

Aghaviller Parish Newsletter
(Hugginstown, Newmarket and Stoneyford).
28th. and 29th. November 2020. - “First Sunday of
Advent”

Priests Living within the Parish:

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Please do not hesitate to ring if you need assistance.

If the guidelines to be announced for Tuesday 1st. December permits; Masses will resume immediately.

Mass Times in Aghaviller Parish: - Tuesday 1st. to Sunday 6th. December 2020.

Hugginstown: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday at 9.30a.m.

Stoneyford: Vigil - Saturday 5th. at 8.00p.m. Sunday 6th. at 10.00a.m.
Wednesday and Friday at 7.00p.m. Vigil - Saturday 6th. at 6.30p.m.

Monday 30th. Feast of St. Andrew (Apostle). **Thursday 3rd.** Feast of St. Francis Xavier.

Pray For: Denis Heaslip, Knocktopher, who died during the week.

Anniversaries: Pat and Margaret Irish, Hugginstown; Martin Brennan, Gowlna. Jack Power, Newmarket.

Hanrahan Family, Sheepstown. **Lily Rohan.** Carricketna

Anniversary Masses next week:

In Hugginstown Church on Saturday 5th. December at 8.00p.m. - Michael Murphy, Lismatigue.

In Hugginstown Church on Sunday 6th. December at 10.00a.m. - Peter Kenneally, Barnadown

Rota for next week-end: 5th. and 6th. December 2020 - (Second Sunday of Advent)

Readers:

Stoneyford: Saturday 6.30p.m. Tony Roche. **Hugginstown:** Saturday 8.00p.m. Tommy Murphy; Sunday 10.00a.m. John Barron

Eucharistic Ministers:

Stoneyford: Saturday 6.30p.m. Kitty Wallace. **Hugginstown:** Saturday 8.00p.m. Kay Power; Sunday 10.00a.m. Mary Cuddihy.

Covid-19:

Proper protocols are again in place in both Churches for the safety of all.

Week-end Masses in the Parish will be as follows while numbers are restricted: Stoneyford Church on Saturdays at 6.30p.m: Hugginstown Church on Saturdays at 8.00p.m. and Sundays at 10.00a.m.

1. Please use the seats that are marked for seating: Every second row of seats is available for seating and family members are asked to sit together in the same seat. Wear a face mask in the Church at all times.
2. There is still restricted numbers permitted in Churches. The Maximum number permitted is 50.

Please let us know if you are staying outside, as outside speaker can be turned on and Holy Communion given.

3. Attendance at Funeral Masses will also be limited to 50, observing social distance.

Attendance will again be limited over the Christmas Period. Extra Masses will be celebrated to cope with numbers: if you have any ideas on suitable Mass Times over Christmas please let us know.

We are still required to: a. Wash our hands properly and often: b. Practice social distancing.

c. Cover coughs and sneezes: d. Wear a face mask in Churches, Shops and crowded outdoor settings.

Lotto: - Aghaviller Parish and Carrickshock G. A. A.

Lotto will resume on Monday 7th. December. Jackpot is €20,000.00. Your support is always appreciated.

Collections: (If you wish to donate directly.)

For Aghaviller Parish Funds: Use IBAN: IE74 AIBK 9330 9000 0610 47 (BIC: AIBKIE2D)

For the support of the Clergy: Use IBAN: IE19 AIBK 9330 9000 0561 20 (BIC: AIBKIE2D).

All Parish Property and Accounts are registered under the (Diocese of Ossory, Reg. Charity No. 20015831)

November Offerings:

Many thanks to all who have contributed to the October Stations and November Offerings recently. Envelopes are still available in the Church Porch. Please use them for your offering, Your contribution can be left into the Parish House or you may donate directly - Use IBAN: IE19 AIBK 9330 9000 0561 20 (BIC: AIBKIE2D).

Sunday Mass Times on the Web: (Local)

St. Canice's Church www.stcanicesparish.ie at 10.00a.m. St. Mary's Cathedral: www.stmaryscathedral.ie at 11.00a.m.

Thomastown Church: www.thomastownparishwebcam. at 10.00a.m. Callan Church: www.callanparish.ie at 11.00a.m.

Mooncoin Church; www.mooncoinparish.ie at 11.00a.m. St. John's Church: www.stjohnskilkenny.com at 11.30a.m.

Ossory Adult Faith Development: - Advent Programme:

“Thought for the Day” during Advent; Text your phone number to 085 831 3100

“Faith, Hope and Love” Three night Virtual Retreat from Tuesday to Thursday 1st. to 3rd. December

“Ministers of the Word” Advent Retreat on Wednesday and Thursday 16th./17th. December

“Prayer Group” Pray and Reflect the Scriptures. Starting on Monday 30th. November

“Diocesan Carol Service” On Sunday 20th. December at 8.00p.m. live on KCLR. 96fm.

If you would like more information on any of these resources please contact by email AFD Office at afd@ossory.ie or Tel: 056 775 3624. And further details online at www.ossory.ie

Trócaire:

‘This year has been very challenging for Trócaire but as ever our network of supporters has risen to this challenge and we have no doubt that we will have a successful Christmas with your help’.

As you know Christmas is a busy time for Trócaire and they have recently launched their Christmas ‘Gifts of Love’ which allows people to buy vital gifts for the people they support. They have 17 Gifts in total this year ranging from a 6 month supply of Soap for a family to their new Quarantine Care Kit which gives a family everything they will need for 16 days of quarantine. This year they are asking for your help to promote their ‘Gifts of Love’: If you would like any more information please do not hesitate to contact them at gifts@trocaire.org

Newsletter:

If you wish to receive the weekly Newsletter by email, please drop your email address to liamcassin@ossory.ie.

The Newsletter is available on the Stoneyford Website every weekend. (Stoneyford.ie:) News. It can also be collected in Church or Fitzgerald’s Shop. All notices for the Newsletter to be left in by Thursdays at 5.00p.m. please.

Contact: Telephone: 056 776 8693 or email liamcassin@ossory.ie.

29th. November 2020 - “First Sunday of Advent”

First Reading

A reading from the Prophet Isaiah:

You, Lord, yourself are our Father, ‘Our Redeemer’ is your ancient name. Why, Lord, leave us to stray from your ways and harden our hearts against fearing you? Return, for the sake of your servants, the tribes of your inheritance. Oh, that you would tear the heavens open and come down! at your Presence the

mountains would melt. No ear has heard, no eye has seen any god but you act like this for those who trust him.

You guide those who act with integrity and keep your ways in mind. You were angry when we were sinners;

we had long been rebels against you. We were all like men unclean, all that integrity of ours like filthy clothing.

We have all withered like leaves and our sins blew us away like the wind. No one invoked your name

or roused himself to catch hold of you. For you hid your face from us and gave us up to the power of our sins.

And yet, Lord, you are our Father; we the clay, you the potter, we are all the work of your hand.

The Word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

Response: *Lord of hosts, bring us back; let your face shine on us and we shall be saved.*

O shepherd of Israel, hear us, shine forth from your cherubim throne.

O Lord, rouse up your might, O Lord, come to our help.

R.

God of hosts, turn again, we implore, look down from heaven and see.

Visit this vine and protect it, the vine your right hand has planted.

R.

May your hand be on the man you have chosen, the man you have given your strength.

And we shall never forsake you again; give us life that we may call upon your name. **R.**

Second Reading

A Reading from the First Letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians

May God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ send you grace and peace. I never stop thanking God for all the graces you have received through Jesus Christ. I thank him that you have been enriched in so many ways, especially in your teachers and preachers; the witness to Christ has indeed been strong among you so that you will not be without any of the gifts of the Spirit while you are waiting for our Lord Jesus Christ to be revealed; and he will keep you steady and without blame until the last day, the day of our Lord Jesus Christ,

because God by calling you has joined you to his Son, Jesus Christ; and God is faithful.

The Word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia! Let us see, O Lord, your mercy and give us your saving help.

Alleluia!

Gospel:

A Reading from the Gospel of St. Mark:

Jesus said to his disciples: 'Be on your guard, stay awake, because you never know when the time will come. It is like a man travelling abroad: he has gone from home, and left his servants in charge, each with his own task; and he has told the doorkeeper to stay awake. So stay awake, because you do not know when the master of the house is coming, evening, midnight, cockcrow, dawn; if he comes unexpectedly, he must not find you asleep. And what I say to you I say to all: Stay awake!'

The Gospel of the Lord.