



Ardagh and Moydow

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Sunday 24th April 2022

Webcam link: churchtv.ie/ardagh



Date	Time	Church	Intentions
Monday 25 th April	10.00am	Ardagh	No Mass
Tuesday 26 th April	7.30pm	Ardagh	No Intention
Wednesday 27 th April	10.00am	Ardagh	Annie and John Molihan (Anniversary)
Thursday 28 th April	7.30pm	Moydow	No Mass
Friday 29 th April	7.30pm	Moydow	John and Peter Orohoe (Anniversary) Mary Kate Dowd (Anniversary)
Weekend Masses	Time	Church	Intentions
Saturday 23 rd April	7.30pm	Moydow	Pro Populo Mass
Sunday 24 th April	11.00am	Ardagh	Divine Mercy Sunday Peter Kilduff and deceased family members Gerard Flood and deceased family members Lizzie Keegan (2 nd Anniversary)
Saturday 30 th April	11.00am 1.00pm 7.30pm	Ardagh Moydow Moydow	1 st Holy Communion Christening Eileen Farrell (1 st Anniversary)
Sunday 1 st May	11.00am	Ardagh	Mary Ann Bannon (1 st Anniversary) Mary Farrell (1 st Anniversary) Antoinette Lenihan and deceased members of the Lenihan and McCormack families

People on duty next weekend:

Ministry	Ardagh	Moydow
Eucharistic Ministers	Una Byrne	Elaine McDermott
Ministers of the Word	Kathleen Farrell	Rachel Scanlon

Parish Collections:

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Offertory Collection:	€2,080.00
Building Fund:	€305.00
Easter Dues:	€2,455.00
Lenten Alms:	€55.00
Trócaire:	€1,765.00

Many thanks for your contributions to the above collections for the Parish and the Clergy Dues. It is much appreciated.

Divine Mercy Sunday - Second Sunday of Easter:

A humble Polish Nun, St. Faustina received extraordinary revelations in the 1930's, which she received in her diary. Our Lord told her, *"In the Old Covenant I sent prophets wielding thunderbolts to my people. Today I am sending you my mercy to the people of the whole world"*. Jesus specially chose St. Faustina for the mission of bringing His message of Mercy to the world, and He called it Divine Mercy Sunday mankind's *"last hope of salvation "*. Pray the Chaplet of St Faustina in the words of Jesus who said to her *"Encourage souls to say the Chaplet in which I have given to you. Whoever will recite it, will receive great mercy at the hour of death"*. The Divine Mercy message and devotion has been called the largest grassroots in the history of the Catholic Church. Divine Mercy Sunday is perhaps God's greatest gift for our time. The promise of this day is nothing less than the forgiveness of all sins and punishment due to sin for anyone who would go to confession and receive Holy Communion on this very special feast. St. Pope John Paul 11 officially established the Feast of Divine Mercy in the year 2000, after many years of study by the Catholic Church. Jesus told St. Faustina that she was to prepare the world for His second coming and that He would be pouring out His mercy in great abundance before He comes again as the Just Judge. Many feel that their sins are unforgivable, but Jesus said, *"Were a soul like a decaying corpse, so that from a human standpoint, there would be no hope of restoration and everything would already be lost, it is not so with God. The miracle of Divine Mercy restores that soul in full. Today's feast is so beautiful and so powerful.*

Virtual Alzheimer Cafe:

The Alzheimer Society of Ireland National Helpline is open 6 days a week Monday to Friday 10am - 5pm, and Saturday 10am - 4pm on 1800 341 341. The Longford branch of the Alzheimer Society of Ireland, will hold their monthly Virtual Alzheimer Cafe on Wednesday 27th April at 7.30pm. Guest speaker on the night is Geraldine Jolley and her topic is *"Nursing Home Supports and the Fair Deal"*. The Cafe will then run on the last Wednesday of each month, with a different speaker and topic each month.

First Holy Communion:

The Sacrament of First Holy Communion will be celebrated in St. Brigid's Church on Saturday 30th April at 11am. This is a wonderful day for our First Holy Communicants, their parents, Grandparents, and all their relatives. It's also a great day for the parish, the schools and the church. We wish them all the best in their preparations.

Dates to Remember:

- Diocesan Assembly: 14th and 15th May.
- Parish Pastoral Council Meeting: Wednesday 25th May at 8pm. Parochial House.
- Cemetery Sunday Ardagh: Sunday 5th June at 11am.
Moydow: Saturday 11th June at 7.30pm.

Trócaire Boxes:

The Trócaire Box collection for the parish of Ardagh and Moydow has reached €1,765. If you still have to hand in your Trócaire box or the special envelope provided, please do so as soon as possible. If you wish to make a donation to the Trócaire collection please make your cheque payable to the parish of Ardagh and Moydow and a cheque is sent off for a total amount to Trócaire. Many thanks on behalf of Trócaire and the parish.

First Thursday/Friday Calls for May:

Calls will take place on 5th and 6th May.