



# OLDCASTLE & MOYLAGH PARISH



**1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Lent**


**Fr Ray Kelly P.P**

**13<sup>th</sup>/14<sup>th</sup> February 2016**

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Parish Website [oldcastleandmoylaghparish.com](http://oldcastleandmoylaghparish.com)

Church Services & Mass Intentions

Masses			OLDCASTLE	
	Saturday (vigil)	7.00pm	M/M Mary Hussey Tubride, Anniv Tracey Brady Fennor also Frank O'Reilly Millbrook Rd	
	Sunday	11.30am	Alice & Jack McGovern St Brigid's Tce, Peter & Rita Tuite Boolies, Teresa & Terence Moore & daughter Bridie	
	Monday	7.00pm		
	Tuesday	10.00am		
	Wednesday	7.00pm		
	Thursday	10.00am		
	Friday	7.00pm	Joe Smith St Brigid's Tce also Patrick & Margaret Tynan & decd family	
	Saturday (vigil)	7.00pm	Jim Monaghan & decd family members also Decd members of Fitzsimons family Upper Fennor	
	Sunday	11.30am	M/M Eddie Fitzgerald Park View	
				MOYLAGH
	Saturday (vigil)	5.45pm		M/M Willie McDermott Knocklough also Anniv Barney & Rose Dolan Ballyfore
	Sunday	10.00am		1 <sup>st</sup> Anniv Patty Grall Baltrasna Peter & Mary Fox Knocklough
	Saturday (vigil)	5.45pm		
	Sunday	10.00am		
Eucharistic Adoration	Monday/Thursday	9.20am/ 9.00pm	In Oldcastle	
Confessions	Tuesday	1pm/ 2pm	In Moylagh	
			On request in both Churches	

Please note e-mail address [oldcastleparish@gmail.com](mailto:oldcastleparish@gmail.com) can be used for notices for Mass Bulletin

Visit our new Parish Website at [www.oldcastleandmoylaghparish.com](http://www.oldcastleandmoylaghparish.com)



**In Memory** Kindly remember in your prayers the repose of the soul of **Regina McMahon Kilbeggan** (sister of Fr Ray), **Phil Lynch Millbrook**, **Janet Delaney Loughcrew**, **Joe Smith Kells** (father of Helen Smith Millbrook) **Mel Hussey Moate** who died recently. May they rest in peace.

**Altar Servers for Oldcastle Church W/End 13<sup>th</sup>/14<sup>th</sup> Feb Groups 3 & 4 - W/End 20<sup>th</sup>/21<sup>st</sup> Feb Groups 5 & 1.**

**St Vincent de Paul Confidential Helpline Phone 087 4191457 .**

**VINCENT'S (St. Vincent de Paul) Shop – Opening Hours 11am to 1pm Thursday, Friday and Saturday and 2.00 pm to 4.30 pm on Thursday & Friday.** We would be grateful for donations of good quality clean clothes.

**Readers for February 2016 at St Brigid's Church, Oldcastle.**

**Brendan Brady 7.00pm Sat 6<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup> February 2016**  
**Pat Gibney 11.30am Sun 7<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup> February 2016**

**Pauline Hetherton 7.00pm Sat 13<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup> February 2016**  
**Michelle Costello Smith 11.30am Sun 14<sup>th</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup> February 2016**



The local conference of the SVP would like to sincerely thank everyone who gave so generously to the annual Christmas appeal. We are very grateful to every individual and all the organisations for donations which allow us to continue with our work, in very challenging times. Your generosity as always is greatly appreciated.

## **LENT - Ash Wednesday Note Mass at 10.00am & 7pm in Moylagh and 11.30am & 7.00pm in Oldcastle**

The Gospel for Ash Wednesday gives us our Lenten Programme. The receiving of ashes is its outward sign. The Ashes which are placed on our foreheads are made from the palm branches used last year on Palm Sunday. They remind us that the glory of heaven will be reached only by a life marked with love of God and love of neighbour. Such love arises only when we remember our own need for forgiveness and God's gift of that forgiveness in and through Christ. Such love is only possible when we put others before ourselves. Family life is a great school of love. The daily routines of family and friendship demand selflessness. Others have to come first. The daily practice of this love can transform a home into a holy place. During the Season of Lent we are encouraged to take on a life of Prayer, Fasting and Almsgiving.

**LENT - Prayer.** Lent is a call to deeper reflection on faith, sustained by prayer. Opportunities are available for people to join in prayer over the days of Lent. Why not commit yourself to daily Mass or on a few days of the week. As the Gospel of this week-end reminds us "Man does not live on bread alone but on every word that comes from the mouth of God" Eucharistic Adoration is another great way of personal communication with Our God. Why not spend 1 hour with him once a week during the Season of Lent.

**Fasting Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are still days of fasting and abstinence.** However, it would be good to challenge yourself to go beyond these formal obligations. Young people should be encouraged to take part in the 24 hour Trocaire fasts that are organised in many areas.



**Almsgiving Trocaire Boxes** are available now in the Church. Please take home. The focus of this year's Trocaire Lenten campaign is on ***joining the fight for justice***. Even a small donation can make such a difference to the lives of many in 3rd World Countries. "***A little bit of mercy makes the world less cold and more just***" **Pope Francis**

**Stations of the Cross During the Season of Lent** will be held every **Friday evening at 6.30pm before the 7.00pm Mass** in St Brigid's Church, Oldcastle. There will also be an **evening Mass in Oldcastle on Monday evenings at 7.00pm** during the season of Lent.

**Message from Pioneer Association:** Lent is an opportune time to consider taking a break from alcohol and to perhaps reflect on our relationship with it. There is an immediate financial benefit as well as developing a positive impact on one's physical and mental health. So we are inviting you to make this commitment for Lent and to offer the sacrifice up as a prayer for someone you know who has a problem with alcohol or drugs. Do something special this Lent! Many people choose to abstain from alcohol for the duration of Lent. Take this opportunity to help someone you know with an alcohol or drug problem by offering up your sacrifice as a prayer for their freedom and well-being. Take the short-term pledge and make a difference to someone's life. For more information visit [www.pioneerassociation.ie](http://www.pioneerassociation.ie) or contact your local pioneer centre.

**Gilson NS** is currently accepting applications for enrolment of pupils for the 2016-2017 school year. Closing date for enrolment is March 16<sup>th</sup>. Enrolment forms are available from school office.

**Pioneer Association** Many people abstain from alcohol and take the SHORT-TERM PLEDGE for the duration of Lent. Make your Lenten Pledge by visiting [www.pioneerassociation.ie](http://www.pioneerassociation.ie) and joining on line.

**Moylagh JFK 50 mile Launch Walk** on Sunday 14th Feb at 2pm from Moylagh Centre so come & join us for a lovely scenic 8 mile walk photo shoot before at 1.30 pm light refreshments served

**BALLROOM CLASSES** Please note Ballroom Dance classes are taking a break and will be back in action on **Monday April 4th** from 8.30pm to 10.30pm in Ballinacree Community Centre. Take to the floor and master the Waltz, Quick Step, Jive, Cha Cha Cha, Tango, Foxtrot and many more. €8 per person. These weekly classes suit all ages, levels, couples and individuals very welcome. Light refreshments will be served. For further information please contact James & Bernie Farrelly on 086-2003739.

**Your Inner Artist Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> February at 10.30am – 1pm in Ballinacree Community Centre.** Six week series of adult workshops to engage creativity "discover hidden talents, express yourself and switch off the inner critic" Keep an artist journal, use a range of materials and techniques and have fun! Suitable for creative people or those who want to get in touch with their creativity, no previous experience required. Participants report increased confidence in themselves and abilities; renewed love of creativity; enhanced well being and commitment to creative pursuit. This course will cost €10 in total including refreshments. **Please note there will be a weekly charge of €4 towards Materials.**

**Other courses coming soon include:** Mindfulness; Memoir Writing; Creative Sewing; Stress Management & Positive Parenting. To book any of the above courses, please contact Bridgid on 086-1043352 or Mary on 087-6566421. All courses are funded by the LMETB.

**Moylagh Community Centre & GAA Club Blotto** No Winner. Numbers drawn were 17,18,19,22. Jackpot €3,200.00  
Next draw in Ita Halpins Fore on 22<sup>nd</sup> Feb 2016.

**Oldcastle Alzheimer's Day Care Centre Committee** are hosting a fundraising event "***The Kube***" (as seen on TV) @ Crover House Hotel Mountnugent on the evening of ***Fri 1st of April*** ... Contestants interested please contact ... 086 1096783 ... 086 8912106 ... 086 8190240

## **Calendar of Events in the Parish for the Year 2016**

### **First Confessions**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Class Scoil Mhuire, Moylagh** in Moylagh Church on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> March, 2016 @ 7.30pm  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Class Gilson School** in St Brigid's Church, Oldcastle on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2016 @ 7.00pm

### **Confirmation Oldcastle/Moylagh**

St Brigid's Church Oldcastle Friday 15<sup>th</sup> April 2016 @ 3.00pm

### **First Holy Communion**

**Moylagh** Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2016 @ 11am      **Oldcastle** Saturday 7th May 2016 @ 11am

### **Cemetery Mass & Blessing of the Graves**

**Oldcastle** Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> June 2016 @ 7.00pm

**Moylagh** Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> June 2016 @ 10.00am

### **Loughcrew Sunday 2016**

Mass of St Oliver Plunkett on **Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> June, 2016** @ 3.00pm



