



PARISH OF OLDCASTLE / MOYLAGH
34th Sunday of the Year – Feast of Christ the King
26th November 2023

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Please note the new website address!

Mass intentions - Oldcastle

Saturday	7pm	Michael & Rosa Carroll
Sunday	11.30am	Nancy Halpin & decd Fam, Joe Brady & decd Brady family Kilnacrott, Patrick Leo Kilburn.
Tuesday	10am	Celebrants Intentions
Wednesday	7pm	Celebrants Intentions
Thursday	10am	Celebrants Intentions
1st Friday	7pm	List of the Dead – Margaret & John Garrigan, son Sean & decd family Boolies, Peter & Julia Reilly
Saturday	7pm	M/M Tony Reilly, 2 nd Anniv Tom Hughes Summerbank, Michael & Celia Foley & decd family
Sunday	11.30am	M/M Jim Markland (formerly Oldcastle) Anniv Jim McLaverty, Tom Carroll Liss, Peter Hennessey (Jnr) Summerbank

Mass intentions – Moylagh

Saturday	5.45pm	Kate & Joe Gilligan & Fam Ballintogher
Sunday	10am	John & Mary Mangan & Corrigan family
Saturday	5.45pm	Paddy Briody Bellaney (2 nd Anniv) Barney & Christine Grall & decd family
Sunday	10am	

Signed Mass Cards...
Are available in the Sacristy
after all Masses and in the
parochial house Monday and
Thursday 10am – 3pm.
These Masses are offered by
Fr Mark and Religious /
Retired Priests



Adoration of the Most Blessed
Sacrament takes place in the small
Chapel at the back of the church
every Mon & Thurs 9.20am – 9pm.
And in Moylagh
on Tuesdays 1pm – 2pm.

There must be at least two people in
attendance all the time. Going
forward these hours will be
reviewed especially during dark
winter evenings. A meeting will
take place in December with the
parish adorers. Please give some
thought to this. Thank you.

Readers December 2023 Moylagh

5.45pm Vigil
Dawn Fitzsimons
 2nd, 16th & 30th December
Helen Grall
 9th & 23rd December
10am
Fiona Flynn
 3rd, 17th & 31st December
Siobhan Kearney
 10th & 24th Dec

Readers December 2023 Oldcastle

7pm Vigil
Christopher McQuillan
 2nd, 16th & 30th
Sarah McQuillan
 9th & 23rd
11.30am
Donna Cahill
 3rd, 17th & 31st Dec
Pauline Hetherington
 10th & 24th Dec

Eucharistic Ministers
December 2023 Moylagh

5.45pm Vigil
 Nora McDermott
 Cathy Flood

10am
 Rosaleen Smith
 Marie Jacob

Eucharistic Ministers
December 2023 Oldcastle

7pm Vigil
 Margaret McQuillan,
 Paul Smith, Marian Pakenham

11.30am
 Kay Feeney, Brigid McLarney,
 Brendan Brady

A few requests have come in seeking to book Mass intentions on
Christmas Day. No intentions are taken for Christmas Eve or
Christmas day. These Masses are already assigned by the Church
for the 1) The People of the Parish 2) The Popes intentions and 3)
The Celebrants intentions. The same applies for Easter. Thank you
for understanding. Please contact the office to re-arrange bookings.

Pope Pius XI instituted this feast in 1925 with his encyclical Quas primas (“In the first”) to respond to growing secularism and atheism. He recognized that attempting to “thrust Jesus Christ and his holy law” out of public life would result in continuing discord among people and nations. This solemnity reminds us that while governments come and go, Christ reigns as King forever.

A prayer for Priests:

Heavenly Father, grant that our priests be strengthened and healed by the power of the Eucharist they celebrate. May the Word they proclaim give them courage and wisdom. We pray that all those whom they seek to serve may see in them the love and care of Jesus, Our Eternal High Priest, who is Lord for ever and ever. Amen

During the month of November and then on every 1st Friday of the year Mass is offered for all those names written on the Altar list of the Dead. If you would like your loved ones included this year please use the sheets and envelopes available at the back of the church.

It is a holy and a wholesome thought to pray for the dead.

Please note change of Weekday Mass times with effect from 4th December

WEEKDAY Mass Times only – *The Four Sunday Masses remain the same*

Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday at 10am and Friday at 7pm

There will be No Public Mass on Thursdays

Bus from Oldcastle to Navan every Friday. Departs The Square, Oldcastle at 9.30am and returns from Navan at 3pm. This bus does not have to be booked in advance. Free travel Pass holders are free, €4 for an adult return. **Community Car volunteer** Flexibus are looking for people who enjoy driving to give a lift to those living in the community. If you have a morning, afternoon or day to spare during the day, then this might be for you! Call Patricia on 1800 303 707 or email: patricia@locallinklmf.ie

Christmas Bake Sale by Anita Dec 3rd @ 10.30am in Teddy’s Moylagh, all proceeds to the Moylagh JFK Car Fund. Moylagh JFK Committee are looking for more **drivers, to drive Cancer patients for appointments.** anyone interested can contact Marv Guirke (087) 234 6867 Thank you

A sincere thanks to all involved in enhancing our gates in Moylagh.
The Gates were taken down and delivered for painting by Oliver Gibney, Gibney Steel Products.
The Main church gate and gate leading down to the old Hall were cleaned, shot blasted, and painted by Daire Hand, Hand Engineering Ltd. A new bracket was made and gates reinstalled by Oliver Gibney.
 Thank you – a super gift for the parish.

Funerals: Eulogies, speeches or appreciations etc. in the church building at funerals in the Diocese of Meath are forbidden. The Diocesan Pastoral Assembly has recently reiterated this ban. The traditional and proper place for this to take place is in the cemetery after the prayers have been said.

40 Hours Adoration: To celebrate the Solemnity of Christ the King, there will be 40 Hours Adoration in the Cathedral, Mullingar, beginning with Mass at 7:30 pm on Friday, 24th November and concluding with Solemn Vespers and Benediction at 4 pm on Sunday 26th November. It would be wonderful if some members of our Parish took an hour or two during this time.

Last week, priests from the 69 parishes of our Diocese assembled in Cavan to begin a process of reflection on the future of priestly ministry and pastoral life in parishes in the Diocese of Meath. During this assembly, new models of parish life, possible collaborations among parishes, the provision of sacraments, personnel and resources, faith formation and the welfare of priests were considered in the context of the mission of the Church and the desire to sustain vibrant faith communities.

The establishment and supporting of Parish Pastoral Assemblies (PPA) was deemed a necessary structure in every parish. It was also agreed that there would have to be consultation and engagement with local Pastoral Assemblies before any developments occur.

While there are no simple solutions to these issues, parishes are encouraged to commend this work to their prayers as the Diocese, the Diocesan Pastoral Assembly and the various Parish Pastoral Assemblies consider the next steps in the process.

Here in our Parish of Oldcastle and Moylagh we have begun the process to assemble people who will make up a PPA in the next few weeks. About 12 People will be important.