

Hello, my name is Emma Maloney, I was delighted to be appointed to the role of Maynooth Parish Youth Leader last December. I'm a native of Maynooth so it's such a blessing to be able to work in the area I love within my own parish.

A little about me; I have a BA in Theology, MA in Poetry Studies and a Diploma in Spirituality specialising in applied Youth Ministry and Facilitation. I have been actively involved in youth ministry since 2016 after taking a group of young people from Maynooth Parish to World Youth Day in Krakow.

I'm a mother so I understand the challenges that parents face today. I'm passionate about my faith and I'm really looking forward to nurturing and growing the faith of our young people in Maynooth. Since December I have been leading the wonderful volunteers for the Do This In Memory programme, started a children and parents Adoration group, facilitated Confirmation and First Holy Communion retreats and helped out with the children's liturgies for Christmas and Easter. My next project is to get Laudato Si' Award running for secondary school students. If you have any ideas that you think may be helpful feel free to come and have a chat with me. You can find me most days in the Pastoral Centre, or feel free to email me at parishvouthmavnooth@gmail.com

# History

Maynooth parish has a long history. Diocesan records tell us that the parish was founded around 1615, from the old parishes of Laraghbryan, Donaghmore and Taghadoe. It is the people of Maynooth and Ladychapel that form our parish community - a community that has expanded rapidly in recent years.

## **Our Services in Brief**

Two beautiful churches providing sacred and reflective space for everyone 12 Mass celebrations per week Beautiful celebrations of all of the sacraments Faith teaching in our schools A major new youth ministry led by our Parish Youth Leader and Team 4 excellent choirs Parish Office Pastoral Centre for meetings - spiritual, practical and social Comprehensive Funeral Service Services for the Sick

> Parish Contact Details Fr Frank McEvoy, P.P. Tel: 01 628 6220 Fr Paul Kelly, C.C. Tel: 087 246 3876 Martina Kennedy Parish Secretary Tel: 01 629 3018

Parish Office - Parish Pastoral Centre Moyglare Road W23 N663 Mon, Tues & Thurs. 9.00 a.m. – 4.00 p.m. Lunch 12.00 – 1.00 Wed. 9.00 a.m. – 12.00

Mass Times St Mary's Church Weekday Mass: 10.00 a.m. Saturday (Vigil): 7.00 p.m. Sunday: 08.45 a.m., 10.00 a.m., 11.30 a.m., 1.00 p.m. Ladychapel: Sunday 10.00 a.m.

Live streaming available @ www.maynoothparish.org Parish email: <u>office@maynoothparish.ie</u>

# Maynooth Parish St Mary's and Ladychapel

# Including Financial Statements 2023







We aim to be a living Parish where: All feel welcome, new and old; Everyone is appreciated and encouraged; People and priests work together to develop a caring, inclusive and welcoming community of faith and compassion; We care for those in need in our own lives, we aim to act justly, love tenderly and to walk humbly with our God; We place special focus on nurturing the faith in our young people.

# Parish Income & Expenditure 2023

INCOME	2023 €	2022 €
Donations and Bequests (Inc. Contributions from paypal and tap & go, and parish share of donations for baptisms, funerals and weddings)	27,411	27,476
Family Envelopes	42,073 *	38,261
Standing Orders	76,218 *	79,088
Tax Refund	29,231	28,694
Shrine Income	28,721	31,175
Bank interest received	282	-
Insurance refund for Covid-19 income loss	16,118	13,606
Total Parish Income	220,053	218,300

The above income excludes income which is passed on directly to the Diocese (i.e. the two Church Collections and Dues).

\*excludes increases for Parish Youth Leader fundraising, shown below.

#### EXPENDITURE

Shrine Expenses	9,910	10,797
Office Costs (including payroll and other fees, printing, telephone, postage, and equipment)	103,217	83,198
Facilities (heat, light, waste, insurance, security)	36,799	27,011
Bank Charges and Fees	1,911	1,408
Altar Supplies	4,611	4,130
Other Expenses (music and sacrament related expenses)	21,777	15,226
Local Property Taxes	1,385	1,385
Repairs and Maintenance	15,639	58,619
Parish Hospitality and Catering	1,936	2,384
Diocesan accounting system fees	1,933	2,095
Total Parish Expenditure	199,118	206,252
Operational Surplus for the year	20,935	12,048
Pastoral Centre Pledges (coming to an end)	3,244	9,914
Amount returned by the Archdiocese from our Living the Joy of Gospel fundraising	193,979	-
Tax refund received from Living the Joy of Gospel fundraising	15,756	-
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# **Thank You**

We would like to express our deep appreciation for your financial support in 2023. In addition to supporting the day to day running of the parish, parishioners responded so positively to our plans to appoint a Parish Youth Leader and to upgrade the grounds at St Mary's. We also received close to €200,000 from the Diocese from funds that were previously raised by parishioners for lay ministry, which are now fully available to us to fund the Parish Youth Leader project over the next 10 years. We have set this money aside, which, together with the new/increased contribution commitments from so many parishioners, ensures we have the finances in place to implement our plans to develop and nurture the faith among young people.

#### Notes to the 2023 Finances

To avail of higher interest rates, we have lodged a substantial portion of our bank balances with the Dublin Archdiocese, who have been helpful in using their bulk buying power to get very attractive rates from top rated deposit funds. There are certain payments which are not included in these accounts. Two collections are taken up during Masses. The first collection goes directly to the Diocesan Priests Common Fund  $(\in 82,364)$  from which the priests of the parish are paid. The second collection is for SHARE (€62,079). Dues monies received (€27,765), is also lodged directly to the Priests Common Fund and do NOT form part of parish income. We would like to thank the volunteers who, week in week out, handle all of the cash payments with care and in line with all correct procedures. Any gueries on Finance Report to willieh@live.ie

#### **Parish Finance Committee**

Fr Frank McEvoy, Fr Paul Kelly, Bernie O'Connor, Brian Forristal, Ciarán Briody, Joe Travers, Karen Kenny, Michael Gaffney, Senan Griffin and Willie Holmes (Chairperson).

## **Parish Pastoral Council**

Our Parish Pastoral council is a partnership of priests and lay people who work together to create a welcoming faith environment for all who seek God's presence. The council actively engages with the various parish groups, all of whom play a vital role in the everyday running of our parish. Every person has unique gifts and talents that they can bring to our faith community. It is fantastic to see our Altar servers back in the church and to see how many young people are involved again.

Including lay people in the day-to-day activities of the church is a priority. The active involvement of the laity is crucial in creating a vibrant and inclusive community. The council works to create opportunities for all parishioners to actively participate in the life of the parish and we encourage you to contact us through the Parish Office to share your thoughts and suggestions or to become involved in any of our groups. Your feedback will help us continually improve and grow as a parish. By actively empowering and encouraging lay participation we provide opportunities for parishioners to grow in their understanding and practice of the Catholic faith. Future planning is another significant aspect of the council's work. They engage in thoughtful and strategic discussions to ensure the long-term development and growth of the parish. This may include factors such as the changing needs of the community and resource allocation to effectively meet those needs. Working together we can ensure that our Parish remains a loving environment where everyone feels valued and connected.

## **Parish Pastoral Council**

Fr Frank McEvoy, Fr Paul Kelly, Fr Gerhard Osthues, Fr Cyril Odia, Ronan Barry, John Paul Reilly, Sheila Lee, Pauline Hogan, Emma Maloney and Mags Whitty (Chairperson).