



**NEWSLETTER**  
**The Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**Sunday the 15<sup>th</sup> February 2026**  
**DUNSHAUGHLIN/CULMULLEN PARISH**  
**'Pastoral Area' - the Parishes of**



**Ardcath, Ashbourne, Curraha, Ratoath and Skryne,**  
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## **Confirmation**

We congratulate the boys and girls who received their Confirmation on Friday last. We pray for them and their parents that the gift of the Holy Spirit may strengthen them in their journey of faith

## **Ash Wednesday**

The Season of Lent begins on Wednesday next, forty days of prayer after the example of the Lord Jesus who spent forty days in the desert.

Ashes will be blessed and distributed at all Masses;

**Masses as follows; *Culmullen 9 am Dunshaughlin 10.00 am and 7 pm.***

Ash Wednesday is to be observed as a day of penance in the whole Church.

## **It is a day of Fast and Abstinence**

The words on taking of ashes are 'Turn away from sin and believe in the Gospel'. Trócaire Boxes, are available in the Churches, please take one and use in your household so that you can give alms to help the poor and the homeless.

## **Today Sunday - Day of Prayer for Lent**

Pioneer Total Abstinence Association of the Sacred Heart. People who wish to take a short term pledge for Lent are invited to visit [www.pioneers.ie](http://www.pioneers.ie) or contact May Tuite at 086 – 1334872.

## **Day of Prayer for survivors and victims of Abuse**

A day of Prayer will be observed on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> February. Special prayers at Masses and lighting of a candle to remember all those who have been abused.

## **Welcome to the Community of Faith – Recently Baptised**

**Shéa Breslin**, Willow Avenue, Oisín McCarthy, Pelletstown,

**Ben O'Reilly**, Lagore Road, **Gracie Moran**, Kilmessan, **Páidí Smith**, Willow Drive, **Elsie Phelan**, Baltrasna & **Jordan Jackson**, Lagore Green.

## **We remember in Prayer**

The soul of **Jimmy Hegarty**, Trim, (father of Seamus Hegarty, Derrockstown)

## Mass intentions

<b>Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> February</b>	<b>Cul Vigil 6pm</b>	Agnes Smith;
<b>Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> February</b>	<b>Dunsh Vigil 7pm</b>	Henry Brady M.M. John Gear; Bernard & Angie Reilly & Dec'd Family members;
<b>Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> February</b>	<b>Dunsh 12noon</b>	Ollie & Maura O'Neill; Anne & Aidan O'Riordan;
<b>Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> February</b>	<b>Dunsh 10am</b>	John Smith;
<b>Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> February</b>	<b>Cul 9am</b>	Karen Byrne
<b>Friday 20<sup>th</sup> February</b>	<b>Dunsh 10am</b>	Special Intention;
<b>Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> February</b>	<b>Dunsh 10am</b>	Thomas & Bridget Clusker;
<b>Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> February</b>	<b>Cul Vigil 6pm</b>	Maureen & Larry Geraghty; Packie & Maureen Doyle & Son Enda & Christine & Peter O'Reilly;
<b>Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> February</b>	<b>Dunsh Vigil 7pm</b>	Rita O'Dwyer; Mick O'Brien; Eamon Maher;
<b>Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> February</b>	<b>Dunsh 9am</b>	Taylor Stewart;
<b>Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> February</b>	<b>Dunsh 12noon</b>	Christine Ormsby;

### Parish Pastoral Council

The next Meeting of the PPC will take place in the Pastoral Centre on Wed at 7.30 pm. Recently Pastoral Areas were established by the Bishop to enable parishes to work together, Share resources and come to know and support each other..

Our Pastoral Area, is called 'Dunshaughlin Pastoral Area' involving the Parishes of Ardcath, Ashbourne, Curraha, Dunshaughlin, Ratoath and Skryne.

### Saints Helping us Today



Join us during Lent for 6 sessions exploring how saints help us today. Starting on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> February 8 – 9.15 pm in the Pastoral Centre. All are very welcome, just turn up on the night.

### 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 our Parish Prayer Groups to join us for this prayer service each Wednesday beginning on the 4<sup>th</sup> at March at 7 pm

### Active First Responders

Annual Pancake Day Fundraiser Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> March 10am - 3pm Pastoral Centre.

### Family Carers Ireland

Are conducting the State of Caring 2026 Survey. If you would like to give your view contact [imurphy@familycarers.ie](mailto:imurphy@familycarers.ie) or tel 086 – 0326187.

### Forms of Penance during Lent

Abstaining from meat or some other food each Friday in memory of the Lords Passion.

Abstaining from alcohol and cigarettes or vaping.

Making a special effort to pray as a family at home.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and making the Stations of the Cross.

Giving up some food or luxury for the benefit of others, using the Trócaire Box.

Helping the poor the sick, the elderly and the lonely.

Mass on Sundays and if possible during the week