

*"Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul,
with all your strength and with all your mind; and love your
neighbour as yourself"*



**Love Your
Neighbour**

Mass Times as follows:

Saturday Vigil Mass: 8pm. Sunday: 10.30am; Monday: 8pm.
Tues, & Thurs: 9.30am. No Mass on Wednesday.

Masses for the Dead:

Sat	9th	July	8.00pm	Mass for the people of the Parish.
Sun	10th	July	10.30am	
Mon	11th	July	8.00pm	Special Intention.
Tues	12th	July	9.30am	Special Intention.
Thurs	14th	July	9.30am	Special Intention.
Fri	15th	July	8.00pm	Tommy O'Shea, Forthill.
Sat	16th	July	8.00pm	Matt Skelly, Month's Mind.
Sun	17th	July	10.30am	

Please pray for the happy repose of the soul of Carmel Whelan (nee Killian), Bishopstown, Cork, and late of Cornaguillagh. Funeral was in Bishopstown on Wednesday last. May she rest in the peace of Christ.

And also for the happy repose of the soul of Vera Smyth, Derrahaun. Reposing at 12 Derrahaun on Sunday evening. Funeral Mass on Monday at 11am in Lanesboro.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament continues on Wednesday 4pm - 8pm.

Recent Collections: 3rd July: Offertory: €625.

Ardagh & Clonmacnois Diocesan Pilgrimage To Knock - Led by Bishop Francis Duffy on Sunday 4th September 2016: 12.30 pm Confessions, 2.30 pm Anointing of the Sick, 3.00 pm Mass and Blessing of the Sick, followed by the Rosary Procession. Tickets €16 each available at the Presbytery.

Fundraising Night at the Dogs in Mullingar Greyhound Stadium takes place this Saturday 9th July. This is a night for all the family with a chance to win €1000 for every adult ticket purchased. Your support will be greatly appreciated. Transport is available, €10 return; book with names and money at "The Local" by this weekend. To book a seat telephone: 086 0405621, 087 6613510 or 0861900640.

Pilgrimage To Croagh Patrick, Reek Sunday July 31st - Bus departing from Granard 05.00, Ballinalree Church 05.15, Killoe Park 05.20, Newtownforbes Church 05.30, Cathedral Car Park 5.40, Tarnonbarry Grotto 05.50, Strokestown, Percy French 06.10 and Ballaghaderreen 06.40.
Bring suitable clothing, a packed lunch, a bottle of water and a long stick for climb.

Reflection:

A German philanthropist, Oberlin, was journeying through a snowstorm near Strasbourg and lost his way. Overcome with fatigue, he lay helpless in the snow, almost sure of death. A waggoner happened to pass that way after Oberlin had sunk in the drifts. The kind waggoner immediately rescued him, wrapped a thick blanket around the frozen body and brought him home. Oberlin was deeply touched by the man's charity and timely help, and expressed his desire to offer his rescuer a reward. It was refused point-blank. "Tell me your name at least," pleaded Oberlin, before the man could leave. "Tell me," replied the man, "the name of the Good Samaritan." "His name isn't recorded," said Oberlin wondering. "Then allow me to withhold mine too," said the 'Good Samaritan' as he left.

Moral: The Way of the Lord is the opposite of the Way of the World - St. John of the Cross, the great mystic, tells us that if we want our prayers to be heard by the Lord, we must not let anyone know the good deeds we have done - the less our acts of kindness are known on earth, the greater our reward will be in Heaven. Prayer, fasting and penance, St. John advises, are amongst the greatest of the spiritual weapons;

however, being "a Good Samaritan", unbeknownst to a soul, is more powerful than prayer, fasting and penance put together.

- **Pray for others** - giving a part of your time is being a neighbour to others. People may not know you are praying for them and you have a better reward for that since Jesus said that our charitable works should be kept secret.
- **Grab every opportunity to do good** - every day we are called to do small things with great love. It is not the big things that define us. One great deed is not enough. It is the habitual small things and details in our life that really makes the big difference
- **Give without thinking of being reciprocated** - we should give and help those who cannot pay us back. By doing so, we are laying up treasures in heaven and God will reward us according to our deeds.