

# Parish of Derriaghy



**St. Patrick's Church**



**St. Colman's Church**

<b>Weekday Masses</b>	See inside bulletin for details.	
<b>Saturday Vigil</b>	6.30pm	
<b>Sunday Masses</b>	10am & 12pm	
<b>Holy Days</b>	Morning: 10.30am	<b>St. Colman's Church</b>
<b>Confessions</b>	Saturday: 5.45-6.15pm	
<b>Baptisms</b>	1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday of each month - 2 months' notice is required	
<b>Marriages</b>	3 months' notice required – six months' notice preferred	

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**Parish Office Hours: 9am-12pm Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday**

**24th February 2019**

**Seventh Sunday of the Year**

‘Treat others (even your enemies) as you would like them to treat you.’ These words are taken from today’s Gospel. We know exactly how we would like others to treat us: but how many of us could say that we treat others that way?

Let us think about people we do not love as we should.

**Masses this week:** Tues 9:30am, Wed 9:30am, Fri 9:30am. Thursday St Patrick's 7.00pm.

**Adoration of the Blessed Eucharist:** Wednesdays & Friday 10:00am – 9:00pm

**Parish Collections last week:**

**Weekly offering £1197.00**

**Sick & Retired Priests £637.00**

**Second Collection**

**Parish Centre Maintenance**

*Sincere thanks for your generosity.*

*This week counters: Team 3*



***Rest in Peace***

We pray for all recently deceased,

We pray for those whose anniversaries are at this time.

**Catherine Largan, Tom Largan, Joan Coggan (6:30pm)**

**Isabella Hillman (12:00) Dominic Kerr, Sadie Kerr, Terence & Brigid Doran, Mary Carr, Mary Josephine Falvey, Evelyn Nulty, Gerard Phillips**

**Parish Bethany Support Group** Our aim is to provide support to the bereaved and those suffering loss, of any kind. Parishioners are welcome to meet members of the Bethany Group in the lounge of the Parish Centre on the last Thursday of each month 7:00 -8:00pm. Home visits can also be arranged. Contact 07555194939.

**Church Of The Nativity:** Insertion for Bulletin Catholic Guides of Ireland (CGI) Church of the Nativity Unit is urgently looking for volunteers to assist at their weekly Unit meetings which take place at Good Shepherd Primary School on Monday evenings. No Guiding experience is needed. If you are able to give 2 hours of your time a week and would like to find out more please contact: Laura by email at [mcgurklaura@hotmail.com](mailto:mcgurklaura@hotmail.com)

**Pastoral Area of Derriaghy and Colin Derriaghy Colin Pastoral Community**

***“They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer.” Acts of the Apostles 2:42*** This how our church started when there were few apostles and members, yet from humble beginnings the Church grew, spread across the nations, and demonstrated a persistent vitality. Here in Ireland - the Church expanded for

centuries and for the many reasons you will be aware of –in more recent times, the numbers attending Masses and the sacraments has decreased. However, we are blessed to have a great family of faith here in this parish!

We are living in a time of increasing pressure in relation to a shortage of priests, and this is particularly acute when it comes to being able to cover each other in the case of emergencies and sickness. It is inevitable that there will have to be changes in how clergy provide services across not only our own parish but also neighbouring parishes. This is happening by every Pastoral Community in the Diocese. We have completed research:- there was a census of Mass attendance at all our Masses, in each parish of the pastoral community, across three successive Sundays last May and November, to help inform us regarding Mass provision for the future. The findings have helped us draw up a plan for the future.

We are at a stage now that in our Pastoral Community which takes in six neighbouring parishes, that we feel we have no option but to reduce the overall number of Masses in the immediate future. None of us likes change, and I know you may be worried about what these changes will mean. All of us tend to think about how change affects us personally - we have traditions - however while this is a challenge it offers opportunities.

We hope these changes will lead to greater collaboration, sharing of resources and co-operation amongst our family of parishes

At recent meetings, comprising of priests, deacons and laity, discussion has taken place in relation to reducing the number of Masses at the weekend, as well as staggering our Mass times across the whole Pastoral Community, to avoid duplication and offer a variety of Mass times. These changes will also free up a celebrant to be able to travel across the Pastoral Community if the need arises. Over the next few weeks we will be outlining the proposed changes in more detail with the pastoral councils and yourselves. Once all the information is available, we will explore opportunities to discuss and explain the changes with members of the pastoral council, pastoral community forum representatives and with parishioners. Thank you sincerely for your support

and generosity of spirit as we face together the challenges of the future. We are all called to work together for the greater good and the glory of God. **Fr Paul.**

**Nurses!** The Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes is currently seeking volunteers to join our nursing team to care for our pilgrims who will stay at the Accueil Notre Dame, during our 2019 Pilgrimage (10-15 July.) You will need to be a registered nurse, active on the NMC live register - newly registered nurses are welcome. For more information or to register your interest please email us with your contact details to [lourdes@downandconnor.org](mailto:lourdes@downandconnor.org) and we will get back to you.

**Clonard School of Prayer** The Clonard School of Prayer is a new programme on prayer at Clonard. It is open to those who want to deepen their experience of prayer, and explore prayer, alongside others, over a twenty week period. With the help of guest speakers, we'll learn about and practise a different type of prayer each evening. The school begins on Tuesday Jan 15 and runs for 20 consecutive Tuesday evenings, 7.15-8.30pm, until our graduation evening on May 28th. To join the programme, we ask you to: 1. commit to participating in the 20 evenings (it is not a programme that you can dip in and out of) and 2. Register with Clonard Reception for a place (places are limited). Register in person, or phone 02890 445950, or email [reception@clonard.com](mailto:reception@clonard.com). The schedule of topics and further programme information are available to collect from Clonard Reception. Any queries, please email Fodhla at [pastoraloffice@clonard.com](mailto:pastoraloffice@clonard.com) or phone on 07789 515857 (leave a message)

**Fatima and Lisbon Pilgrimage** ex Dublin (last remaining seats) for Feast Day of Saint Anthony 9<sup>th</sup>/14<sup>th</sup> June 2019. Full Board €675 pps Single supplement €32

**Medjugorje Pilgrimage for the Youth Festival** at August Bank Holiday Weekend 2019 one of the biggest events of the year in Medjugorje. ex Dublin costs €725 pps for 7 nights. Payment can also be made in instalments. Contact [James Treacy](mailto:James.Treacy@diocese.ie) on 061921470 or 0860572216

**Oasis Day of Prayer and Reflection for Married Couples** 'As we journey on from the World Meeting of Families, Glenavy and Killead Parish is offering an

***Oasis Day of Prayer and Reflection for Married Couples***, on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2019, 10.00am – 3.00pm in St. Clare's Community Hall, 55 Chapel Lane, Glenavy, Crumlin. This is an opportunity for married couples to take some time out, in the company of other couples, to reflect on their marriage in a relaxed and prayerful atmosphere. For more information, contact Accord NI Catholic Marriage Care Service on 02890 233002.

**Overseas Volunteering Training Course - Open To All!** This enjoyable course, run over 4 weekends from February to May, is for anybody who is interested in overseas or home volunteering at some stage or who just wants to learn more about global injustice issues and how we fit in. Training covers Community Development, Health, Global Awareness, Mission, etc. and begins on 9-10 February 2019 in Dublin. Contact Viatores Christi +353-1-8689986 or email [apply@viatoreschristi.com](mailto:apply@viatoreschristi.com) for more info.

**Earth Day 2019** will be celebrated on **Monday April 22**.

**Parkinson's' UK** currently have a variety of volunteer roles on offer. We have roles that require just a couple of hours of your time per month, home based roles and roles where you can help decide priorities within your local area. So, whether you thrive in a group environment or enjoy making strategic decisions in a small team, please call Emma McKeown on 0797 686 6649 for a no obligation chat to kick start your volunteering journey or email [emckeown@parkinsons.org.uk](mailto:emckeown@parkinsons.org.uk). I look forward to hearing from you. Thanks.

**30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary 'Homegrown' Concert celebrating the work of TinyLife, the premature baby charity.** Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March 2019 at 8 pm in Clonard Monastery, Belfast. Artists include the cream of Northern Ireland talent: **The Priests, Karl McGuckin, Malachi Cush, Andrea Begley, Eimear McGeown, Niamh Perry, St Dominics Grammar School Choir & Special Guest Phil Coulter** Tickets £20 available from Clonard office, TinyLife office (Bloomfield Avenue) tel: 02890 815050 or online [www.buytickets.at/tinylife](http://www.buytickets.at/tinylife)

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**Anam Cara Armagh** the organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding a Bereavement Information Evening on Wednesday 27th February at 7:20pm in the Armagh City Hotel, Armagh, BT60 4FR. This is a free event and open to all bereaved parents. As Anam Cara will need to confirm numbers for teas, coffees, etc, please RSVP to [info@anamcara.ie](mailto:info@anamcara.ie) before Tuesday 26th February or call 02895213120

**Oberammergau Passion Play** fully escorted tour ex Dublin 22<sup>nd</sup> August 2020 - 7 days (play performed only every 10 years) Visiting Innsbruck Salzburg and Lake Constance Price includes daily tours, tickets for the Passion Play and dinner/bed and breakfast at the hotels £2049pp twin sharing (single room supplement £295) Limited availability. Deposit £200pp Contact Marie or Paul, Downe Travel -tel. 02844 613288 or email [marie@downetravel.co.uk](mailto:marie@downetravel.co.uk)

**Christmas Pilgrimage Group to the Holy Land. Ex Dublin 19<sup>h</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup> December**  
**Also Holy Land 31<sup>st</sup> October– 8<sup>th</sup> November 2019** Taking in Bethlehem, Jerusalem (Mount of Olives, Garden of Gethsemane, Last Supper Room and Calvary), Mount Tabor, Cana, Nazareth, Jericho, River Jordan, Dead Sea and Sea of Galilee. **Also Medjugorje Pilgrimage for Youth Festival 2019** August Bank

**Feast Days This Week:**

Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> February St. Peter Damian

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> February Chair of St. Peter Apostle