



Holy Trinity Church, Ratoath

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Opening hours for the Parish Office: 10.00am – 1.00pm Monday, Wednesday, Friday

26th June 2022

Eucharistic Adoration on Wednesdays from 10.00am to 7.00pm.

There will be no 12.15pm Mass for the months of July and August.

The Sunday Mass at 12.15pm will resume on Sunday 4th September.

Congratulations to Treasa Deery and Anthony Dowling who were **married** last week.

We welcome Senan Heena, Aoibhin Creagh, Mae Russell and Max Fahey into the Christian community. They were **baptised** recently.

Please **pray for the repose of the soul** of Sheilagh Miller (Birmingham), sister of Ken Brennan (Cabin Hill) who died during the week. May she rest in peace.

Annual Mass at shrine of **St Oliver in Loughcrew** takes place this Sunday 26th June at 3pm. All are welcome.

White Envelopes (Development Fund) €852.85 and **blue envelopes** €2,948.75
Many thanks for your continued support and generosity.

Saint Oliver's Community Centre AGM will take place on Thursday 30th June at 8pm in the Venue Theatre, Ratoath. All are welcome to attend.

Dates for the Diary 2023

Confirmation		Friday 10 th February
First Confessions	For all schools	The week of 5 th to 10 th March
First Communion	Ratoath Junior National School	Saturday 6 th May
	St Paul's National School	Saturday 13 th May
	Rathbeggan National School	Saturday 20 th May

The exact time for all the ceremonies will be decided later, but for now save the dates.

26 June	Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	3 July	Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
7.00pm	Agnes & Michael O'Hare and the deceased members of the family	7.00pm	Silvia Nolan Michael, John & Elizabeth Mulvaney Sean & Maureen Mullen
9.00am		9.00am	Julia, Desmond & James Toole
11.00am	Cathal Dunlop Christy & Christina Rooney Thomas & Margaret Campbell & the deceased members of the family.	11.00am	Anthony & Mary Rafferty Dee Cusack Fairbrother Thomas Shaw Margaret & Luke Ralph & the deceased members of the family. Danny Delaney
12.15pm	Michael Kelly Laura Donohue Sinead Freeman	12.15pm	No Mass

Friday

Mass for all those on the Parish List of the Dead

Universal Synod 2021-2023

Following the engagement by so many people across the Diocese, the diocesan synthesis has been completed and will now be submitted to the National Steering Committee. The synthesis can be viewed on www.dioceseofmeath.ie Thanks to all who took part in the synodal conversations during Lent and to all who completed questionnaires and made submissions.

Below is the conclusion of the synthesis.

Conclusion from the Synodal Synthesis for the Diocese of Meath (part four)

Believing that the Holy Spirit has spoken in this process, and expressing our hope in the same Spirit who guides the Church in all times and places, we wish to offer the following discernment of the fundamental question posed by Pope Francis: What steps does the Spirit invite us to take in order to grow in our “journeying together”?

- Our parishes are struggling and becoming stagnant as places of “communion, participation, and mission”. People are calling for a greater sense of communion, to be invited to participate more actively in the life of the parish, and for a more dynamic liturgical life that is faith-nourishing.
- There is a call for a renewal of the leadership model in the Church. The investment of authority in the ordained ministry is seen as preventing initiative and impeding the faithful in assuming their responsibility for the Church.
- Linked to the issue of leadership is a strong awareness of the lack of involvement of women, young people, and LGBTQ+ people in key areas of the life of the Church. This is experienced as exclusion by some people, and as contrary to the Gospel by those who love the Church.
- There is a sorrowful and painful lament coming from parents and grandparents for the loss of faith among their children and grandchildren. The traditional cooperative faith transmission model of Parish-Home-School is no longer working. Responses indicated a need for faith development at parish level, and a new evangelisation that offers the Christian vision of the human person, leading to interior conversion and intentional discipleship.
- The synodal conversations gave participants a glimpse of what a genuine process of spiritual discernment could be, and there is a clear desire for this kind of approach to be at the heart of the life of the Church. Holy Spirit, teach us the way we must go, and how we are to pursue it!

World Meeting of Families

The 10th World Meeting of Families is taking place this week from 22 - 26 June in Rome on the theme, ‘*Family love: a vocation and a path to holiness.*’ This year’s World Meeting of Families has been adapted to suit the post-pandemic world and therefore will be smaller in terms of the numbers with just 2,000 delegates gathered in Rome.

The Boyne Valley Camino in aid of Peter McVerry Trust will take place on Saturday 9th July. This is a looped route which will begin at St Peter’s Church in Drogheda on Saturday morning. The walk will last approximately 5 hours and will stop for lunch along the way. All funds raised will go towards the charity’s work with people impacted by homelessness across Ireland. For more information, visit pmvtrust.ie or call 01 823 0776

“Walk for Catherine.” At Fairyhouse Racecourse on Saturday July 2nd at 2.00pm in need of Aid of the charity Cry (Cardiac Risk in the Young) also a raffle and lots of prizes. Walk is €15 and children under 12 are free.