



# PARISH

of Aghagallon & Ballinderry

*Fr Declan will visit the sick and housebound this week.*

*There will be a second collection after Communion next week for the Support of the Priests.*

**Parish Celebration and Blessing of Youth *this Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> January at the 11am Mass:*** Today, we welcome the young people from our groups: GIFT, Children's Liturgy, Altar Servers, JPPII as well as Seven Derry's Youth Club and St Mary's GAC. The Mass will celebrate all that is unique, gifted and good about our young people and will conclude with a special blessing for their health, safety and wellbeing.

**Catholic Schools Week 2019** will run from 27th January to 3rd February 2019. The theme for Catholic Schools Week this year is: *Celebrating the Work of Our Local Catholic Schools.* Let us thank all those who teach in Catholic schools. "Educating is an act of love; it is like giving life." Pope Francis

**Service of Light for Primary 7 St Mary's and St Patrick's:** Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> January 2019 at pm. Parishioners are welcome celebrate with us.

**St Brigid's Day:** Friday 1<sup>st</sup> February. Mass at 7pm. This is the Feast of St. Brigid, Abbess and Secondary Patron of Ireland. St. Brigid's crosses will be blessed at the 7pm Mass.

**The Presentation of the Lord, Candlemas:** Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2018, 7pm. This is a traditional festival that commemorates the ritual purification of Mary forty days after the birth of her son Jesus. On this day, we remember the presentation of Jesus Christ in the temple. Forty days after the birth of a Jewish boy, it was custom to take him to the temple in Jerusalem to be presented to God by his thankful parents. During 7pm Mass candles will be blessed for you to take home. "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows Me will never walk in the darkness, but will have the light of life." If you would like to give a donation for the cost of the church candles throughout the year please use the wooden donation box in the porch.

**GIFT 2:** Session 1 – Welcome Back and Games – Monday 28<sup>th</sup> January, 7:15pm-9pm in the Community Centre. If you have not received an application form in the post and would like your child (Year 9) to take part in the programme, come along on Monday night. Application forms are available on the night or in the Church porch. Please read the code of conduct and complete the Parental Consent Form attached and bring with you on the first night. It is essential that the young people commit to all sessions.

## WEEKLY BULLETIN

27<sup>th</sup> January 2019

Weekly Collection:  
£ 1,384.04

Living Youth  
Collection:  
£570.00

Recent Expenditure:  
Altar Breads  
£112.40

Thank you for  
supporting our Parish!

## 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

We welcome into our Parish Family: **Aoibhin Mary Ann, Jack Dylan**

**Baptism:** Schedule: 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> 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

Mary Goodall  
Louis Brankin  
Grace Bowman  
Mary Sloan  
Joe Haughian

## ANNIVERSARIES AT THIS TIME

Paul Magee Anniversary Mass Monday 28<sup>th</sup> January at 10am  
Celine McKavanagh Anniversary Mass Friday 1<sup>st</sup> February at 7pm  
Malachy Nelson Anniversary Mass Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> February at 11am  
Sarah McGarrell

James McGarrell Patrick Tallon Gerry Mallon (11)  
Elizabeth McPhillips Mother Brendan Tallon Jim Mallon (13)  
Mary Sinton Jane Anna Tallon  
Bernadette Kelly (6) Mary Kenny  
Rosetta McCartan (6)

**Missionaries of Charity, Romania:** We have received a generous donation to our Romania Fund. It is much appreciated. Many thanks to everyone for their ongoing support.

**Bike Aid Africa:** Many thanks for everyone who donated their bicycle. We have collected over 50 bikes, which will be shipped to Africa this week.

**JPPII Award:** The next meeting of the JPPII Group will be held in the Conference Room on Monday 28<sup>th</sup> January at 7:30pm. Remember to bring your Award cards to be signed. "It is Jesus who stirs in you the desire to do something great with your lives, the will to follow an ideal, the refusal to allow yourselves to be ground down by mediocrity, the courage to commit yourselves humbly and patiently to improving yourselves and society, making the world more human and more fraternal." *St John Paul II*

**Safeguarding Children Training** for our parish and Glenavy and Killead has been arranged for **Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> February 2019** at 7pm in the Annex at St Joseph's, Glenavy. The training will last for 90 minutes. All volunteers in our parish who have been vetted and are working with children, i.e. children's liturgy leaders, G.I.F.T volunteers should attend this training. If you are able to attend please put your name on the sheet in the sacristy or email the parish office.

It is compulsory that you complete this training. Information is available in the sacristy or on the Safeguarding Office Website [www.downandconnorsafeguarding.com/training/](http://www.downandconnorsafeguarding.com/training/).

All insertions for the bulletin please leave in the Parochial house red post box, phone 028 9265 1214 during Parish Office hours or email before 4pm on Tuesday e: parishofaandb@yahoo.co.uk w: aghagallonandballinderryparish.ie

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