



# *Ardagh and Moydow*

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## **Weekday Masses**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Church</b>	<b>Intentions</b>
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> September	10.00am	Ardagh	Holy Souls (St. Andrew Kim Taegon & Martyrs)
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> September	10.00am	Ardagh	Holy Souls (St Matthew)
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> September	10.00am	Ardagh	Holy Souls (followed by Holy Hour)
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> September	7.30pm	Moydow	Feast of St Pio
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> September	7.30pm	Moydow	Paddy and Kathleen Farrell (Anniversary)

## **Weekend Masses**

Saturday 18 <sup>th</sup> September	7.30pm	Moydow	Tom Prunty (1 <sup>st</sup> Anniversary)
Sunday 19 <sup>th</sup> September	11.00am	Ardagh	John and Josephine Smith (Anniversary)
Saturday 25 <sup>th</sup> September	1.00pm	Ardagh	Christening
	7.30pm	Moydow	Pat Maguire (3 <sup>rd</sup> Anniversary)
Sunday 26 <sup>th</sup> September	11.00am	Ardagh	Michael and Bridget Reynolds (Anniversary)
			P J Keenan (Anniversary)

## **People on duty next weekend:**

<b>Ministry</b>	<b>Ardagh</b>	<b>Moydow</b>
<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	Ann Marie McLoughlin	Mary Donlon
<b>Ministers of the Word</b>	Bernadette Shea	Linda Dowler

## **Rest in Peace:**

We pray for the happy repose of the soul of Kathleen Coupland (née Doyle), who died in England last weekend. Kathleen was a sister of Miko Doyle, Moydow and her funeral will take place in England on 8<sup>th</sup> October. Sincere sympathy to all her family. A month's mind Mass for Kathleen will take place in Moydow Church on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> October at 7.30pm.

### **The kind of person one is:**

When Nelson Mandela was a student lawyer in Johannesburg he had a friend whose name was Paul Mahabane, who was a member of the African National Congress (ANC), and had the reputation of being a radical. One day the two men were standing outside a post office when the local magistrate, a white man in his sixties, approached Mahabane and asked him to go inside to buy some stamps. It was quite common in those days for a white person to call on a black person to perform a chore. Paul refused. The magistrate was offended. "Do you know who I am"? he said, his face turning red with anger. "It is not necessary to know who you are" Mahabane replied. I know what you are.

The white man was convinced that he was superior to Mahabane because he was the magistrate. We tend to define and evaluate people in terms of the job that they do. If we learn that a person is a doctor, our estimation of the person soars. But if we learn that the person is an ordinary worker, our estimation stays earthbound. There is something more important than the job, namely the human being behind the job. The mistake the apostles made was to put the job, or the position, first. In their eyes, the greatest among them was the one who had the highest position. But Jesus told them that his kingdom was not about seeking honour and glory for oneself, but about serving others. It's not what I do but what I am that is important. One's self worth should not depend on the work one does. If we want to feel proud of ourselves, we got to do the things we can be proud of. Feelings follow actions. Jesus tells us that these actions are of love and service.

### **Ballymahon Tractor Run:**

A Tractor run in aid of Ballymahon Day Care Centre takes place on 3<sup>rd</sup> October, starting from Centra, Ballymahon. Meeting at 11am for registration. Cost per tractor is €20. Covid guidelines must be adhered to. Please support as the Day Care Centre is a lifeline to so many people from the surrounding parishes. If you can help on the day or would like to donate a spot prize please contact Darren on 086 1704394.

### **Hospice Coffee Morning:**

Thursday next 23<sup>rd</sup> September is National Hospice Coffee Morning/Day. Due to the ongoing Covid-19 situation there will be no coffee morning in Ardagh this year. There is a box in Lyons's shop in Ardagh Village for anyone who wishes to donate to the Longford Hospice Services. Any donation would be greatly appreciated as this is a difficult time for all charities. Many thanks for your continuous support.

### **Sacrament of Confirmation:**

The Confirmation ceremony will take place in St. Brigid's Church Ardagh on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> October with the first ceremony at 11am and the second ceremony at 2.30pm.

### **Parish Finance Meeting:**

A meeting of the Finance committee will take place on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> September at 8pm in the Parochial House.

### **ACN Ireland/Aid to the Church in Need:**

Mr David Barbieri from ACN Ireland/Aid to the Church in Need will speak at both Masses on the weekend of 8<sup>th</sup>/9<sup>th</sup> October. If you wish to find out more about ACN and the church in need please visit the website [www.acnireland.org](http://www.acnireland.org)

**First Friday calls for October:** Fr Vinny will do his sick calls for the month of October on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> and Friday 8<sup>th</sup> October.