



PARISH

of Aghagallon & Ballinderry

Flower Arranging Demonstration by Aine McGuinness **today**, Sunday 20th May 2018 at 3pm in Aghagallon Community Centre. Some tickets are still available (£10). All proceeds from the flower arranging demonstration will go towards the GIFT 4 young people pilgrimage to Rome. This is the final fundraising event for GIFT and we thank you for your generous support.

Corpus Christi: We would like to invite all those children who made their First Holy Communion this year, in the Parish or outside of the Parish, to 11am Mass on Sunday 3rd June 2018, in their First Communion dresses or suits. During this Mass, Fr Declan will ask the children to join him on the Altar to pray the Our Father together. At the end of Mass they will all process out together.

Day of Reflection: Wonder and Gratitude: Our Relationship with Nature and the World we inhabit

Saturday 2nd June, 10:30am to 4pm, Community Centre, Aghagallon.

We are pleased to welcome Mary Angela Dunne from Dublin in our Parish who invites us to explore with her the close relationship between ourselves and the animal and floral world that we inhabit. Angela's work is strongly linked to Pope Francis' 2nd encyclical *Laudato Si'* (Praise be to you), which is subtitled "*On Care For Our Common Home.*" In *Laudato Si'*, Pope Francis laments the widespread environmental degradation and calls all people of the world to take "*swift and unified global action.*" Angela will share some of the insights she has gained through her own research as well as her membership of her local "Care for the Earth" group. Angela does not claim to be someone of any special expertise, but she has become passionate about the environment and our need to understand our world and the wonder of the creation we inhabit.

Take a day out from the general hustle and bustle of every-day's life and join us for this day of reflection, which will remind us of how important our environment is, from the sun to hidden heroes in the oceans and the soil, and the responsibility we have to care for our world. To reserve a place for this free event, please contact the parish office on 028 9265 1214.

WEEKLY BULLETIN

20th May 2018

Weekly Collection:

£ 1,965.96

(this includes envelopes left at Lurgan Parish)

Education of Diocesan Students:

£ 680.70

Recent Expenditure: Photocopying / Printing (April) £ 104

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

(Vigi)

Sunday: 9.00am &

11.00am

Confessions

Thursday 6:30pm

Saturday: 6:30pm

MINISTRY OF WELCOME

Baptism: Schedule: 1st & 3rd Sunday of each month. To book a baptism, a parent must bring the long birth certificate to the Sacristy after any Mass. One month's notice is required during which families attend the 11am Sunday Family Mass. If families are unable to attend, the baptism will be rebooked.

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. A Wedding Mass is offered to those who attend Church regularly. Wedding Mass is offered to those who attend Church regularly.

RECENTLY DECEASED

Eilish McGrath

Freda Mulholland

Leonard McGrath

John McStravick

ANNIVERSARIES AT THIS TIME

Jack Hamill

Jerome McIntyre

Sarah Lavery

Seamus Tallon

Rosena Walsh

Bridie O'Dowd (12)

William J. Lavery

Anniversary Mass Saturday 19th May at 7pm

Anniversary Mass Sunday 20th May at 11am

Anniversary Mass Tuesday 22nd May at 7pm

LEPRA: Sabina will be updating us this weekend on the work Lepra do to cure people of leprosy. Any donations given at the door will be used to cure people of this disabling and stigmatising disease.

Clonard Solemn Novena: We will be running a bus from the Parish on Monday 18th June 2018 leaving Aghagallon at 6pm. £5 per seat. If you are interested can you contact the office by email parishofaandb@yahoo.com or phone 028 92651 214 before Friday 1st June 2018.

Dromantine Family Fun Day, Newry. We considering to run a bus to the Family Fun Day this year in Dromantine Retreat and Conference Centre on Sunday 10th June 2018. We would be leaving Aghagallon at 1 pm and returning, weather depending, approx 7pm. There would be a charge of £10 per family. This includes the bus and entry into Dromantine, it does not include food and the charge for any of the activities. There will be a BBQ, amusements, bouncy castles, live music, etc. If you are interested, please contact the office 028 9265 1214 or email parishofaandb@yahoo.com (we will not book the bus until

we find out if anyone is interested).

The Down and Connor Annual Pilgrimage to Knock, led by Bishop Treanor, will take place on Sunday 10th June 2018. We encourage parishioners who usually visit Knock annually as a family or individuals to consider making their visit on this day. If you would be interested please contact the office 02892651214 or email parishofaandb@yahoo.com. (we will not book the bus until we find out if anyone is interested).

Eucharistic Ministers & Readers: New Rotas are now available in the Sacristy and on the parish website.

Parish Priest:

Fr Declan Mulligan

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Priest in Residence

Fr J O'Sullivan

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EMERGENCIES AND SICK CALLS:

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