



St Patrick's Carol Service: Sunday 16th December at 6pm.

Come along and sing some of your favourite Christmas Carols together with our choirs, musicians, primary schools, preschools and groups. The South Ulster Band will lead us throughout the service. Come along, bring all your family. Join us afterwards in the Community Centre for some festive treats.

A selection of Christmas Cards is now available to purchase in the porch. Please leave the money in the wall box beside the notice board.

November Mass Leaf Symbols from the Tree are available for collection beside Our Lady's Shrine.

**Altar Servers Club** – We welcome all of our altar servers to 11am Mass this Sunday. Afterwards, we will be joining the altar servers from Glenavy and Killead Parish for our Christmas day out.

The Order of the Knights of St. Columbanus will visit our parish this weekend, 8th and 9th December. They are a group of Catholic laymen who seek to support our clergy and promote our faith in all areas of life. They wish to inform us about The Order of the Knights of St Colmbanus' good works.

**Sleeping Bag Appeal:** At the request of parishioners, we are collecting sleeping bags for the Capuchin Day Centre for Homeless People in Dublin. If you want to donate a sleeping bag, please leave it in the church porch no later than Sunday 16th December.

**GIFT 4:** The young people from GIFT 4 will be singing Christmas Carols in Tesco, Crumlin, on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> December at 7pm. Come along and join in! Bring your Santa hat. Money raised will go towards the GIFT 4 Pilgrimage to Rome next Summer.

**The Live Crib:** Visit the live Christmas Crib at St Mary's Grotto, Belfast, opening Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> December 2018 until Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2019. Carol singers daily at 2pm and 5pm. Proceeds to the Mill Hill Missionaries working in Sudan.

**St Vincent de Paul Giving Tree** in church porch, please take a label and return the item to church. Annual door collection weekend 15th/16<sup>th</sup> December.

# WEEKLY BULLETIN

9th December 2018 2nd Sunday of Advent

Weekly Collection: £, 1,226.35

Monthly Stipend

Recent Expenditure: Missalettes & Nativity Books £ 247.20

Thank you for supporting our Parish!

## WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE

Monday: 10.00am Tuesday: 7.00pm

Wednesday: 10.00am

Thursday: 7.00pm

(Novena Prayers)

Friday: 7.00pm Saturday: 7.00pm

(Vigil)

Sunday: 9.00am & 11.00am

### **CONFESSIONS**

Thursday before Mass Saturday: 12noon

#### MINISTRY OF WELCOME

### We welcome into our Parish Family: Niall Brendan and Eve Elizabeth

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.

#### RECENTLY DECEASED

John Cromie Jeremiah Bernard Sheehan Fr Christopher Nellis Joan Campfield

John Gantley Eileen Hamill Patsy Toman

Harry Murray

Month's Mind Saturday 15th December at 7pm

Anniversary Mass Saturday 8th December at 7pm

Anniversary Mass Monday 10th December at 10am

Anniversary Mass Wednesday 12th December at 10am

Anniversary Mass Sunday 9th December at 9am

#### **ANNIVERSARIES AT THIS TIME**

Betty Carson

Decreased Members of the McStay Family

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Seamus Mulholland Bridie Lavery (2)

Fr Oliver McStravick (15)

Jane McStravick

James Mulholland (2)

Patrick McStravick

Annie Mulholland (11) Patrick Joseph Patterson (29)

Maurice Scullion Peter Mallon

Brendan McMullan

Christmas in Company: If you live alone and don't want to be on your own, come join us for a sponsored Christmas dinner, chat and a bit of banter. 25th December 1pm to 4pm, Bowling Pavilion, Lurgan Park. Please telephone 07540 118 905 to confirm your seat.

**Decorate your own Christmas Cake:** Sunday 9th December at 5.30pm, Aghagallon Community Centre. Ice your own cake with help, advice and ideas... limited places, to secure your place and for further information, contact Ciara on 07780 954 731.

Exercise to Music: Tuesdays 7-8pm Aghagallon community centre. Next block of 10 weeks to start on 11th December 2018. Register on the night, bring a mat and bottle of water. For further information contact Ciara on 07780 954 731.

St Ronan's College Open Night: Parent/Guardian and P7 pupils, you are cordially invited to attend Open Night in St. Ronan's College, Junior Site, Waring Street, Lurgan, on Wednesday 12th December 2018. Principal's Address at 5.00 pm and 7.30 pm. Please note all primary schools have been allocated sessions.

St Patrick's Academy Open Night: Thursday 10th January 2019, Ballinderry Road, Lisburn. Principal's address 7:30pm.

Parish Priest: Fr Declan Mulligan Tel: 028 9265 1214

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