



NEWSLETTER
The First Sunday of Lent
Sunday the 22nd February 2026
DUNSHAUGHLIN/CULMULLEN PARISH
‘Pastoral Area’ - the Parishes of



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First Sunday of Lent

Lent commenced on Wednesday with the ashes, a sign of our determination to make this time of the year different. We are encouraged to spend time in prayer, attend daily Mass & say the Rosary. During Lent we are reminded of those who are in need, we take our Trócaire Box so that we may make our contribution to alleviate hunger and depravation in the world. Lent urges us towards ‘metanoia’ a change of heart, on receiving the ashes we heard the words; Turn away from sin and believe in the Gospel. Confession is recommended during Lent, and the stations of the cross. Make this Lent different.

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 4th at March at 7 pm.

Weekly Parish Envelopes

The envelopes for 2026/27 are now ready for collection. If you have not being receiving an envelope and would like to contribute and receive a box please contact office@dcparish.ie

Meet and Greet

Takes place after 12noon Mass, this Sunday Dunshaughlin. Join us for our monthly Cuppa & Chat.

We remember in Prayer

The soul of **Martin Kelly**, Roestown, and **Joe Dowd**, England, brother of Val Dowd, Rathill, May he rest in peace.

Mass intentions

Saturday 21st February	Cul Vigil 6pm	Maureen & Larry Geraghty; Packie & Maureen Doyle & Son Enda & Christine & Peter O'Reilly;
Saturday 21st February	Dunsh Vigil 7pm	Rita O'Dwyer; Mick O'Brien; Eamon Maher;
Sunday 22nd February	Dunsh 9am	Taylor Stewart; Mary Egan;
Sunday 22nd February	Dunsh 12noon	Christine Ormsby;
Monday 23rd February	Dunsh 10am	Alice & Mike Folan;
Tuesday 24th February	Dunsh 10am	Jack & Ruth Stewart;
Friday 27th February	Dunsh 10am	Michael Mahon;
Saturday 28th February	Cul Vigil 6pm	Bronagh Daly;
Saturday 28th February	Dunsh Vigil 7pm	Rose, Martin & Seamus Rowley; Bill Murphy;
Sunday 1st March	Cul 10:30	Daniel Hayes M.M. Stephen & Mary Burke & Family; Bridget & Patrick Doyle;
Sunday 1st March	Dunsh 12noon	Raymond Argue;

Parish Pastoral Council

The next Meeting of the PPC will take place in the Pastoral Centre on Wed at 7.30 pm. Pastoral Areas have been 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 Ardcaith, Ashbourne, Curraha, Dunshaughlin, Ratoath and Skryne.

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.

Trócaire

Trócaire Lenten Appeal this year will focus on Rwanda. It is a small country half the size of Ireland, with a much larger population around 13 million people Rwanda's population is built on farming small plots of land. The country endures regular drought, floods, pests, and diseases. Please take a Trócaire Box for your home and perhaps give one to family members of neighbours, every little helps a lot, you can do your bit for alleviation of hunger.

A Prayer for Lent

Lord, in this time of prayer and fasting may we learn to share our bread with the hungry and the needy, so as to receive the reward promised to all who see in the needy the face of your Son Jesus, Christ our Lord.



'A pure heart create for me O Lord, give me again the joy of your help'

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