



Ardagh and Moydow

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Weekday Masses

Date	Time	Church	Intentions
Monday 27 th September	10.00am	Ardagh	Special Intention
Tuesday 28 th September	10.00am	Ardagh	Elizabeth and Joseph Keenan (Anniversary)
Wednesday 29 th September	10.00am	Ardagh	Holy Souls (followed by Holy Hour)
Thursday 30 th September	10.00am	Moydow	Holy Souls
Friday 1 st October	7.30pm	Ardagh	Derek Belton (Anniversary)

Weekend Masses

Saturday 25 th September	7.30pm	Moydow	Pat Maguire (3 rd Anniversary)
Sunday 26 th September	11.00am	Ardagh	Michael and Bridget Reynolds (Anniversary) P J Keenan (Anniversary)
Saturday 2 nd October	7.30pm	Moydow	No Intention
Sunday 3 rd October	11.00am	Ardagh	Charlie Connor (Anniversary) James and Teresa Finnan (Anniversary)

People on duty next weekend:

Ministry	Ardagh	Moydow
Eucharistic Ministers	Ann Leavy	Mary Carey
Ministers of the Word	Kathleen Farrell	Geraldine Cunnion

Parish Collections for the last 3 weekends.

Offertory collection:	€2,670.00
Harvest Dues:	€1,650.00
Building fund:	€175.00
Peter's pence:	€25.00

Many thanks for your generosity to the parish funds.

World Day of Migrants and Refugees: The Church has always been celebrating the World Day of Migrants and Refugees since 1914. It's always an occasion to express concern for different vulnerable people on the move, to pray for them as they face many challenges, and to increase awareness about the opportunities that migration offers. The Vatican has a dedicated section for Migrants and Refugees. It is directed by Pope Francis and aims to help the Church, and others, to accompany those forced to flee and make sure they are not shut out or left behind.

Pope's Message: In the Encyclical Letter *Fratelli Tutti* he expressed a concern and desire which still occupy an important place in his heart. "Salvation history sees us at the beginning and us at the end, a humanity united in Jesus Christ 'that they may all be one'. We are all in the same boat and we are called to commit ourselves so there are no more walls that separate us, so that there are no more others, but only one us, and us as big as the whole community. For this reason I would like to take advantage of this happy occasion to launch a double appeal to walk towards an ever wider us, one addressed to the Catholic faithful and one addressed to all men and women of the world. The Church recognises full citizenship for all Catholics and puts this citizenship before nationality, which is the result of human constructions. Today the Church is called to go out into the streets of the existential peripheries, to heal the wounded and seek out the lost, without fear or prejudice, and to welcome everyone. The current influx of migrants can be seen as a new frontier for mission, a privileged opportunity to proclaim Jesus Christ and the Gospel message at home, and to bear concrete witness to the Christian faith in a spirit of charity and profound esteem for other religious communities.

Day for Life 2021: This year's *Day for Life* will be celebrated in Ireland on Sunday 3rd October on the theme 'The Good Samaritan: A Model of Compassion'. In the context of the recent proposal to introduce assisted suicide, both in Ireland and the UK, this year's *Day for Life* message invites Catholics to consider a more positive and compassionate response to the care of people who are in the final stages of life. See www.councilforlife.ie for more.

Rest in Peace: We pray for the happy repose of the souls of Michael and Andrew Ward late of Ferefad, London and the Isle of Wight who were laid to rest in Ardagh during the week. Sympathy to their families and relatives. May they rest in peace. We also remember the happy repose of the soul of Frances Quinn, sister of Mark McGlynn Keelogue who was laid to rest during the week. Our sympathy to all her loving family and relatives May she rest in peace.

Baptism: Congratulations to baby Ella Kirby who was christened in St. Brigid's Church, Ardagh. Best wishes to Ella, her parents, grandparents and godparents.

Irish Dancing Classes: Irish dancing classes will commence every Monday evening in Ardagh Community Centre from 6.15 to 7.15 pm. This is for new beginners. All are welcome.

Virtual Alzheimer's Café: The Longford branch of the Alzheimer Society of Ireland, will hold their monthly virtual Alzheimer Cafe on Wednesday 29th September at 7.30pm. Guest speaker is Dr. Orla Dolan, occupational therapist and her topic is 'Activities for Individuals living with Dementia'. The cafe will then run on the last Wednesday of every month, with a different speaker and topic. The Virtual cafe will provide a safe, warm and welcoming space online for people with dementia, their family and friends. For further information please contact Eileen on 085 8724475 or email longfordwestmeathvirtualcafe@alzheimer.ie

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 8th/9th October. If you wish to find out more about ACN and the church in need please visit the website www.acnireland.org

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

Sacrament of Confirmation: The Confirmation ceremony will take place in St. Brigid's Church, Ardagh on Saturday 9th October with the first ceremony at 11am and the second ceremony at 2.30pm.