

FOXFORD PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING

December 9th, 2025

Attendees	Fr Padraig Costello, Angela Neary, Geraldine Carroll, Michael Lavin, Annie Burke, Annie Murray, Geraldine Brett, and Donal Reilly.
Apologies	Laura Giblin, Helen Clarke, Willie O'Hara, Kathleen Ruane, Aoife Bourke and Mary Doherty

Parish News:

Recent events held in the parish and diocese were discussed:

- The Annual Remembrance Mass took place on Friday 21st November at 7pm in St Michaels Church. There was a large attendance with each parishioner receiving a cross and a candle for their deceased family member. Refreshments were served afterwards in the Brown Memorial Hall.
- The Baptismal Team met on 26th November to discuss their participation in Baptisms being planned from January 2026 onwards.
- The Foxford Brass and Reed Band hosted their Christmas Concert on Sunday the 30th November in St Michaels Church. Guest performers included St Michaels Church Choir and CCE Admiral Brown musicians.
- The Sacrament of Reconciliation took place on 4th December in St Michaels Church. There was a large attendance at this service.
- An auditor from the Achonry Diocese inspected the process of counting monies collected on 7th December.
- There were 3 masses celebrated on 8th December 'Feast of the Immaculate Conception' across the 3 Churches.

Upcoming events in the parish and diocese were discussed:

- Christmas Day masses for the 3 Churches were discussed, including the organization of additional readers and parishioners to bring up symbols to the altar. An additional mass is celebrated on Christmas Day in St Michaels Church to facilitate the large number of parishioners and visitors attending masses. In total Fr Padraig celebrates 5 masses across the 3 Churches for Christmas Day.
- Distribution of Christmas Newsletters, Calendars and Offertory envelopes.

Other Items:

- A cheque was given to the Admiral Brown Society in response to their request for assistance with the custodianship of the Cross on Braid.
- New kneelers have been installed in the main part of St Michaels Church.
- A new Committee has been appointed for the Brown Memorial Hall.