted; so far so good, a clear preference is emerging. Further enquiries about carpets are ongoing.



Feast Days

Feast of St. Brigid. Saturday 1st February.



Feast of St. Blaise. Monday 3rd February.

As the Feast of St Blaise will fall on Monday, February 3rd this year, blessing of throats will take place after all weekend Masses next weekend.



Election 2020

Due to a clash of fixtures on **Saturday 8th February**, our 7pm vigil Mass will be held in **Ballinroad Church**. Voting will be taking place in Scoil Mhuire Hall. We apologise for any inconvenience.

Enrolments

Scoil Mhuire, Abbeyside National School, is opening their enrolment process from **Monday 20th Jan to Friday 31st Jan**. Anyone interested in enrolling their child for Junior Infants Sept 2020 should complete the application form which is available from the school or from their website www.abbeysidens.com.

Completed applications must be handed in to the school before **2p.m. on Jan 31st**.



Garranbane N.S. is currently taking enrolments for September 2020. Please contact the school office (058- 41607) for an enrolment form.

Table Quiz Fundraiser

Garranbane Parents Association is running a Table Quiz Fundraiser for the new School Astro Turf pitch. This is happening in the **Lord Maguire's on the 31st January 2020 at 8.30pm**



Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage

The Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage will be held from **3rd to 8th June 2020**. Booking is already open and you may book online www.joewalshtours.ie where you can avail of a €10 Discount.

You may also contact the Lourdes booking office in Waterford on **051-878900 from 9am to 5.30pm Monday to Friday**.

Please note that visits to the Waterford office will only be open on Monday and Thursday from 10am to 2pm



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Abbeyside, Ballinroad & Garranbane Lourdes Invalid Fund.

If anyone would like to travel to Lourdes please contact the Abbeyside, Ballinroad & Garranbane Invalid Fund for an application form at **087-2101620**.

Catholic Schools Week 26th January - 2nd February 2020

The overall theme for this week is:

“Living in Harmony with God’s Creation.”

The daily themes are:

- Monday: Living in Harmony with God.
Tuesday: Living in Harmony with our Neighbours.
Wednesday: Living in Harmony with All Generations.
Thursday: Living in Harmony with the Earth.
Friday: Living in Harmony in our Catholic School.



All Night Eucharistic Adoration

An all night Eucharistic Adoration will take place in the **Foyer of Charity Leperstown Cross, Dunmore East, Co. Waterford, Saturday February 1st 8 p.m. to Sunday 10 a.m.**



For more information contact Helen 086 1678027 or Lesley 087 1373549

World Day of the Sick 2020

Pope Francis is urging the human warmth and personalised approach of Christ, the Good Samaritan, in healthcare professionals, workers and volunteers. He makes the call in his message for the **28th World Day of the Sick**. The Catholic Church marks the annual day on **11th February, the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes**. The theme of this year’s celebration is “Come to me, all you who labour and are burdened, and I will give you rest,” taken from Matthew’s Gospel (11:28).



The Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage Staff and pilgrims will join the parishioners of St. Paul’s parish in Waterford city for Mass at 7pm. All are welcome to attend.

If Elderly or Sick and Housebound

If you know of someone who would like the priest to visit with Holy Communion on First Fridays or at any other time, please let us know at the parish office 058-45787.



Parish Contacts

Parish Office: 058 45787

Opening Hours: Monday-Thursday 9.00a.m. – 1.00p.m.

Friday 9.00a.m. – 12.30p.m.

Email: abgparishoffice@eircom.net

Parish Website: www.abgparish.ie



Anniversary Masses this Weekend

Saturday (Vigil)	7.00 p.m.	Abbeyside School	John Burke
Sunday	9.30 a.m.	Abbeyside School	Birdie Preston
	10.00 a.m.	Ballinroad	James Hanafin
			Monie & Maggie Tobin
			Molly Kiely
	11.00 a.m.	Garranbane	Ellen & Sean Sheehan
			Peggy & Richie Whelan
	12 noon	Abbeyside School	Trish O' Brien (1 st Anniversary)

Anniversary Masses next Weekend

Saturday (Vigil)	7.00 p.m.	Abbeyside School	John Egan
Sunday	9.30 a.m.	Abbeyside School	_____
	10.00 a.m.	Ballinroad	Tom Fennell
	11.00 a.m.	Garranbane	-----
	12 noon	Abbeyside School	La (Alice) Walsh Months Mind

Remember Those Who Died Recently:

Jimmy O'Leary, Jim Cotter, Kathleen O'Brien (née Hogan) Ballinacourty & Chester.

An tAth Uinseann Ó Maidín OCSC & Fr. Tom Hubbord IC.

**Weekday Masses at 10 a.m. are held in the Scouts Den,
Sarsfield Street.**

Weekend Masses are held in Abbeyside School Hall