Parish of Trim and Boardsmill 27 April - 4 May 2025

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Statement from Bishop Tom Deenihan Bishop of Meath on the death of Pope Francis



Many of the tributes to Pope Francis emphasise his humility, compassion and courage. Humility came to the fore in rejecting many of the Papal vestments and the Apostolic Palace itself. One of my earliest memories of him as Pope was of his return to the guesthouse in Rome where he stayed before the conclave to pay his bill. There was the sense of a man who wished to be among the people. Pope Francis was before all else a pastor.

Being a Pastor informed many of the quotes that he is best remembered for, including 'Who am I to judge'. Above all, he was a prophet of mercy. Mercy, he said, was the 'air that we breath'. His devotion to the sleeping Saint Joseph whom he could entrust problems to, to Mary under the title of the undoer of knots and to the icon of Mary, salvific health of the Roman peoples, which he visited in the Basilica of Saint Mary Major before and after his many pilgrimages portray a man of deep and simple faith. That strong and devotional faith was an important part of the man. Indeed, any time that I met him, he would always ask for prayers.

His embracing of the synodal path and his call to Catholics to 'enlarge their tent' is also an important catch cry for our time. Pope Francis could remain friendly with those whom he disagreed with and could keep conversations going. I am one of the Irish Bishops that he appointed during his pontificate. His addresses to bishops always emphasised that role of pastor. 'The smell of the sheep' and the church being 'a field hospital' are two strong images of his that will, I believe and hope, endure.

Bishop Deenihan will celebrate Mass for the repose of the soul of Pope Francis on Tuesday in the Cathedral of Christ the King, Mullingar at 7.30pm.

Trim 7pm, 9am, 11am, 12.30pm

Boardsmill 10am

Baptisms Saturday 3pm

Confessions Saturday 12noon—1pm

Eucharistic Adoration

Sunday 1.15pm - 8pm

Anointing of the Sick

First Saturday of May after 10am Mass

Blessing expectant mothers

First Saturday of May after 7pm Mass

Vatican Decree on Mass intentions and collective offerings

The Vatican issued a Decree before Easter, updating the rules on Mass intentions. It seeks to safeguard both the spiritual integrity of the Eucharistic sacrifice and the faithful's trust in the Church's handling of their offerings. The decree permits "collective intentions" (Shared Masses) —a practice where multiple offerings are united in a single Mass—under strict conditions: the donors must be explicitly informed and must freely consent. The decree restricts the frequency of such collective celebrations, aiming to preserve the normative link between each offering and a distinct Eucharistic celebration. In Trim Parish, there are eleven scheduled Masses per week. Nine Masses have single intentions only while two Masses have "collective intentions" (Saturday 7pm and Sunday 11am).

Saturday 7pm Patrick (Paddy) Dempsey (MM)
Vera, Eamon & Fr Ray MacNicholas
Patrick & Teresa McKeown / Paddy Bird
Sunday 9am Marian Mallee
10am David Moylan /Vincent, Ellen & James Guy
Sunday 11am SHARED MASS
Dan Mangan / Conor Foley / John, Carmel Kelly
Sunday 12.30pm Moninne McEntee (First Anniv),
Mannix, Maura & Mark O'Boyle
Monday 10am Nicholas, Julian Cooke
Tuesday 10am Sr Assumpta McElduff
Wednesday 10am Maurice, Mary O'Connor
Thursday 10am Decland Sheridan & Anita Bolger
Friday 10am List of the Dead

Many thanks to everyone who helped to prepare for and take part in the beautiful Mass in memory of Pope Francis on Friday morning at 10am. Thanks also to the clergy and parishioners from the deanery area who joined us.

Saturday 10am Robert Griffith
Saturday 7pm Joan Byrne (First Anniv)
Sunday 9am Mass for People's Intentions
Sunday 10am Edward O'Brien (MM) / Peter Dixon
Bernie Nolan Elsofany

Sunday 11am SHARED MASS Paul McManus Eamon Carroll / Michael, Marie McDermott & Parents Seamus Conroy & son Brendan / Thomas, Ann Burke Gerry, Bessie, Malachy & Rosemary Lee Sunday 12.30pm Tess Conlon (MM)

We pray for the recently deceased

Connie Leonard, Whitehall Marie Rooney, De Lacy Court



Book of Condolence

You are welcome to sign the Book at the prayer space for Pope Francis beside the altar from now until Sunday evening.

Prayer for Divine Mercy



Eternal God,
in Whom mercy is endless
and the treasury of compassion —
inexhaustible,
look kindly upon us
and increase Your mercy in us,
that in difficult moments we might not

despair nor become despondent, but with great confidence submit ourselves to Your holy will, which is Love and Mercy itself.

Cemetery Devotions

Please note the following dates and times for the blessing of the graves this year

Newtown Cemetery
Trimblestown
Clonee
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12 July at 4.30pm
Brannoxtown
12 July at 4.45pm
Drinadaly
12 July at 5pm
St Loman's Cemetery
13 July at 3pm

Remembrance Mass

Sunday 2 November at 12.30pm Mass

Other News

Parish Office

The parish office will be on reduced hours next week, that is from 10am until 2pm each day. Thanks for your assistance.

Easter candles

Heartfelt thanks to Fr Janusz, formerly in Moynalvey, who donated the beautiful Paschal Candle and altar candles from Poland. Please remember him in a prayer of gratitude.

Synod meeting

Fr Declan Hurley hosted a "Conversations in the Spirit" meeting for members of the parish councils in Trim, Kilmessan, Summerhill and Enfield on Saturday afternoon.

Alzheimers National tea Day

A fundraiser for this very worthy cause will take place at Moriarty's, 41A Pinebrook, this Thursday 10am—2pm.

Trim Active Retirement Club Social

will take place on Wednesday next at 6pm in the Castle Arch Hotel. Bus will leave Leonard's Corner at 5.45p.m. New Members Welcome.