

# NEWSLETTER

## Parish of Aughaninshin Church of the Irish Martyrs



### THE DEEP END • MURMURINGS

Both Elijah and the crowd at Capernaum murmur in their respective wildernesses. The prophet even craves death. His journey has made him disillusioned and he begs for release. The stories of Elijah's journey to Horeb and Jesus' extended discourse allude to the older tale of the Israelites in the desert complaining about God – or more accurately God's perceived absence. At the same time, they need to get over their own notions, or misplaced desires, and stop making God in their own image.

An angel arrives to save Elijah and help him on his journey. Jesus, contrastingly, offers himself as the journey's end. But his audience react with incredulity. They know his family. He is a local. How could this rural 'wannabe' tell them something they do not already know?

The Christian community is the body of Christ. Perhaps it is for this reason that Paul asks his readers to stop moaning and 'be friends.' In the body of Christ gathered around his table we become friends with God as well as one another. Atonement becomes 'at-one-ment' and murmuring gives way to friendship. Leaving behind the wilderness, we might find our way back to the garden, where in that most ancient of stories God walks and talks with us, as friends.

Paul Clogher  
Waterford Institute of Technology

### Times of Masses & Services

#### Mass Times

##### Sunday Masses

Saturday Evening 6.30pm  
Sunday Morning 9.30am & 11.30am

##### Weekday Masses

Monday to Saturday 9.30am

#### Confessions

After Saturday evening Mass or on request

#### Baptisms

1st & 3rd Sunday of the month at 12.30pm  
2nd & 4th Saturday of the month at 4pm

Parents who wish to have their child baptised must give at least 2 weeks notice and will be visited by members of the Baptism Preparation Team to assist you in your preparation for the Sacrament.

*No times outside of the above  
are available for Baptisms.*

#### Eucharistic Adoration

Wednesdays after 9.30am Mass until 9pm  
1st Saturday from 7.30pm to 9.30am Sunday



#### THE FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION

Saturday, 15th August 2015  
Masses at 9.30am & 6.30 pm

"Taken up into heaven, Mary shows us the way to God, the way to heaven, the way to life. She shows it to her children baptized in Christ and to all people of good will."

Pope John Paul II

# This Week's Notices

## PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES

Director: Fr. J. Gillespie. 23rd to 28th August. From Knock (bus extra). 5 nights full board €699 per person sharing. For further details and to book please contact K. McKeague 9121551.

## MASS TO HONOUR MARY, MOTHER OF JESUS

at The Celtic Prayer Garden, the IOSAS Centre on 15th August, 2015 at 3pm. Refreshments will be served afterwards at The IOSAS Centre. All welcome.

## RAPHOE DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK

This pilgrimage to Knock Shrine will take place on Saturday, 15th August led by Rev. Philip Boyce, DD, O.C.D., Bishop of Raphoe. Mass in Basilica at 3pm. Anointing of the sick and special blessing of the sick during Mass. Confessions from 11am. More information [www.knock-shrine.ie](http://www.knock-shrine.ie).

## FOYER OF LIGHT, CHARITY & LOVE

5 Day Silent Retreat: October 26<sup>th</sup> to November 1st 2015 Cost: £350. Theme: "If you but knew the gift of God...". Preached by Fr. Kilian Byrne. Venue: Dromantine Retreat Centre, Newry, Co. Down. Contact: Helen : 086 1678027, [www.foyerofcharity.ie](http://www.foyerofcharity.ie)

## VINCENT'S (SVP SHOP) - LOWER MAIN STREET

Members of the St Vincent de Paul are appealing to the public to please donate clothes, shoes, and household goods that are in good condition. In particular we need men's clothes at present. We are open Monday to Saturday, 10am to 5.15pm. Please not drop bags at the front doors outside of opening times. These goods can get wet and sometimes do not get to the people for whom they are intended. Also, could you give an hour or so of your time to help us in our shop? We need volunteers to help sort donated goods. Any time you could give us would be really appreciated.

## CURSILLO ULTREYA

Will take place in the Church of the Irish Martyrs on Sunday, 9th August at 8pm.

## HSE RETIRED GROUP NIGHT OUT

Dinner and Dance in Rosapenna Hotel, Downings on Sunday, 16th August at 6.30pm. To book please contact Kathleen 9121551 or Breed 9122605 or Charlie 9126696 by Thursday, 13th August.

## BACK TO SCHOOL BARGAINS & BRIC A BRAC

Sale on in the Old Boy's School, Letterkenny on 22nd August from 10.30am to 12.30pm. In aid of Mary's Meals.

## TRADITIONAL LATIN MASS

The Extraordinary Form. Music by Letterkenny Cathedral Choir in St. Eunan's Cathedral on Saturday, 15th August (Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary) at 4pm. All are very welcome.

## BALLYARE 10K ROAD RACE & 5K FUN WALK

Will be held on Friday, 14th August. Entries for the race will be taken at Diamond Park, Ballyare with registrations for the walk at Carr's of the Diamond. Sponsor Cards are available from Committee Members, Carr's of the Diamond or contact 086 605 2087. The walk starts at 7 with the Road Race starting at 7.30pm. Illistrin Schoolboy/girl Football Club are the beneficiaries of this years event.



This weekend we welcome

Aoibhinn Louise Callan-Gallagher &  
Nicolola Rose Mullan

into God's Community

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