

MASS INTENTIONS

(Saturday 29th April to Sunday 7th May 2023)

MYNA CHURCH

SUN 11.30am. Mass.
WED No Mass.
FRI 8.00pm. Mass.
SUN 11.30am. Tommy Bourke (A), Drunnagh and deceased family members.
Hubert Carolan (A) Carrowhollu and deceased members of Carolan and Kenning families.

FAHY CHURCH

SAT 7.00pm. Mass.
TUE No Mass.
THU 9.30am. Mass for the People of the Parish.
SAT 7.00pm. Sr. Kathleen Mulchrone.
Michael Cusack (A0, Fahy and parents Lizzy and Bill and deceased members of Cusack and Mulroy families.
Patsy O'Donnell, (A) Clogher.
Maudie and John McNally and deceased family members, Ballyglass,

MINISTERS OF THE WORD:

Myna Church: -
Sunday 30th April Sophie Clough
Sunday 7th May Eoghan Amyth.
Fahy Church: -
Saturday 29th April James Johnston
Saturday 6th May Noreen Johnston.

MAY - CHURCH OFFERTORY COLLECTORS:

Myna - Jackie Higgins and Joe Madden.
Fahy - Tommie Duggan

TRÓCAIRE COLLECTION BOXES:

Please return your Trócaire Collection to the church next Sunday or as soon as possible. We would be grateful if you could change small coins into notes or large coins

KILMEENA - FAHY PARISH

NEWSLETTER

Sunday 30th April 2023

Fourth Sunday of Easter

GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY (Day of Prayer for Vocations)



Jesus said " I am the gate. Anyone who enters through me will be safe: he will go freely in and out and be sure of finding pasture. I have come so that they may have life and have it to the full".

Fr. Jim Walsh, P.P.

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PARISH NEWS

VOCATIONS SUNDAY:

Today is Vocations Sunday when we are asked to pray for vocations to the priesthood and religious life. People are asking what is going to happen to the Church in the diocese and in our parish if the shortage of vocations continues. In contrast to the shortage of vocations in Ireland vocations world-wide were never so numerous. Some priests from abroad are already working in parts of the country and it seems more will have to be looked for in the future.

The clearest aspect of God's call in Ireland today is the responsibility Jesus gives to us all in Baptism for the maintenance and future of the church in our own parish. The Parish Pastoral Council is the means specifically designed to give people the opportunity to fulfil this responsibility. Full-time shepherds will always be needed. We pray that young men will respond generously to this special call. We have two students for the diocese at present. One man is due to be ordained in the near future. The second man has only begun his studies.

FEASTS OF THE WEEK:

- Monday:** **1st May - St. Joseph the Worker.** This feast was instituted to remind us of the dignity of human labour and to encourage us to place our work under the patronage of St. Joseph who was himself a tradesman.
- Tuesday:** **St. Athanasius, bishop and doctor of the Church (298-373).** He was bishop of Alexandria in Egypt for 45 years but spent 17 of them in exile for defending the divinity of Jesus Christ against the Arian heresy.
- Wednesday:** **St Philip and St. James, apostles.** Philip was born in Bethsaida. He asked to see Jesus and having met Him identified Him to others. James was son of Alphaeus and a cousin of Jesus. He became bishop of Jerusalem, wrote one of the Epistles and led a life of penance. He was martyred in 62 AD.
- Thursday:** **St. Conleth, bishop.** He was said to be from Wicklow. He was living as a hermit when St. Bridget persuaded him to come and be chaplain for her community in Kildare. He is buried beside her in the great church there.
- Friday:** **Blessed Edmund Rice, religious (1762-1844).** He came from Callan, Co. Kilkenny. After the early death of his young wife he sold his possessions and spent the rest of his life educating the poor. With other like-minded men he founded the Irish Christian Brothers.

TUAM DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE:

The Tuam Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock, led by Archbishop Francis, will take place on next Sunday 7th May. Ceremonies commence at 2.30pm with the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick.

FIRST FRIDAY:

Next Friday is the First Friday in May. Mass in Myna church will be at 8.00pm. Confessions will be heard before Mass.

HOLY COMMUNION will be brought to the sick and house bound in Fahy and Myna church areas on Thursday.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

First Holy Communion for the pupils of Fahy National School will be on next Saturday, 6th May 2023 at 12 noon. First Holy Communion for the pupils of Myna and Carrowholly National Schools will be in Myna Church on Saturday, 13th May 2023 at 12.00 noon.

EASTER COLLECTION:

The Priests' Easter Collection is one of four collections during the year. The collection at Christmas, Easter, Summer and Autumn are the only collections used to support the priests. Thanks for your generous support. Please use the special envelope in the box of envelopes or any envelope marked "Priests Collection." You can leave your offering in the Letter box at the Parochial House. Should you wish to pay on-line, the Priests' Revenue account - (iban IE95AIBK93716917205014). Please remember to include your name and envelope number.

DIOCESAN ACCOUNTANT JOB VACANCY:

Tuam Archdiocese seeks applications from suitably qualified persons for the full-time position of Diocesan Accountant. Applications with up-to-date C V to Diocesan Secretary, Archbishop House, Tuam, Co Galway. H54 HP57 by 5.00pm on 12th May 2023.

DIOCESAN PASTORAL RESOURCE PERSON

Tuam Archdiocese seeks applications from suitably qualified persons for the full-time position of Diocesan Pastoral Resource Person. It will be a two-year contract. Salary will be commensurate with experience. Applications to the Diocesan Secretary, Archbishop House, Tuam, Co Galway. H54 HP57 by 5.00pm on 12th May 2023.

KNOCK MINI-VIGIL on Friday evening, May 5th, in Knock Parish Church. These public vigils have been a very special element of the pilgrimage season at Knock Shrine for many years and offer an opportunity to come together for a quiet evening of communal prayer. Confessions will be available in the Chapel of Reconciliation from 8pm to 9pm. The programme for the vigil will commence at 9pm. It will include Rosary, Holy Hour and the celebration of the Mass. The evening will conclude at 12 Midnight.