



Ardagh and Moydow

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Sunday 9th January 2022



Webcam link: churchtv.ie/ardagh

Weekday Masses

Weekend Masses

Date	Time	Church	Intentions
Monday 10 th January	10.00am	Ardagh	Special Intention
Tuesday 11 th January	10.00am	Ardagh	Special Intention
Wednesday 12 th January	10.00am	Ardagh	Special Intention (followed by holy hour)
Thursday 13 th January	7.30pm	Moydow	Special Intention
Friday 14 th January	10.00am	Moydow	Special Intention

Weekend Masses

Saturday 8 th January	7.30pm	Moydow	Jimmy Foley (Anniversary)
Sunday 9 th January	11.00am	Ardagh	Pauline Kilduff (Anniversary) Bernard Whitney (Anniversary) Do this in memory of me programme
Saturday 15 th January	7.30pm	Moydow	Pro Populo Mass
Sunday 16 th January	11.00am	Ardagh	No Intention

People on duty next weekend:

Ministry	Ardagh	Moydow
Eucharistic Ministers	Ann Leavy	Mary Lenehan
Ministers of the Word	Susan Eades	Geraldine Cunnion

Rest in Peace: We pray for the happy repose of the soul of Patsy Murray (née Keena), Crookedwood, Mullingar, and sister of Laddy Keena in Ardagh who was laid to rest during the week. Our sincere sympathy to Laddy and all her loving family at this time.

Baptism: Congratulations to baby Conor Ciaran Byrne who was christened in Moydow Church this weekend. Every blessing to him, his family, godparents and grandparents.

Feast of the Baptism of Our Lord: The baptism of Jesus reminds us of our own baptism. There are many offices that people can hold in the Church. When we stand before the throne of God, these other offices will be of no importance. Our dignity will depend on one thing only, the extent in which we lived out our own baptism calling. The ceremony of baptism is a lovely one. In it we are formally given a name and welcomed into the family of God's people. Lovely prayers were said over us. Our body was signed with the sign of the cross, to mark Christ's love for us. Water was poured over us. Water is a symbol of cleansing, and in baptism we are cleansed of sin. What happened at the baptism of Jesus happened at our baptism too. God called us by name. He said to each of us "you are my beloved son" or "you are my beloved daughter". The spirit descended on us. We celebrate birthdays, so we should celebrate our baptisms, because this is a day we were born as children of God. Every time we enter the church and bless ourselves, we are reminding ourselves of our baptism, and committing ourselves to live up to it. To live one's baptism is to live as a disciple of Jesus.

Archbishop Francis Duffy: On behalf of the parish of Ardagh and Moydow I would like to offer our sincere congratulations to the new Archbishop of Tuam, Archbishop Francis Duffy. Francis was bishop of our diocese for eight years, and during his time here in the diocese he was so nice and always obliging to his priests and people. We wish Francis every good blessing in his health, his Archdiocese along with happiness and peace. May the Holy Spirit journey with you especially in the vast Archdiocese of Tuam.

Enrolment for St. Mel's National School Ardagh, and Scoil. Bride Glen: Annual admissions notice in respect of admissions to St. Mel's National School and to Scoil Bhríde Glen for the year 2022/23. Application forms are available from the schools from Monday 10th January 2022 for a period of three weeks. Please contact St. Mel's school office at 043 66752688 or email stmelsns@gmail.com and Scoil Bhríde office at 043 6671778 or email sbgleann@gmail.com

Parish Pastoral Council Meeting: The next Pastoral Council meeting will take place on Tuesday 25th January at 8 pm in the Parochial House.

Do This In Memory of Me Programme: This programme continues for our children making their First Holy Communion on 30th April 2022. The following are the remaining dates: 23rd January, Sunday 6th and 20th February, Sunday 6th and 20th March, and finally Sunday 3rd April.

Thank you from Scoil Bhríde Glen: Thank you to everyone who supported our recent clothes collection fundraiser for Scoil Bhríde. A total of €504 was raised for the school. Go raibh míle tuilte agat go léir!

A Prayer for this New Year of 2022.

May God make our year a happy one,
by strengthening us to bear it, as it comes;
by making us sturdy to travel any path;
by taking fear from our heart;
by keeping our face bright, even in the shadows;
by showing us when people need us most,
and by making us willing to be there to help.
God's love, peace, hope, and joy to us
for the year ahead.

Amen.