

# Parish Of Haggardstown and Blackrock

*Church of St. Fursey & Church of St. Oliver Plunkett*

## Parish Team

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## Parish Pastoral Council

**The purpose of the Parish Pastoral Council of Haggardstown and Blackrock is to be a faith group that aims to promote the Gospel teachings of Jesus Christ within our parish community. Recognising the diversity of our parish community, we commit to do this by reaching out to all our parishioners in an open and compassionate way.**

The purpose of the Parish Pastoral Council plan and vision is to focus its energies in the following 4 areas:

1. Reaching Out **2.**Community Building **3.** Faith Formation **4.** Liturgy.

### Sunday Mass Times:

**St.Oliver Plunkett's, Blackrock:**

Saturday Vigil: 6:30pm

Sunday:10am & 12 noon

**St. Fursey's, Haggardstown:**

Sunday:9am & 11am

### Weekday Masses:

**St.Oliver Plunkett, Blackrock :**

Mon-Sat:10am

**St. Fursey's, Haggardstown:**

Mon-Sat:9am

[Av. Masses may be offered at any Mass. Months Mind Masses can be booked for Sundays at 11am in St. Fursey's Church or 12 noon in St. Oliver Plunkett's Church. In case of an Anniversary booked the Mass will be shared]

### Divine Mercy Chaplet

Each Friday after 10.00a.m. Mass in St. Oliver Plunkett Church.

### Benediction of the Blessed

**Sacrament:** Every Friday at 6pm in St. Oliver Plunkett Church.

### Novena Prayers

in honour of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal are said at morning Masses each Monday.

### Adoration of the

### Blessed Sacrament

Every Tuesday in St. Fursey's Church, from 6pm until 7pm and on Friday in St. Oliver Plunkett's Church from 10am until 6pm.

### Baptisms:

*Cara Mary Loughran*

*Annabelle Rose Gavshon*

*Penny Rose Byrne*

*Charlee Jane Owens*

### Baptisms:

1<sup>st</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of each month in St. Fursey's at 5pm and the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of each month in St. Oliver Plunkett's at 5pm. Registration for Baptism may be given to either priest with a minimum of three weeks notice.

### Confession

Every Saturday at 6pm in St. Oliver Plunkett Church.

### Marriage:

At least three months notice must be given to the Priests of the Parish.

**The New Diocesan Pastoral Plan (2015-2020)** was launched in St. Patrick's Cathedral, Armagh on Wednesday 8th Sept. 2015.The Diocesan Pastoral Plan is particularly Inspired by Pope Francis' encyclical *Evangelii Gaudium* (The Joy of the Gospel). The plan will focus on three main areas (A) Mission & Outreach, (B) Spirit-filled Worship (C) Catechesis (Understanding our Faith). Today, we publish the final area and its objectives.

## Understanding Our Faith

Catechesis, or understanding our faith, is central to the life and mission of our Church. It supports the proclamation of our faith and offers instruction and formation in faith, helping to bring members of the Christian community to maturity in that faith. The five objectives in this area are as follows.

## Catechists:

Within the next five years, our diocese will develop and implement a comprehensive plan for catechesis/faith development, as outlined in the National Directory for Catechesis, Share the Good News (2010).

## Theology:

Formal Theology courses have been organised by the Office of Pastoral Renewal & Family Ministry (OPRFM) for the past six years. The Certificate in Theology, Adult Education and Pastoral Ministry (2015-17) began in Sept and is accredited by the Pontifical University, St. Patrick's College, Maynooth. It opens opportunities to continue to Diploma and Degree level, and helps to prepare laity for significant leadership positions in our parishes.

## Study:

Not everyone can commit to a number of years of formal study, so the diocese will continue to offer shorter term, 'bite sized' courses in theological study, along the model of the previous Soil for the Seed programmes. The Adult Faith Formation Commission also has a particular role in this objective, and will continue to offer short programmes such as the *Catholicism* series.

## Bible:

"The sacred page is the very soul of theology" (Dei Verbum) This plan aims to have *Lectio Divina* available in every Pastoral Are by 2020. programmes like the Bible Timeline will be offered, and assistance given to groups who wish to set up Bible study classes, Lectio prayer groups, etc.

## Baptism:

"Baptism is the basis of the whole Christian life, the gateway to life in the spirit, and the door which gives access to the other sacraments" (Catechism 1213). Appropriate preparation is vital for the proper understanding and celebration of Baptism, so we strongly encourage each parish to have a pre-Baptism team to meet with parents and godparents. Appropriate formation and training will be provided for these teams. The RCIA Programme, which prepares candidates for adult Baptism, will also be made more widely available throughout the diocese.

**In conjunction with our Parish Pastoral Council Plan, the Spirit of the Diocesan Pastoral Plan is unfolding with our Parish at present and will continue in the future.**

**Parish Offertory Collection: 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup>Oct: €3,549.00**

When submitting notices for the bulletin please include a contact name and telephone number. All notices must be left in by Wednesday evening at 6p.m. to be included in the bulletin

**World Mission Sunday:** 18<sup>th</sup> Oct, 2015. World Missions Ireland is the official mission outreach charity of the Catholic Church in Ireland. It supports missionaries and mission projects throughout the world. Your continuing prayers and generosity allow us to help missionaries make a difference that transforms peoples lives.

**Rosary of the Grotto Blackrock:** every Mon during Oct at 7 pm. ( The month of Mary) All are welcome.

## Sacrament of First Penance & Holy Communion

### Do this in Memory Preparation Programme:

Commences with the Enrolment Ceremony:

St. Oliver Plunkett N.S. Sun 11<sup>th</sup> Oct at 10am Mass.

St. Francis N.S. Sun 18<sup>th</sup> Oct at 10am Mass.

St Fursey's N.S. Sun 25<sup>th</sup> Oct at 11am Mass.

**Vocations Evening:** is God calling you to live the life of a Priest in the Archdiocese of Armagh? An evening of prayer and reflection will take place in the Servite Priory, Benburb, Co Tyrone on Mon 12<sup>th</sup> Oct 2015 from 5pm-7pm. For information see [www.armaghpriest.com](http://www.armaghpriest.com) or Tel Fr. Peter McAnenly on 028-37522802.

## Armagh Diocesan Vocations Commission:

The second Evening takes place in the Synod Hall, Armagh on Thurs 15<sup>th</sup> Oct at 8pm. Where Sr. Rhoda Curran and Br. Philip Mulryne will share their stories.

**Sr. Rhoda**, a native of Co Louth, has been a Sister of Mercy for many years. She has been actively involved in Pastoral Ministry over the years and has worked as Director of Armagh Diocesan Pastoral Centre for some time. She is particularly renowned for her work with the Beginning Experience.

**Br. Philip** is a Religious Brother with the Dominican Order and is currently studying for the Priesthood. Prior to joining the Dominicans, he was a professional footballer and he has spoken many times on his faith story and on his Christian Vocation.

## Autumn Parish Dues

The parish Dues are collected 4 times a year. We are indebted to the work of the dues collectors and the support of parishioners. The Autumn Dues books are now available for collection in the sacristy of the churches. A number of areas in our Parish are not being collected or have not been collected for some time. We would appreciate the help and support of any parishioner who would be willing to give of their time in assisting as dues collectors in these areas. If the dues are not collected in your area and you wish to contribute you can do so by placing an envelope in the collection basket with 'Autumn Dues' written on the outside. Once again we sincerely thank all parishioners for their support and generosity.

**Womens Conference:** in Dromantine Conference Centre, Newry, 17<sup>th</sup> Oct 2015 from 9.30am-1pm. Covering the role of women in the Church. Guest speakers are Baroness Nuala O'Loan and Gerry O'Hanlon SJ. Admission is free but you need to book by emailing [armaghjpd@gmail.com](mailto:armaghjpd@gmail.com) or Tel Bernie on 028 (048) 30878149.

**Vintage Tractor & Car Run:** on Sun 18<sup>th</sup> Oct at 1pm commencing at Cooley Hall in aid of Palliative Care.

**Free Computer Classes:** in DKIT from 15<sup>th</sup> Oct. Contact [martha.hogan@dkit.ie](mailto:martha.hogan@dkit.ie) or Ann Egan 042-9321699.

**Ofiaich College Post Primary Open Day:** Thurs 15<sup>th</sup> Oct from 15.30pm to 19.00pm. Guided tours and displays. Teachers and students available to show you around. Come and see what its all about.

**Blackrock Tidy Towns:** Blackrock was awarded a silver medal in this year's Tidy Towns competition, as well as the national award for Climate Change. It also received the Overall Award at "Louth Looking Good" 2015. Blackrock Tidy Towns would like to thank everyone in the village who contributed in any way at all to these great achievements. Thanks especially to the CE Scheme, all our sponsors, businesses, residents associations, property owners, and of course all our volunteers and supporters.

**Geraldines Lotto:** Numbers drawn for a jackpot of €5,400 on Tues 6<sup>th</sup> Oct. 13, 14, 16, 27. No winning selection. 1 match 3 selection won €200 Frank Lennon c/o McQuillans Pharmacy, Blackrock. Next draw will take place on Tues 13<sup>th</sup> Oct for a Jackpot of €5,600

***Requiescant In Peace: Frederick Bell, Wallaces Road. Madeline Campbell, Magherafelt. Jane Campbell, Dublin.***

## Anniversaries and Memoriam Masses

### St. Fursey's Haggardstown

Sun 11<sup>th</sup> 9a.m. Rosaleen Byrne  
Kevin, Patrick &  
Brian McQuillan.

11a.m. Paula Woods.

Mon. 12<sup>th</sup> 9a.m. \_\_\_\_\_

Tues. 13<sup>th</sup> 9a.m. \_\_\_\_\_

Wed. 14<sup>th</sup> 9a.m. Mary & Myles Gilligan.

Thurs. 15<sup>th</sup> 9a.m. \_\_\_\_\_

Fri. 16<sup>th</sup> 9a.m. Ann Quigley.

Sat. 17<sup>th</sup> 9a.m. Michael & Kitty Duggan.

Sun.18<sup>th</sup> 9a.m. Katie & Pat Lynch.

11a.m. Roisín O'Hare.  
MM. Una Parker.

### St. Oliver Plunkett's Blackrock

Sat. 10<sup>th</sup> 6.30p.m. Mary & Peter Curtis.

Sun. 11<sup>th</sup> 10a.m. Kay Russell.

12noon. John McArdle

Mon 12<sup>th</sup> 10am. \_\_\_\_\_

Tues. 13<sup>th</sup> 10a.m. \_\_\_\_\_

Wed. 14<sup>th</sup> 10a.m. \_\_\_\_\_

Thurs. 15<sup>th</sup> 10a.m. Jim Corr.

Fri. 16<sup>th</sup> 10a.m. \_\_\_\_\_

Sat 17<sup>th</sup> 10am. Agnes & Jim Malone.

6.30pm. Kosina Family.

Sun. 18<sup>th</sup> 10a.m. Michael & Lisa Crosby.

12 noon. Peggy McQuillan.





