

## Parish of Murhaun

Saturday 13th Feb. 7.00 p.m. Maureen Mulvey (Months Memory) Sunday 14th Feb 9.00 a.m. Pro Populo. Sunday 14th Feb 11.30 a.m.

Masses Monday 15th Feb — Sunday 21st Feb 2021.

Mon. 9.00 a.m. (Convent)

Tue. 7.00 p.m. (Convent)

Wed 9.00 a.m. (Convent)

Wed 7.00 p.m. (Parish Church ) Jim, Florrrie & Brian McGourty and Gerry Keane.

Thu. 9.00 a.m. (Convent)

Fri. 9.00 a.m. (Convent)

Fri 7.00 p.m. (Parish Church) Larry Walsh & deceased family members.

Sat. 10.00 a.m.(Convent)

Sat 7.00 p.m. (Parish Church) John & Brigid Flanagan.

Sun 9.00 a.m. (Convent ) Pro Populo

Sun 11.30 a.m. (Parish Church) Vincie & Rose McGovern & deceased family members.

**<u>Recently deceased</u>**: We remember in our prayer Marcus McFadden, late of Toastal Terrace, Nellie McGovern, Carrick Road ,Sean Reynolds, Carrickbawn and Arigna and David Kelly, Longford. May they now be at home in the family of God's house forever at peace. Amen

**NEW COURSE At Drumshanbo Enterprise Centre:** Beginners course in- Using the Internet and sending emails: Learning on Line courses – Digital Learning - Zoom, Getting familiar with Information Technology, Banking-on-line. 0876312708 or 0879469356.

<u>Drumshanbo Tidy Towns</u>: Large Clean up March 7th @ 10 a.m. on all roads leading to town. Residents, neighbours and friends are asked to come together in a safe manner to create community spirit. More details to follow.

<u>The Joe Mooney Summer School Committee</u>: Due to the ongoing Covid-19 pandemic, the summer school will not take place this year. The overriding factor in the decision is the health and safety of our participants, tutors, visitors and local community. More details on the website and Facebook page.

<u>Alcohol: The Challenge of Moderation</u> Alcohol confronts us with our own frailty and weakness. Even those who are not addicted need the support of a higher power in the journey through life if we are to avoid the perils of addiction. We need the support of friends, of family and of God. Indeed, there may be people around us who need our support. The love and support of God is mediated through people just like us when we reach out to others, bringing God's love and care into our world. (Pastoral Letter from the Irish Catholic Bishops' Conference) Webcam : Churchtv.ie/drumshanbo. www.drumshanboparish@gmail.com...select webcam Facebook: drumshanboparish. Day of Prayer for Temperance.

This coming week begins the Holy time of Lend on Ash Wednesday. Sadly there will be no public Mass or distribution of Ashes this year—another "Lenten Sacrifice" in this year of many sacrifices. It could be true to say we are all "doing Lent" since last St. Patrick's Day.

The Liturgy Committee for the Diocese have prepared a Lenten Pack for each family to take home with them from Ash Wednesday.

Pack to include:

1. A small envelope with Blessed Ashes from the morning Mass on Ash Wednesday. On the Envelope will be printed a short ritual for the home.

2. A folded one page, with the Stations of the Cross, using images and short text

3. A Postcard with the Breastplate of St. Patrick, people would be invited to send this to neighbours in Nursing Homes, or Isolating at home.

4. A 'Journeying Through Lent' Sheet: This would mention the elements of Lent, and give suggestions for prayer.

5. A card with prayers for Children preparing for the sacraments this year.

6. These would be placed in white envelopes, label on the outside:'Our Journey Through Lent'

These packs will be available from Tuesday in the Church.

We always associate Lent with the Trocaire Box. Please take home your Trocaire box with your Lenten Pack also.

We hope to also provide a printable sheet for Lectio Divina for Sundays of Lent.

Lenten Thought:

What to give up for Lent 2021?

May Grumbling, Irritability, Cynicism, Apathy, Hostility and Negativity among other things we might consider giving up.

There is room for taking up during Lent - Kindness, Encouragement, Graciousness, Patience, Tenderness, Selflessness ......ah! There is so much we could take up that could make a real difference, lengthen our days and shorten the Lent. (Fr. Vincent Sherlock)