

# *DIOCESAN NEWSLETTER*

*November 2019*



## **Visitation in Aglish Parish**

Congratulations to Rev. Hugh Nugent and all his team who have been visiting parishioners in Aglish parish on Saturday mornings for the past number of months. They are putting into practice 'Go Make Disciples' – our Pastoral Plan.

## **Vicars for Clergy**

Fr. Pat Butler and Fr. Brian Power have been appointed Vicars for Clergy in the Diocese. They attended two training days last month during a seminar given by Saint John Vianney Center, Pennsylvania, USA. Please pray for them as they offer this valuable service to their brother priests in the diocese.

## **Holy Family Mission, Glencomeragh**

A very successful Family Day was held on November 3<sup>rd</sup> including Mass, witness, games, saints fancy dress party, lunch, teaching, prayer, etc. 170 people attended.

### **Home of the Mother**

A group of Religious Sisters, Servants of the Home of the Mother, are moving into St. Mary's Parish, Cahir, taking up residence in the Parochial House. Please pray that they will carry out great work for the Lord in conjunction with Fr. Peter Cullen, Adm., and the parishioners of the parish.

### **Alpha Conference**

A very successful Alpha Conference was held on 18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> October in the Abbeyleix Manor Hotel. The largest number of delegates came from Waterford and Lismore Diocese. Alpha continues to spread across the diocese. Alpha has also designed an Alpha Parenting Course. This may be of interest in helping parents in your parish. Please contact the Diocesan Office with any queries.

### **Net Ministers**

Message from Net Team:

"Hello, we are the new Net Team and are helping out in schools and parishes across the diocese. If you would like to contact us we would be delighted to hear from you" Madeline, Ben, Sarah, Hannah and Benjamin. Email:

[waterfordlismoreteam@netministries.ie](mailto:waterfordlismoreteam@netministries.ie)



### **Successful Transition Year Day at Mount Melleray**

Thanks to those who organised a day in Mount Melleray recently for transition year students. 100 students attended and enjoyed the day.

### **Diocesan Secretary**

Our new Diocesan Secretary is Lee Walsh, a native of Killea. Please pray for Lee in his new role. Once again, we wish Matthew well; he is now working in Wisconsin, USA.

### **Vocations**

Our Vocations Team needs to be broadened. Fr. Billy Meehan and Fr. Shane O'Neill currently form our Vocations Team. If you would like to suggest people with a passion for vocations promotion, please contact the diocesan office. Please keep in mind our two seminarians in Rome, John and Mark and two new candidates who will begin their Propaedeutic Year in Salamanca in January 2020.

### **Diocesan Youth Officer**

Interviews for a Diocesan Youth Officer will take place on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> November. Please pray that we get the best candidate for this important position.

### **Advent Reflection**



On Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> November, Sr. Antoinette Dilworth will present an Advent Reflection entitled "*Connecting to the Invisible Force within each one of us and within all creation*" at St. John's Pastoral Centre, Waterford. It will begin at 7.30pm and will be followed by light refreshments. All are welcome.

## Prayer for Holy Souls

During the month of November, we remember in a special way, those who have gone before us to their eternal home. Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and may perpetual light shine upon them.

*Come to me, all you are who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest.  
Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart,  
and you will find rest for your souls.*

## Week of Witness

Aid to the Church in Need, Ireland, is having a 'Week of Witness' to pray for Christians who are being persecuted. From Monday 25<sup>th</sup> of November to the 1<sup>st</sup> of December you are asked to pray and remember persecuted Christians and also to wear RED (tie, scarf, jumper etc. etc.), for all the Martyrs that have fallen here in Ireland and abroad, because they simply believed in Jesus Christ and professed their faith. Your participation and prayers for that week and in particular on the 27<sup>th</sup> of November is appreciated. #REDWEDNESDAY .



## Lightfever Events

'Lightfever' involves Eucharistic Adoration, the Sacrament of Reconciliation, Scripture, Prayer Ministry, Music Ministry and Street Evangelisation with a candlelit church. The next event will be held at the Cathedral on November 23<sup>rd</sup> from 1.45pm to 4.45pm. Other dates include 21<sup>st</sup> December and 28<sup>th</sup> December.

**Holy Family Mission Winter Fundraiser**  
Friday 29th Nov- 7pm

**Glencomeragh House**  
Kilsheelan, Clonmel, Co. Tipperary E91 H584

Come along for a night of testimony,  
prayer, Mass, music and refreshments.

**All are welcome!**

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