

# Parish of Trim and Boardsmill

## 9 - 15 November 2025

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Fr Paul Crosbie PP Fr John Kennedy CC Fr Marcin Pietras (Polish Chaplain)

**Trim Masses** 7pm, 9am, 11am, 12.30pm **Boardsmill** 10am

**Baptisms** Saturday 3pm **Blessing expectant mothers** First Saturday of October 7pm Mass

**Anointing of the Sick** First Saturday of October after 10am Mass

**Eucharistic Adoration** Sunday 1.15pm - 8pm **Confessions** Saturday 12noon—1pm

**Meals on Wheels** 089 2490148

**Coffee mornings** Wednesdays after 10am Mass

### "The Future of our Parishes: Communities of Belonging and Evangelisation"

Bishop Tom Deenihan

The Parish to which one belongs indicates a community, a sense of belonging and a sense of pride. While a parish is a church structure, it is also more than that. The parish is a place of evangelisation, a place where the sacraments are celebrated and a place where we celebrate our faith but it is also a place with which we identify ourselves.

It is also true that whereas in the past a parish was defined in geographical terms, there are now challenges to a parish's identity arising from rural depopulation in some parts of the Diocese and phenomenal growth in others. In addition, many choose to attend a particular parish for reasons of the time of celebration or for liturgical preferences such as a particular choir. It can be hard to define precisely what a parish is and, at times, what parish one belongs to.

As Pope Francis reminded us, the parish is 'the presence of the Church in a given territory, an environment for hearing God's word, for growth in the Christian life, for dialogue, proclamation, charitable outreach, worship and celebration'. This is the task of a parish today: to be a community, to rediscover its identity as a community of faith, hope and love. One is not a Christian all by oneself.

**Copies of the Bishop's Pastoral Letter are available in the parish church and office. We will publish it in excerpts here over the coming weeks.**

### List of the Dead

We encourage you to take home the List of the Dead and to return it to the parish as soon as possible. Names on the List of the Dead are offered throughout the month of November and on the First Friday of each month at 10am.

### Parish Pastoral Council

Monday 24 November 7pm

### Parish Finance Committee

Tuesday 25 November 7pm

### Practice for Altar Servers

Tuesday 18th November at 7pm in the Church.

**Young adults (18—30) gathering** The next meeting takes place on Wednesday 26 November, 8pm in the parish centre.

### Parish envelopes

The new boxes of envelopes are available for collection at the parish office. Please collect envelopes before the end of the month, and if possible, bring boxes to your neighbours.

### Baptisms in Trim over Christmas

Baptisms will be held on Sunday 28 December at 12.30pm Mass and on Sunday 11 January at 11am Mass.

### Trocaire prayer for Climate Action

O God of Creation, may those who gather in the coming weeks in Brazil at the UN Climate Conference, be filled with your wisdom. May they have the courage to take the urgent action that is needed, for the protection of all living creatures in our common home. May all of us work for justice for the poor, and for the generations who are to come. Amen



**Saturday 7pm** Elizabeth Regan / Anne Kane  
John, Mary Rooney / Tom, Mary & Jackie Gartland  
Greg Leonard / Joseph Eustace

**Sunday 9am** Hugh, Ena McGeough

**Sunday 10am** Wally Murray & Dec'd Family

**Sunday 11am** William Wheeler / Dec'd of Lee  
Family / Sean, Sheila Ward / Maureen Peppard  
Judge / Michael McGee / Frank Melia & Dec'd  
Rispin Family

**Sunday 12.30** Tommy Dwyer

**Monday 10am** Brigid, Larry Doyle

**Tuesday 10am** Mary, Victor Shalvey, daughter Ann  
& grandson Declan

**Wed 10am** Elizabeth, John Coldrick & Dec'd Family

**Thursday 10am** Peggy, John Clarke

**Friday 10am** Patrick, Annie Duffy

**Saturday 10am** Mary Griffin

### **Report on expenditure of Trim parish donation to the Church in Myanmar**

We received a comprehensive report this week from the Diocese of Banmaw (Myanmar) on how they used our donation of €13,500 earlier this year. As you may know, the civil war conflict has escalated in this region of Myanmar and the local Church is trying desperately to respond to the needs of the people. It is estimated that there are 180,000 internally displaced people in the region. The report describes how the Trim and Boardsmill donation was spent in June – September 2025. It indicates the purchase and distribution of essential food supplies, including rice and cooking oil, as well as providing displaced refugees with blankets, mosquito nets and basic cooking utensils (pots, pans, spoons etc). The donation has also been used to construct storage tanks to ensure a reliable supply of clean water for health and hygiene. Work is reported on making church buildings and gatherings safer in the face of violence and attacks on Christians. The report shows how much the donation was appreciated and how every cent was put to good and practical use. Copies of the report are available from the parish office and you are encouraged to read it as evidence of how much good can be done for people in tragic need.

### **Mission Sunday appeal raises €3,869**

Many thanks for the very generous €3,869 which was sent to the Diocesan Office as the proceeds from last month's Mission Sunday collection. Your support to the missions is very much appreciated.

**Saturday 7pm** Ramona Mulligan (First Anniv)

Aileen Etherton (First Anniv) & daughter

Jacqueline Gartland / Gus, Des & Karl Hatton

Dick, Ann Norris / Martin McNamara

Peg, Dan Carroll & daughter Marie

Dick, Nancy, Angela & Ritchie Fitzsimons

**Sunday 9am** Bridget, Patrick Colgan

**Sunday 10am** Dan, Ann Bagnall / Paul, Collie Daly

**Sunday 11am** Bernard (Barney) Kelly (MM)

Billy Patchell & parents William & Catherine

Kathleen, Clarence Corrigan / Maura, Malachy

O'Curry / PJ Souhhan, Molly, Ned Murtagh

**Sunday 12.30** Mass for people's intentions

Please pray for the recently deceased

**James Morgan**, Donegal (formerly Kilmurray, Trim)

### **Amalgamation of St. Mary's National School and St. Michael's National School, Trim**

The Department of Education has confirmed the decision, approved by the Patron Bishop Deenihan, that St Mary's and St Michael's will be amalgamated into one single school. This decision comes at the end of a lengthy consultation process involving the Boards of Management, staff, parents and pupils. The independent assessor noted that there is overwhelming support for the amalgamation. The Department and Patron have agreed that the new school will be known as Scoil Naomh Pádraig and the amalgamation will take effect next September. The new name reminds students and families of their rootedness in a faith tradition that has deep historical ties to the parish in which they live and learn. We will keep you informed as the process continues.

### **Fr Willie Doyle SJ: a new saint for Ireland?**

To learn more about the remarkable Fr Willie Doyle, there will be a presentation in what is formerly Galtrim Church, Summerhill (A83 TW97) on Saturday 15 November at 2pm.

**Trim Floral Art** will have a Christmas Gala on Monday 17 November at 7.30pm in Trim Castle Hotel with a demonstration by Christopher White. The charities they support are Trim Meals on Wheels and Breast Cancer Ireland. Info: 083 0259 272.

**Trim Active Retirement Group** Christmas Party Sunday 14th December. Mulled wine reception 1pm, dinner at 1.30pm. Music: Ray Murtagh.