

### The Synodal Pathway

The Irish Bishops' Conference has announced it has proposed to embark on a synodal pathway for the Catholic Church in Ireland leading to the holding of a National Synodal Assembly within the next five years. The initial two-year phase of embarking on the synodal pathway and leading, in time, to a National Synod, helpfully coincides with preparation for the 2022 Ordinary General Assembly of Bishops in Rome entitled, *For a synodal Church: communion, participation and mission*. Before embarking on the Synodal Pathway consultation, between Easter (5 April) and Pentecost (23 May), 2021, bishops are inviting submissions to reflect on what methods/models to adopt in these coming two years of conversations. For example: focus groups, questionnaires, deep-listening sessions; written submissions; family-focused gatherings; summary of findings of assemblies that have already taken place across dioceses; and/or conferences. For more information about the Synodal Pathway and how to submit your response, see [www.catholicbishops.ie/synod](http://www.catholicbishops.ie/synod)

### National Synodal Assembly of the Church in Ireland

Zoom Meeting on Mon. 26th April, 7.30 - 8 pm. The Office for Pastoral and Faith Development will host an initial informal conversation for those who may wish to respond personally to the bishops' invitation for submissions re: "methods/models to adopt in these coming two years of conversations" ([www.catholicbishops.ie/synod](http://www.catholicbishops.ie/synod)). All welcome. Zoom details available from Justin @ 087 6171526 / [justin@elphindiocese.ie](mailto:justin@elphindiocese.ie)

### Irish Hospice Bereavement Support Line

Many people have experienced the death of someone they love during the COVID-19 pandemic. It may have been a COVID-related death or a death from other causes. In the face of such loss, our Irish Hospice Foundation Bereavement Support Line, in partnership with the HSE, is there to provide connection, comfort and support for anyone grieving in these exceptional times. It is a national freephone service 1800 80 70 77, available from 10am to 1pm, Monday to Friday.

### Prayer to St Joseph, Patron of the Church, Patron of Workers, Guardian of the Redeemer and often invoked as Patron of a Happy Death.

To you, O blessed Joseph, do we come in our afflictions, and having implored the help of your most holy Spouse, we confidently invoke your patronage also. Through that charity which bound you to the Immaculate Virgin Mother of God and through the paternal love with which you embraced the Child Jesus, we humbly beg you graciously to regard the inheritance which Jesus Christ has purchased by his Blood, and with your power and strength to aid us in our necessities.

O most watchful guardian of the Holy Family, defend the chosen children of Jesus Christ; O most loving father, ward off from us every contagion of error and corrupting influence; O our most mighty protector, be kind to us and from heaven assist us in our struggle with the power of darkness. As once you rescued the Child Jesus from deadly peril, so now protect God's Holy Church from the snares of the enemy and from all adversity; shield, too, each one of us by your constant protection, so that, supported by your example and your aid, we may be able to live piously, to die in holiness, and to obtain eternal happiness in heaven. Amen.

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## Fourth Sunday of Easter World Day of Prayer for Vocations

“The Good Shepherd is one who  
lays down his life for his sheep.”

**John 10:10**

*Visit us on [ahamlish.com](http://ahamlish.com)*

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*Ahamlish Parish Sligo Facebook Page.*

*Join us every Sunday 12noon for Mass through our FB Page.*

### Pope's Intention (universal) for May 2021

Let us pray that those in charge of finance will work with governments to regulate the financial sphere and protect citizens from its dangers.

### Let us Dream The Path to a Better Future – Pope Francis in conversation with Austen Ivereigh

After seeing reality around us we must choose, which demands that we spend time to discern the signs of the times and listen to each other and the Holy Spirit in a synodal approach.

A "stoppage" (in life) can always be a good time for sifting, for reviewing the past, for remembering with gratitude, who we are, what we have been given, and where we have gone astray. These are moments in life that can be ripe for change and conversion. Each of us has had their own "stoppage" time, or if we haven't yet we will someday: illness, the failure of a marriage or a business... a disappointment or betrayal... At such moments we need others to walk with us... people who are wise, who have been through the fire, who can help you navigate what is to come.

(Pp 35-36)

### National vocations office

Contact us, tel: 01505318, email:eric.cooney@vocations.ie

### Grange's Young Olympian

Well done to **Mona McSharry** on making the time needed to be part of Swim Team Ireland at Tokyo Olympics. Mona now an Olympian.

**Affordable Live-in Homecare** provides live-in carers for the elderly in your area. If you are looking for a live-in carer for your relative, please call Eileen or Tom today on 087 9916791 or 087 7440729. Our website is [www.alhomecare.ie](http://www.alhomecare.ie)

### Holy Hour Online

Elphin Youth Ministry with Elphin NET Team will host a Holy Hour every Tuesday evening which will be broadcast on Facebook live and Instagram. It can be accessed via any of the links below.

Music, Prayer, Reflection, Healing and Blessing. Facebook Live:

<https://www.facebook.com/elphindiocese/live> Instagram: [Instagram: Instagram.com/elphinnetteam](https://www.instagram.com/elphinnetteam)

### Accord – Relationship Counselling

Accord is open for relationship counselling in these difficult times. Professional Counsellors are available to help explore any difficulties you may have in your relationship in a safe and friendly atmospheres. Please contact Ann at 087-6765425 for more information. All HSE guidelines observed for Counselling.

### Accord Counsellors

Accord is recruiting experienced practitioners to train in the specialism of Couples and Relationships Counselling. Successful applicants will have an opportunity to follow a 16 day Level 6/Level 8 Certificate programme in Couples Counselling (in-person/blended learning) and a further 105 hours training in online and telephone counselling with individuals and couples with an external provider commissioned by Accord. Do you have: Minimum Level 5 (UK)/Level 7 (RoI) qualification in Counselling/Psychotherapy? Substantial experience of working in the Person-Centred style? Minimum 100 counselling hours post-graduation? A current supervised caseload? **If you can answer yes to all four questions above, please contact [www.accord.ie](http://www.accord.ie) for further information about this unique Couples Counselling training package. Final date for receipt of applications 07/06/2021.**

### BurnsFarmMeats.ie

New website launched. New meat packs available for collection or delivery. You can still phone 071 9166113. Congrats to Gerald, Diarmuid + Cathal.

### Masses Grange - All these masses available on Facebook

Sat 24 <sup>th</sup> April	9.30am	Feast of St. Fidelis
Sun 25 <sup>th</sup> April	12.00	Fourth Sunday of Easter Day of Prayer For Vocations Michael Joe Woods (8 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary) Bob Naughton, Luton + Streedagh (1 <sup>st</sup> Anniversary) Margaret + Jim Finnegan, Derrylehan
Mon 26 <sup>th</sup> April		For the People of the Parish
Tue 27 <sup>th</sup> April		Teresa Moran, Drumsna
Wed 28 <sup>th</sup> April		Feast of St. Peter Chanel + St. Louis de Montfort
Thur 29 <sup>th</sup> April		Feast of St. Catherine of Sienna
Fri 30 <sup>th</sup> April		
Sat 1 <sup>st</sup> May		Feast of St. Joseph the Worker
Sun 2 <sup>nd</sup> May		Dr. Frank Maguire (6 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary)
<b>Collections:</b> <i>Cliffoney Collection: €1465 Holy Places: €75</i>		

### Please remember in your prayers:

**Liam McGonigle**, Pearse Terrace, Sligo and Beach Drive, Mullingar. R.I.P. 19<sup>th</sup> April at home. Our sympathy to his wife Louise + son Stephen, sister Mary + brother Fr. Hugh, nieces + nephews, uncle, aunts, cousins. Funeral took place in Mullingar Cathedral on Wed 28<sup>th</sup> April at 12.30 with burial in St. Michael Cemetery, Castlepollard.

**Joan McCann**, Brick, New Jersey, USA died 15<sup>th</sup> April. Our sympathy to her husband Tom, McCann Family and relatives, Carns + Milk Harbour.

### In the Age of the Spirit: An Eastertide Series

Tuesdays, 7.30-9.00pm, Galilee Spirituality Centre.

All Welcome. Booking and Link [info@galilee.ie](mailto:info@galilee.ie) €5 donation.

**April 27<sup>th</sup> : Bishop Paul Dempsey, The Contemporary Irish Church - A Church of Crisis or Opportunity?**

A native of Carlow, Paul was ordained for the Diocese of Kildare and Leighlin in 1997. He has worked in parish ministry, mainly in large urban settings. He was Diocesan Director of Youth Ministry and Vocations for a number of years, and worked in the area of communications, both local print media, and local radio. He was ordained Bishop of Achonry in January 2020.

### Athlone IT Research – Irish Centenarians

Are you or someone you know aged 100 years or older? Athlone Institute of Technology is currently researching the lives lived by Irish centenarians and is actively looking for participants. Contact Alison via email at [a.fagan@research.ait.ie](mailto:a.fagan@research.ait.ie) for more information on this project.

### Among the 50 Best Places to Stay/Holiday in Ireland 2021:

Milk Harbour is the best place to stay + Eithna's By the Sea, Mullaghmore is the place to eat. Well done everyone.

### Prayers of the Faithful

On this World Day of Prayer for Vocations we pray for all those called to lay down their lives as priest, deacons, and in the consecrated life, that they will be faithful witnesses to the Good Shepherd in our midst.