



**NEWSLETTER**  
**The Second Sunday of Lent**  
**Sunday the 1<sup>st</sup> March 2026**  
**DUNSHAUGHLIN/CULMULLEN PARISH**  
**‘Pastoral Area’ - the Parishes of**



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### **Lent a long Retreat**

The forty days of Lent can be compared to a long retreat.

A time when we turn back to God and listen **with the ear of the heart** to what He is saying to us. We open our hearts and minds as we reflect on the Word of God. Through prayer we come to a deeper relationship with Jesus in whom we place all our hope and our trust. Each day that comes is a Lenten Day a day to respond to the challenge of Ash Wednesday.

**‘Turn away from sin and believe in the Gospel’.**

### **Do this in Memory**

We welcome children for First Communion and their parents to Masses next Sunday in Dun and Culmullen Churches. We pray for them as they prepare for their First Confession.

First Confessions for children of St Seachnall’s N.S. on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> of March at 7pm in Dunshaughlin church.

### **First Friday**

Fr Sean and Fr Joe will call with Holy Communion on Friday next.

### **Baptised and Sent in Lent**

Prayer Service with Scripture for the Wednesdays of Lent.

We read the Gospel of the following Sunday, we reflect on its message and pray. We invite all of our Parish Prayer Groups to join us for this prayer service each Wednesday beginning on the 4<sup>th</sup> at March at 7:30 pm.

### **Weekly Parish Envelopes**

The envelopes for 2026/27 are being prepared at present. If you would like to contribute to the parish and receive a box of envelopes please contact the [office@dcparish.ie](mailto:office@dcparish.ie)

**Welcome to the Community of Faith – Recently Baptised**  
**Jacob Mahood, Kelletts Grove & Maeva O’Mahony, Fairfield.**

### **We remember in Prayer**

**Margaret Forde, Drumree Road. May she rest in Peace**

## Mass intentions

<b>Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> February</b>	<b>Cul Vigil 6pm</b>	Bronagh Daly;
<b>Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> February</b>	<b>Dunsh Vigil 7pm</b>	Rose, Martin & Seamus Rowley; Bill Murphy;
<b>Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> March</b>	<b>Cul 10:30</b>	Daniel Hayes M.M. Bridget & Patrick Doyle; Stephen & Mary Burke & Dec'd Family;
<b>Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> March</b>	<b>Dunsh 12noon</b>	Raymond Argue;
<b>Friday 6<sup>th</sup> February</b> First Friday	<b>Cul 9am</b>	LOD; Dunsh 10am LOD;
<b>Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> March</b>	<b>Dunsh Vigil 7pm</b>	Joan Kelly;
<b>Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> March</b>	<b>Cul 10:30am</b>	James & Hannah McManus; Gerry Watters;
<b>Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> March</b>	<b>Dunsh 12noon</b>	Noel Larkin;

### Saints Helping us Today



Join us during Lent for 6 sessions exploring how saints help us today every Thursday 8 – 9.15 pm in the Pastoral Centre. All are very welcome, just turn up on the night.

### Young Adults Retreat for Lent

Dalgan Park 20<sup>th</sup> to 2<sup>nd</sup> March, prayer with other young people inspiring talks and friendship. Email [youthretreats@gmail.com](mailto:youthretreats@gmail.com)

### Light the Fire

The Franciscan Sister of the Renewal invite you to Slane on St Patrick's Day. The evening begins with Reflection on the Life of St Patrick and Vespers on the Hill of Slane at 5.15 pm. Mass in St Patrick's Church Slane at 6.30 pm  
Contact Sisters at 041 – 983 0441.

### Prayer for Vocations

Holy Hour for Vocations to the priesthood will take place in St Colmcille's Church, Kells on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March from 7 pm till 8 pm [www.meathvocations.com](http://www.meathvocations.com)

### The World Day of Prayer

Takes place on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March. Local celebration of the day will be held in Culmullen Church at 11am with refreshments afterwards. Everyone welcome.

### Trócaire

Please take a Trócaire Box for your home and perhaps give one to family members or a neighbour every little helps a lot, for alleviation of hunger and need in the world.

### Meath Alzheimer Café

The next meeting of the Meath Alzheimer Café will take place on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> March from 7–9pm, Pastoral Centre, Dunshaughlin. Our guest speaker is from the Citizens Information and will talk about the services that they offer.

### Pioneer Total Abstinence Association of the Sacred Heart

Meeting Friday, March 6<sup>th</sup> at 7.30 pm in the Pastoral Centre. May Tuite 087 133 4872

### Prayer

Most Glorious God, enlighten the darkness of our hearts, give us true faith, certain hope perfect charity and knowledge so that we may carry out your holy will.

