

# Parish Of Haggardstown and Blackrock

*Church of St. Furszy & 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 in an open and compassionate way.**

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

1. Reaching Out, Community Building.
2. Faith Formation.
3. 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

*Aliyah Rose Everitt-Gray*

*Róisín Anne Boland*

### Baptisms:

Baptisms will be celebrated on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>

Saturday of each month in St. Fursey's

Church at 5pm. On the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of

each month in St. Oliver Plunkett Church at

5pm. Registration for Baptism must be given

to either priest with a minimum of three

weeks notice. All parents are encouraged to

attend arranged Pre Baptismal Course.

### 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.

## Today is the Solemnity of St. Patrick, Bishop, Principal Patron of Ireland:

### St. Patrick's Breastplate.

Christ be with me, Christ within me,

Christ before me, Christ behind me,

Christ beneath and Christ above,

Christ on my right hand, Christ on my left.

Christ with me waking, walking and sleeping.

Christ in every heart thinking of me.

Christ on every tongue speaking to me.

Christ in every eye that sees me.

Christ in every ear that hears me.

*St. Patrick's life of fidelity is an inspiration to us. May St. Patrick continue*

*to illuminate our lives through the gift of the faith.*

*The first collection this weekend is in support to the Church's Ministry*

*to emigrants and immigrants.*

**Lent:** Lent is the most solemn season for the Catholic Church and it culminates in the high point of our liturgical calendar; ***Easter Sunday***. Lent is the

time of preparation for Easter. Through prayers, penance (including partici-

pating in the Sacrament of Reconciliation/Confession), acts of charity and

self-denial we are called to renewal of our Christian life in the preparation for

Easter.

**Mass Times during Lent commencing Ash Wednesday:**

**St. Fursey's Church:** 9a.m. and 7p.m. (Mon-Fri)

**St. Oliver Plunkett Church:** 10a.m.

**Lenten Reflections:** *The Gospel and Me*. Reflection on the following Sun-

day's Gospel during Lent will take place in the Meeting Room of St. Fursey's

Church, Haggardstown, and continues at 7.30p.m. on Tues 19<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup> March

and concludes on 2<sup>nd</sup> April.

*Let us connect with the Gospel. Let us connect with each other.*

*Let us connect with God.*

**Making Time:**

1. Make a special effort to participate in Mass.

2. Make a visit to the Blessed Sacrament.

3. Make the Stations of the Cross.

4. Make a special effort to spend time together in family prayer.

5. Abstain from alcoholic drink or smoking.

6. Fast from all food for a longer period than usual, and give what is

saved to the needy.

7. Abstain from meat or some other food.

8. Help someone who is sick, old or lonely.

**Parish Offertory Collection 9<sup>th</sup>/10<sup>th</sup> Mar: €3,555.00.**

*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*

## Parish Pastoral Council.

The theme at all Masses next weekend

(23<sup>rd</sup>/24<sup>th</sup> March)

will be the role of the

Parish Pastoral Council.

## Charity: Trócaire Lenten Campaign:

focuses

this year on the issue of land rights. The heart of

the issue is the impact that losing land or being

deprived of the right to land has on people and

communities in the developing world. The Trócaire

box features three little girls from Guatemala,

Uganda, and Lebanon. Each has experienced the

trauma of losing their land, home or livelihood,

either through exploitation, the fact that they are

female, or through conflict. For more details visit

www.trocaire/lent

Trócaire boxes are available at the entrances to the

Churches. ***To change the world we must be good***

***to those who cannot repay us*** (Pope Francis).

**Please support Trócaire.**

**Sacrament of Confirmation:** will be celebrated in

St. Fursey's Church, Haggardstown on Thurs 21<sup>st</sup>

March at 11a.m. by Very Rev. Canon Eugene

Sweeney. PP.VG.

**Sacrament of First Reconciliation:**

**St. Oliver Plunkett N.S.** Wed. 27<sup>th</sup> March at

7.30p.m.

**St. Francis N.S.** Thurs. 28<sup>th</sup> March at 7.30p.m.

**St. Fursey's N.S.** Tues. 2<sup>nd</sup> April at 7.30p.m.

**Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock:**

on Sun 26<sup>th</sup> May 2019.

## St. Fursey's Cemetery Haggardstown:

Work is in progress on the Calvary Scene. The cost of the

Corten Steel Cross is €10,200.00. The cost of the Altar

and Electrical works is in the process of being finalised.

**Spring Clergy Dues**

The Parish Dues are collected four times a year. We are

indebted to the work of the dues collectors and the support

of parishioners. The Spring Clergy 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 appreci-

ate the help and support of any parishioners 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. "Spring Clergy Dues"

envelopes at entrance to the Church. Once again we

sincerely thank all parishioners for their support and

generosity.

**Kids Art and Craft Classes:** commencing on Sat 6<sup>th</sup>

April at 12.30pm. - 1.30pm. In the Legion of Mary Hall,

Sandy Lane, Blackrock. For more details Tel Fergus on

086-0559760 or Fergus Maguire Art Academy Facebook.

**Dundalk Dog Rescue wants you!** Do you have a dog?

Do you want to become part of a bigger dog walking

community? Sign up to the Dundalk Dog Rescue 100k

Dog Walk challenge this April. For more details go to

www.100kdogwalk.com The idea is simple, walk a total

of 100kilometres throughout the month of April with your

dog (or dogs, or your neighbours dog!)

**Geraldines Lotto Results:** Numbers drawn for a jackpot

of €5,000. on Tues 12<sup>th</sup> Mar. 6, 10, 13, 28. No jackpot

winner. 4 match 3 winner share €200. 1. Jamie McGivern.

2. Amanda Murphy. 3. Margaret Cotter. 4. Dermot

Rogers. Next draw on Tues 19<sup>th</sup> March for jackpot of

€5,200.

*Requiescant in Peace: Mona Quinn, Dublin Road. Anna Kavanagh, Sandygrove. Sheila McConville, Portadown.*

## Anniversaries and Memoriam Masses

St. Fursey's Haggardstown			St. Oliver Plunkett's Blackrock		
Sun. 17 <sup>th</sup>	9a.m.	James, Alice & Seamus McAteer	Sat. 16 <sup>th</sup>	6.30p.m.	
		& Nicholas & Ellen McKeever.	Sun. 17 <sup>th</sup>	10a.m.	Kathleen Carlisle.
	11a.m.	Dr. Liam Whately.		12 noon.	Phyllis & Thomas White.
Mon. 18 <sup>th</sup>	9a.m.	Emmet & Eileen McGorman.	Mon. 18 <sup>th</sup>	10a.m.	Liam Kearney.
	7p.m.	No Mass.	Tues. 19 <sup>th</sup>	10a.m.	Deceased Members of Leahy
Tues. 19 <sup>th</sup>	9a.m.	John & Margaret Kerr.			& Galligan Families.
	7p.m.		Wed. 20 <sup>th</sup>	10a.m.	Nan Lawless.
Wed. 20 <sup>th</sup>	9a.m.	Kathleen English.	Thurs. 21 <sup>st</sup>	10a.m.	
	7p.m.		Fri. 22 <sup>nd</sup>	10a.m.	Charlie Lambe.
Thurs. 21 <sup>st</sup>	9a.m.	Margaret & Michael Goss	Sat. 23 <sup>rd</sup>	10a.m.	Claire Parkes.
		Francis & Selena & deceased		6.30p.m.	Eamon Woods & Deceased Members
	7p.m.	Members McArdle Family.			of Woods & Connolly Families.
Fri. 22 <sup>nd</sup>	9a.m.		Sun. 24 <sup>th</sup>	10a.m.	Colm Wilson.
	7p.m.	Annie & Brian Renaghan.		12 noon.	Doreen McKeown &
Sat. 23 <sup>rd</sup>	9a.m.	Mary Anne & Michael McKeown.			Patrick O'Connor.
Sun 24 <sup>th</sup>	9a.m.				
	11a.m.	Ian Brennan			
		M.M. Patrick 'Pat' Rafferty.			





