

Fossa Parish Pastoral Council and Finance Committee offer “Céad Mile Fáilte” to all our visitors. We invite you to consider supporting the upkeep of our Christ, the Prince of Peace Church and grounds by means of our “Donate a Slate” campaign as outlined in the Porch. Mile buíochas.

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

**Priest:** Mindful of God’s love for us, we make our prayers with confidence.

1. For all the baptised, may they always live as followers of Jesus Christ.  
*Lord, hear us.*
2. For the children preparing for Confirmation, may the Lord bless them as his witnesses.  
*Lord, hear us.*
3. Mindful of voting in next Friday’s Referenda, we pray that it may be a time when all in Ireland renew their appreciation of family, home and marriage as central to the wellbeing and happiness of all people  
*Lord, hear us.*
4. We pray that ‘care for people of all ages in their time of need’ may be there through both government funded services, and the goodness and kindness of family members and neighbours.  
*Lord, hear us.*
5. For our own personal prayers ..... *Lord, hear us.*
6. For those who have died ..... *Lord, hear us.*

**Priest:** Heavenly Father, send your Spirit into our hearts so that we may become your faithful witnesses in our world. We make this our prayer through Christ our Lord. Amen.

MASS IN THE CHURCH THIS WEEK		The Irish Catholic is available at the back of the church. Price €3.00
Tuesday	- 7.00pm	
Friday	- 7.30pm	
Saturday	<i>Vigil</i> - 7.30pm	
Sunday	- 10.00am	

**OFFERTORY COLLECTION:** Fossa Finance Committee thank you for your contribution of €613.65 in support of our Parish last week. *Mile Buíochas.*

**ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT** starting next Tuesday 5th March at 6.pm before 7.00pm Mass

**THE KNOCK AND LOURDES PILGRIMAGE** The dates for our Knock and Lourdes pilgrimages are : **Knock**, Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> August. **Lourdes**, Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> to Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> Sept. This year we hope to have all elements of our **Lourdes Pilgrimage**: The assisted-pilgrims, a full team to care for them, youth from some Secondary Schools, and ordinary pilgrims.

**‘HOOK OF FAITH’ WEBINAR** on Priestly Vocations on Tuesday 5th March from 8pm to 9pm. For further details please email [thehookoffaith@gmail.com](mailto:thehookoffaith@gmail.com)

PARISH MASSES /ANNIVERSARIES		
Mick & Dora Walsh & their son Philip	-	Sat 2nd March 7.30pm
John Cronin	-	Sun 3rd March 10.00am
Patrick & Mary O’Sullivan	-	Sat 9th March 7.30pm
Daniel & Mary Cronin & Sheila Taylor	-	Sun 10th March 10.00am

**Parish Gathering** Takes place on **Tuesday 5th March at 7.30pm in the Church.** In his Pastoral Letter, *Moving Forward in Hope*”, Bishop Ray invites all parishioners to participate in a consultation process to shape the future of pastoral areas and parishes.in our Diocese. As preparation for the gathering, you are invited to reflect on the following three questions:

- Without the presence of a priest to lead and coordinate, what aspects of parish life could we, the laity, take responsibility for and organise ourselves?
- Where do we see scope for cooperation with neighbouring parishes in our pastoral area?
- Given what Bishop Ray has said about reducing numbers and increasing age, what do we want to say to priests?

**DIOCESAN YOUTH PILGRIMAGE TO TAIZÉ, FRANCE**  
Interested in coming to Taizé this June? The diocese will be taking a group of young adults on this amazing pilgrimage from Sunday, June 23<sup>rd</sup> to Sunday June 30<sup>th</sup> 2024. Please contact Tomás Kenny for more information on 086 3683778 or email Tomás at [tomaskenny@dioceseofkerry.ie](mailto:tomaskenny@dioceseofkerry.ie).

**SYNOD OF BISHOPS - FEEDBACK NEEDED**  
The Synod of Bishops in Rome wants to hear from parishioners throughout the world about the progress that is being made in sharing responsibility for the work and mission of the Church on the ground, and asks for ideas about how this can be done better. To contribute to the Irish Church's response to this request, or to find out more, please visit [www.dioceseofkerry.ie/synod](http://www.dioceseofkerry.ie/synod).

REFLECTION

Lord, make the door of this church wide enough  
to receive all who need human love and fellowship,  
narrow enough to shut out all pride, envy, and strife.  
Make its threshold smooth enough  
to be no stumbling block to children or to straying feet.  
Make this church a house of prayer  
and a gateway to your kingdom.

We spend money on foods that don’t satisfy. We drink and we still thirst. O God, you are the water that quenches; the food that delights. Help us all come to the water; let us seek and find you. Bless our thirst. Let us drink. *(Ann Osdieck)*

FINAL BLESSING

May you be strong in faith and active in good works.  
May you do with loving hearts what the Lord asks of us.  
And may your worship of God be reflected in the way you live.







