

Burrishoole Parish

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Praying for a new Archbishop

Last April our Archbishop, Michael Neary, having reached his 75th birthday offered his resignation to the Vatican in Rome. This will have come as no surprise to Rome as all Bishops are required to resign on reaching 75. Now, six months later, we are still awaiting the appointment of his successor. As the peculiarly secretive and long drawn-out process of choosing a new Archbishop of Tuam trundles on, the names of various likely candidates have begun to emerge. The most likely candidates it would seem are serving Bishops who already have some episcopal experience (that counts me out!).

Inevitably, when local clergy meet the attributes of possible candidates are discussed but because for the most part, we have never met any of the candidates any discussion will usually take place in a vacuum.

The role of Archbishop is an unenviable one. When Fr Michael Neary became Archbishop of Tuam more than 25 years ago there was over 120 diocesan priests in full time ministry, today there are 47. The next Archbishop of Tuam will preside over a Church and a diocese coping with huge change. Where once the church was at the centre of the community now it is very much on the periphery, where once it spoke from a position of authority now it is one voice among many, and where once it engendered respect now it is often the subject of suspicion and distrust.

In recent weeks, while names continue to do the rounds, I have taken time to consider not so much who I would like as Archbishop but rather what qualities I would like to see in our next Archbishop. We seek a kindly shepherd who cares for his priests and his people. First and foremost, he must be a person of deep, personal faith. Rather than know about Jesus he must know and experience the Risen Jesus in his daily life. Inspired by faith he will be grounded in pastoral concern and have a humility born from his experience of failure as much as from his awareness of his own need for God's mercy. Motivated and enthused by his love for the Gospel

he will be a man of vision and courage, never afraid to preach, teach and live the Kingdom values of truth, justice, peace and love - even when it is unpopular to do so - both within and outside of the Church. Not content with doing things as they have always been done and unafraid to fail, he will seek out new ways to proclaim and live the Gospel.

Radiating the joy of the Gospel he will be a person of hope and enthusiasm who will seek out the good rather than the bad, who will search for opportunity in the place of inertia, who will model a sense of openness and welcome which will radiate throughout the local church. He will be a leader who will bring the very best out of others. Not only will he read the signs of our times, but he will hear the invitation and challenge of God as spoken through the voice of the poor and the marginalised as well as from the disenfranchised and the committed.

Our Church needs leaders who listen before they speak, who announce rather than denounce, who speak truth to power and who put love of God before loyalty to the institution.

As we await the appointment let us pray for whoever may be asked to serve as Archbishop. He will need all our prayers.

God Bless, Fr Tod

Time Flies

Remember clocks go back 1 hr this weekend

Masses November 1st

Monday is All Saints Day. Mass will be celebrated in Tiernaur at 10am and in the Parish Church, Newport at 7pm.

Weekday Masses

From Tuesday, November 2nd weekday Mass on Tuesdays and Thursdays will be celebrated in the Oratory, Newport. Mass goers are asked to be mindful of social distancing and in order to ensure best practice Holy Communion will be distributed at the end of Mass with recipients leaving via the Sacristy.

Returning to Mass

With the lifting of restrictions Churches no longer are required to limit their capacity. We are however asked to maintain all other protective practices:

- The wearing of facemasks
- Sanitising of hands
- Respecting social distance.

The ribbons have been removed. You are asked however to be aware of the need to give ample space between you and the person next to you and if possible, avoid sitting directly behind someone.

First Friday

Next Friday is the First Friday. Visits to the sick and housebound in the Mulranny, Tiernaur and Shramore areas will take place on Thursday with visits in the Newport area taking place on Friday.

November Masses

A Novena of Masses for the Dead will be held in early November. Families are invited to include the names of deceased loved ones in the envelopes provided in each of the churches. (please do not include any donation). Masses will begin on the Feast of All Saints (Nov 1st) and conclude with our annual Mass of Remembrance at 10am on Sunday November 14th.

At our Mass of Remembrance, we will remember, by name, all parishioners who died in the past year. Should you have a family member who may have died away from home and would like them included please contact the parish office.

St. Vincent De Paul

The local St. Vincent De Paul Conference wishes to thank the Glenthomas-Bunnahowna Mast Shareholders who recently donated €467.62. The local Helpline number is 086 4181000 and all calls or requests for help will be treated confidentially.

Mulranny Greenplan Grant Information

Could your home, business or community building be eligible for a grant towards insulation, ventilation, a lighting upgrade or even a total retrofit of new windows, solar panels and heating system? The Mulranny GreenPlan Group invite you to come along to the Ross Suite, Mulranny Park Hotel on Saturday, 6th of November at 2pm to hear Alma Gallagher from Clar ICH talk about the supports available to make your home or business warmer and more energy efficient.

Cuilmore CCÉ AGM

Cuilmore CCÉ AGM will take place on the 9th of November at 7pm in Derradda Community Hall. New members are very welcome. If your child is playing music or dancing or if you are intending to start them soon, we would invite you to come along and get involved.

Mulranny Tidy Towns

Mulranny Tidy Town's next meeting is on Monday, November 1, at 8pm in the Amenity Centre. All Welcome. The AGM of Mulranny Tidy Towns will take place on Monday, November 29th at 8pm in the amenity Centre.

Newport Tidy Towns

The AGM of Newport Tidy Towns is on Monday, November 8, at 8pm in Newport Tourist Office. All welcome

Mayo Cancer Support

Mayo Cancer Support Achill Outreach service will reopen, by appointment only, on Thursday 18th November, in the Health Centre, Achill Sound. Contact Jean on 087 2804164.

Mass Schedule

10am Weekday Mass Intentions:

Mon-Tiernaur, Thurs-Newport, Fri- Mulranny: Molly and Michael O Boyle, Mulranny. Michael and Rose McManamon, Graffy. George Reid. Meddlicott St.

Monday November 1st Newport at 7pm.

Carmel O Connor (nee Mc Neela) and her father Vincent Mc Neela, Quay Rd.

Weekend Masses

Saturday October 30th Tiernaur at 7pm:

The People of the Parish

Sunday October 31st Newport at 10am:

Tom Mulhern, Newport (Months Mind) and his wife Nancy (1st Ann). Anne and Peadar Kilroy, Carrabawn. Eddie and Sarah Fitzgerald, Chapel St.

Sunday October 31st Mulranny at 11.30am:

John Kilcoyne, Dublin and Owenduff (1st Ann). Mary Cattigan, Duffbeg, her daughter Anne, and deceased family members. Mary and John Moran, Cushleca.

Friday November 5th Shramore at 7pm.

Neil Chambers, his wife Maureen and deceased family members.

Saturday November 6th Tiernaur at 7pm:

Patrick and Patricia Cusack.

Sunday November 7th Newport at 10am:

Tommy Conway, Buckagh and deceased family members. Tommie Corcoran, Laherdaune and Cloonfoher and deceased members of the Corcoran and Chambers families. Brian Keane, Skirdagh, his grandparents Tom and Annie and their son James. Peter and Nancy Mc Manamon, Shramore.

Sunday November 7th Mulranny at 11.30am:

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