



PARISH

of Aghagallon & Ballinderry

The Parish Office will be closed next Thursday and Friday due to staff training.

Confirmations: St Patrick's Church, 13th March at 4pm

ARRANGEMENTS FOR WEDDINGS

Planning a wedding is a lovely time and we in the parish want to support you. Sometimes, the legal requirements, planning the Service and Church etiquette can move to the background in the middle of all the busyness and excitement!

Paperwork

It is the couple's responsibility to ensure that both the Church and Civil requirements are fulfilled prior to getting married. The parish requires six months notice of intention to marry but it is common practice to book several years in advance.

Pre-Marriage Courses

A marriage preparation course provides the couple with some (short) "time out" during their busy wedding preparations. It is an opportunity to focus and reflect on their relationship. Couples **must** attend a course prior to the wedding. Historically, some couples in Aghagallon booked a course and did not attend, or requested a visiting priest to preside at their wedding who did not then insist on following Diocesan procedures. From March 2017, pre-nuptial enquiry forms and notice of marriage forms will only be completed *after* couples attend a pre-marriage course and furnish the parish with a copy of their certificate of attendance.

Wedding Mass or Wedding Service?

Celebrating the Sacrament of Marriage does not require the celebration of Mass. In a "mixed" marriage, or when a large number of guests are non-Catholic/non-practicing or when a couple themselves are not regularly attending Mass, a Marriage Service is now recommended by the Diocese. If non-practicing couples wish to have a Wedding Mass, the period of notice of marriage is an opportunity to begin attending Church regularly again.

GIFT 1 Celebration Night at Lisburn Bowl – Everyone enjoyed getting out their competitive streak! Well done to James, who was the overall winner of the night. Thank you to all the volunteers who helped during our GIFT 1 sessions.

WEEKLY BULLETIN

5th March 2017

Weekly Collection

£ 1,247.74

Thank-you for supporting our Parish!

Recent Expenditure
£499 for Cathedratica

Weekly Mass Schedule

Monday: 10.00am

Tuesday: 7.00pm

Wednesday: 10.00am

Thursday: 7.00pm

(Novena Prayers)

Friday: 10.00am

(First Friday 7pm)

Saturday: 7.00pm

(Vigil)

Sunday: 9.00am &

11.00am

Confessions

Thursday 6:30pm

Saturday: 6:30pm

MINISTRY OF WELCOME

To Book a Baptism: a parent must bring the long birth certificate to the Sacristy after any Mass. One month's notice is required. Schedule: 1st & 3rd Sunday of each month.

Weddings: All couples must contact Fr Declan after any Mass six months before the date of their wedding to arrange to complete the necessary paperwork. Couples are also required to attend a pre-marriage course.

RECENTLY DECEASED

Colm Toman

Teresa McCluskey

Hugh Pat Mulholland

Month's Mind Sunday 5th March at 9am

ANNIVERSARIES AT THIS TIME

Mary McHenry

Theresa McKillop

Paul Curran (27)

Josie McEvoy

Seamus McCavigan (25)

Kathleen Lavery (6)

Madge Tallon (2)

George Fegan

Kathleen Fegan

Fr Willie Lavery (6)

Felix Connolly

Anniversary Mass Saturday 4th March at 7pm

Anniversary Mass Sunday 5th March at 11am

Anniversary Mass Tuesday, 7th March at 7pm

Anniversary Mass Wednesday 8th March at 10am

Anniversary Mass Thursday, 9th March at 7pm

Anniversary Mass Saturday 11th March at 7pm

Anniversary Mass Sunday 12th March at 11am

Desmond McVeigh (2)

Margaret Harvey

Bernadette McCartan (21)

Trócaire Boxes are now available in the porch.

Jiving Classes – Due to unforeseen circumstances, the Jiving Classes in the Cranagh Hall have been postponed – starting Tuesday 14th March 8pm-9pm. For further information contact 07712 664 665.

Adoration Convent - First Communion and Confirmation gifts are now available in our new convent shop. We also carry a range of rosaries, prayer cards, and Catholic books. Adoration Convent, 63 Falls Road, Belfast. Open Monday to Friday 9am to 5pm (except 1-2pm).

Altar Servers Day – We had great fun last Saturday at the cinema and the restaurant afterward! Everyone had a good time!

Parish GIFT 3 Programme 2017: We will be running the GIFT 3 programme in our Parish for young people who are currently in Year 10. If you would like to take part and you did not receive an application form in the post, please come along with a parent to the first session and complete the application form. To offset some of the costs, we would appreciate a voluntary donation of £10.

Session 1: Monday 6th March 7pm-9pm

Session 2: Monday 13th March 7pm-9pm

Session 3: Monday 20th March 7pm-9pm

GIFT 3 Retreat: Saturday 25th March 2017 (TBC)

All insertions for the bulletin please leave in the Parochial house red post box, phone 02892651214 during Parish Office hours or email before 4pm on Tuesday
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