



# INIS CEALTRA PASTORAL AREA

## SCARIFF PARISH NEWSLETTER



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2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday Lent

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### Parish Masses

#### March 2026:

**Saturday:** Scariff 6.30pm

**Sunday:** Scariff 11am

**Weekdays:** Scariff: Monday – Friday (inclusive) 10am

#### Masses in other Churches:

**Saturday:** Kilclaran 7pm

**Sunday:** Bodyke 9.30am; Flagmount 9.30am; St Mary's Ogonelloe 11am; Whitegate 10am

#### April 2026:

**Sunday:** Clonusker 9am; Scariff 11am;

**Weekdays:** Scariff: Monday – Friday (inclusive) 10am

#### Masses in other Churches:

**Saturday:** Tuamgraney 6.30pm; Mountshannon 7pm; St Molua's Ogonelloe 8pm

**Sunday:** Killanena 9.30am; Feakle 10am

### Anniversary Masses

Saturday	28 Feb	6:30pm	Michael and Ann Downes
Sunday	1 Mar	11:00am	Eamonn Long
Saturday	7 Mar	6:30pm	John and Mary Jones, Aughrim Paddy and Mary Corbett and their sons Pat and Seamus Vincent and Bridie Rodgers and Una McMahon

*"We look, not to the things that are seen, but to things that are unseen", St Paul*

### Dates for you Diary

**Prayer Ritual for Confirmation-** Sunday 8th March at 11am

**Prayer Ritual for First Reconciliation & Holy Communion-** Sunday 15th March at 11am

**Celebration of Sacrament of First Reconciliation** – Wednesday 25th March at 7.30pm

**Celebration of Sacrament of Confirmation-** Friday 8th May at 12 Noon

**Celebration of First Holy Communion-** Saturday 16th May at 12 Noon

### Lectio Divina

Finding God In our lives through the Sunday Gospel will continue the Sacristy of Sacred Heart Church, Scariff on **Tuesday 3rd at 6.30p.m.** Please note earlier start of 6.30pm.

### Trócaire Boxes

TROCAIRE BOXES for Lent are available at the back of the Church. The theme of the 2026 Trócaire Lenten campaign centres on the story of a multi-generational, female-led household in rural Rwanda.

### Faith at the Cross Roads

This Lenten talk organised by the Inis Cealtra Pastoral Area will take place on **Tuesday 3rd March at 7.30pm** in the Teagasc Centre, Scariff V94 NX58. Dan O' Connell from Mary Immaculate College, Limerick will give input on the night. All are welcome.

### Stations of the Cross

Stations of the Cross will be prayed after 10am Mass each Thursday. We invite & encourage as many as possible to join with us.

**Please note that March schedule of Masses will commence on Saturday February 28th**

## Basket Collectors

We say sincere thanks to all who are involved in our Liturgies each weekend and thank you for your commitment. At this time we are inviting people who may be willing to help with organising the “passing around & collecting baskets at each Mass”. The more people the better so make things lot easier & not to have to do too often. Please let Fr. Pat or any member of the Pastoral Council know if you are will to be part of this group.

## Annual Matt Talbot Novena

This takes place each **Wednesday night at 7pm** in Tulla Church, beginning with Mass and Benediction. This year marks the 25th Anniversary of the Novena. Attending this Novena could be your Lenten resolution.

**Annual church gate collection for Scariff St Patrick's Day Parade, we will be on Saturday 7th and Sunday 8th March.**

## Baptised and Sent – Irish Synodal Journey

“Deepening faith formation was described as essential to move “from inherited faith to intentional discipleship.” Catechesis should be anchored in “authentic, lived faith, not just doctrine,” and ensure both laity and clergy are well-formed for ministry. Several groups linked adult catechesis, teacher training, and lay formation directly to mission, evangelisation, and meaningful liturgy.” Paragraph 31

In what way/s is faith formation a priority for you, your family and your parish?

What concrete actions or steps can I/we take to make faith formation a priority?

Gracious God, We thank you for journeying with us and for all that has been shared. Help us to remember that we are all Baptised and Sent and give us the courage and energy to make a difference in our world. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

## Offertory Collection

Thanks also for your kind and generous support for our Offertory collection: 22 February: €630.

## Lourdes Pilgrimage

Bishop Fintan will lead both our Diocesan summer and autumn pilgrimages this year. Wednesday 24th to Monday 29th June cost €990 pps and Monday 28th September to Saturday 3rd October cost €960 pps. Book directly with [joewalshstours.ie](http://joewalshstours.ie) or tel 01 2410800

A limited number of **assisted pilgrims** will be accommodated in Accueil Norte Dame in the grounds of the sanctuary. For more information on this section only please contact Mary Freeman at [marybfreeman@gmail.com](mailto:marybfreeman@gmail.com) or tel 087 9777896 Each year some people **sponsor a sick or assisted pilgrim** to make their wish of travelling to Lourdes become a reality. The cost €890 per pilgrim. To sponsor or part sponsor a pilgrim, please contact Fr. Tom Ryan, Pilgrimage Director (087) 2349816

## Scariff Bay Community Radio Table Quiz

Scariff Bay Community Radio are holding their annual Table Quiz on Friday March 6th in McNamara's, Scariff at 9pm sharp. Tables of 4 @ €20 with finger food and raffle on the night. your local Community Radio.

## ACCORD Marriage Preparation

Are you getting married in 2026? Accord Catholic Marriage Care Service provides Marriage Preparation programmes for couples choosing to get married in the Catholic Church. Make a booking today for courses in Nenagh or Ennis at [www.accord.ie](http://www.accord.ie)

## Eucharistic Healing Retreat in Knock

**EUCCHARISTIC HEALING RETREAT IN KNOCK SHRINE**, led by gifted Croatian Priest, Fr Rozo Palic Saturday March 7th & Sunday March 8th. Venue: St. John's Welcome Centre; Saturday 10:00 am - 6:30 pm & Sunday 10:00 am - 4:30 pm. He will be supported by his Croatian Music Ministry team; no prior booking required; everyone is most welcome and please bring a packed lunch. For further enquires please contact, Patricia on 089 9466193 or Fiona on [fionatjennings@yahoo.com](mailto:fionatjennings@yahoo.com).

## Thought for the Week

“You’re the greatest project you will ever work on. Take your time!”