

26TH JULY 2026
TEMPLEMORE, CLONMORE & KILLEA PARISH

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**THE FOLLOWING ANNIVERSARIES
OCCUR AT THIS TIME**

26th July: Templemore 10.30am:

† Maggie Flood, Dromard, Clonmore.

† Dylan Mullins.

† Tom Ahearne.

12noon Killea:

† Stephen Bourke, Anniv.

† Michael & Margaret Egan, Park, Killea.

28th July: 9.30am: Liturgy of the Word & Holy Communion.

1st Aug: 7pm:

† Paddy & Mary O'Reilly, Roscrea.

2nd Aug: Templemore 10.30am:

† Christina O'Mahony.

† Mitch Fogarty, Marion Rd, **18th Anniv.**

We remember those who died recently

† Jim Roche, Irishtown, Co. Mayo.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION – Last weekend €1,935. We thank all who support & give so generously to our parish. **If you would like to donate to the parish you can drop in to the parish office or you can now donate online @ www.templemoreparish.ie/donate.** You can select the collection you wish to donate to and follow the on screen instructions.

PARISH LOTTO DRAW – 20th July, 2026 – Jackpot €5,450. Numbers Drawn: 3, 12, 13, 28. **No Jackpot Winner.** 3 Lucky Dip Winners: Joanne Nolan, Fr. Conor Hayes, Anne Loughnane. Next week's jackpot €5,600. Lotto available online. For details contact parish office. Congratulations to our winners & thank you for your support.

DEDICATION OF THE NEW CHURCH IN SACRED HEART PARISH – MUTARE DIOCESE – On Sat 25th July we rejoice with the parishioners, with Fr. Francis and our parishioners and representatives Frances & Bridget. Thanks to the Templemore Mission Fund for their support to this project, for the loyal support of the community – grateful appreciation. Certainly, the Praise and Glory of God will be sung and celebrated in this beautiful house of God. We rejoice in thanksgiving with all who assemble and pray with Fr. Francis and Bishop Paul Horan.

PARISH FUNERAL TEAM – for July is Lisa Daly & Jim Connolly. Grateful thanks to all members of the parish funeral team for their ministry and service.

ART EXHIBITION – in Cabragh Wetlands Centre, Holycross opening at 7.30pm on August 7th and continuing on 8th and 9th August from 12noon to 6pm - Artist Mary Finn and friends. All profits to Thurles Cathedral "Raise the Roof" fund.

UPCOMING COLLECTIONS

August Clergy Collection

– will be taken up at all Masses 1st & 2nd
Aug.

Feast of the Assumption

– will be taken up at all Masses 14th & 15th
Aug.

Thank you for your faithful giving and continued support of our church.

The theme chosen by Pope Leo XIV for the 6th World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly – "I will never forget you" (Is 49:15) – reminds us that God's unwavering love is the ultimate answer to the isolation and neglect so often experienced by the elderly. It brings comfort and hope, assuring us that the Lord knows each of us personally, forgets no one, and loves us unconditionally, even through the frailties of old age.

ANNUAL NATIONAL GRANDPARENTS PILGRIMAGE

– celebrating the 6th World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly. Commencing at 2:30pm Sunday 26th July Knock Shrine - Chief Celebrant Archbishop Eamon Martin with the Anointing of the Sick, a day of grace and blessing for the whole family as we honour grandparents and the elderly. Please join us. All are welcome.

We ourselves feel that what we are doing is just a drop in the ocean. But the ocean would be less because of that missing drop. – Mother Teresa.

PARISH COLLECTIONS

Following on from last week's details re finance from parish collections for the last six months – a brief explanation of each of the target based collections:

COMMON FUND – This collection provides financial support for priests serving in the Archdiocese. The total estimated Common Fund expenditure for 2026 is €1.558m. Our parish must contribute €59,400.

DIOCESAN SERVICES – This is for the administration of the Archdiocese with legal, financial, pastoral care of priests, people, property and assets - estimated expenditure for 2026 is €499k. Key areas of expenditure include: Wages and Salaries, St. Senan's Education Office, GDPR Compliance, Regional Marriage Tribunal, Safeguarding Children, Operational Costs, Towards Healing. Our parish must contribute €21,450.

VOCATIONS & PRIESTLY DEVELOPMENT – Diocesan contributions to retreats, to the Irish College in Rome and agreements with the Mutare diocese – estimated costs for 2026 - €65.8k. Our parish must contribute €2,475.

With the contributions from the other forty – five parishes and your contribution from Templemore Clonmore & Killea the Archdiocese can meet its estimated costs. Thank you again for your contribution to the collections through the year.

PASTORAL MINISTRY – Would you like to serve as a Pastoral Minister within your parish and parish pastoral combination? A programme in Pastoral Ministry and Leadership will begin in Oct and lead to a two year course of study in Mary Immaculate College, Thurles. Further information please contact Katherine Dullaghan, Pastoral Development Office on 086 1033761 or Fr. Conor. Leaflets available at Parish Office.

TEMPLEMORE ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION – is holding its annual Used Clothing Collection. We would greatly appreciate your support by donating any unwanted clothing, shoes (in pairs & in good condition), handbags, belts, hats, scarves, **NO PILLOWS OR DUVETS**. Every donation helps support the club and is greatly appreciated. For more info, please contact 086 861 9649. Thank you for your continued support.

Go placidly amid the noise and haste, and remember what peace there may be in silence. As far as possible without surrender be on good terms with all persons. Speak your truth quietly and clearly, and listen to others, even the dull and ignorant; they too have their story. – Max Ehrmann.



MASS ON THE DEVIL'S BIT

The Annual Mass on the Devils Bit Mountain will take place on Sun 9th Aug 2026, weather permitting. The programme will start with Rosary at 2.30pm. followed by Mass at 3.00pm. Persons wishing to attend should wear suitable clothing and footwear. The use of a walking stick/poles would be a help especially for senior citizens. Again this year a mini bus will be provided to transport people to and from the Mass. Assemble for the bus at **2.15pm** at the Arms Hotel. You are encouraged to attend and avail of the free bus transport.

ONE-DAY NON PENITENTIAL PILGRIMAGE TO LOUGHDERG – will take place on Tues 18th Aug 2026. A bus will leave from the diocese starting in Tipperary Town on Mon 17th Aug going via Knock for attendance at the Novena, overnight stay Bundoran with evening meal and B&B, travelling to Loughderg on Tuesday morning, leaving Loughderg around 4pm for our journey home with an evening meal in Roscommon. For details please contact Bridget O'Dea at 0866792754 or Fr Martin Murphy at 0863868877.

TEMPLEMORE SVP – will be holding their monthly church gate collection after all Parish Masses this weekend. Your continued support is much appreciated.

Just as the commandment 'Thou shalt not kill' set a clear limit in order to safeguard the value of human life, today we also have to say 'thou shalt not' to an economy exclusion and inequality. Such an economy kills. How can it be that it is not a news item when an elderly homeless person dies of exposure, but it is news when the stock market loses two points? This is a case of exclusion. Can we continue to stand by when food is thrown away while people are starving? This is a case of inequality. Today everything comes under the laws of competition and the survival of the fittest, where the powerful feed upon the powerless. As a consequence, masses of people find themselves excluded and marginalised: without work, without possibilities, without any means of escape.

– Pope Leo XIV