



# PARISH

of Aghagallon & Ballinderry

**St. Patrick's Church is open!** Currently, there is no obligation to attend Mass on Sundays or Holy Days and people who have been asked to shield by their doctor are advised not to visit the Church.

**Face Coverings** We encourage parishioners to wear a mask/ face covering while in the Church.

Ushers will welcome, advise and reassure everyone re Health and Safety procedures. Please do not enter the Church if you are feeling unwell. The Church remains open between 9am-6pm each day for Private/Personal Prayer.

Please ensure that all health and safety advice is followed and avoid touching surfaces and products, unless absolutely necessary. The doors/windows are open to ensure the Church is well ventilated and that visitors do not have to touch door handles, etc. Toilet facilities will be open during Mass times.

We regret that the sacristy will remain closed.

**Daily and Sunday Mass:** There will be a variable capacity, depending on how many parishioners attend as individuals or as families/households. To ensure there is adequate time for cleaning, we ask you not to arrive at the Church more than 30 minutes prior to Mass beginning and to leave promptly when Mass ends. Please sanitise your hands as you enter and leave the Church and before and after using the Shrines. Always maintain a distance of at least two metres between you and people who are not part of your household. We will be using every third pew for seating, which can accommodate two people with a 2 metre distance, or a full household, who are not required to socially distance. We will have 23 pews available and when we reach our capacity (46 – 140 variable); we are required to close the Church. Please take leaflets/bulletins home with you. Holy Communion will be received from the pews for the time being as we cannot meet the 2m requirement if people were processing down the side aisle. From this weekend, we will no longer be broadcasting Mass via the outdoor speakers in the car park.

**Funerals:** Funeral Services and Requiem Mass in the presence of up to 50 people, whilst observing social distancing regulations, is now permitted. Funerals will continue to be streamed for others to watch at home. Prayers at the graveside are restricted to a maximum of 30 people. Please follow social distancing advice.

**Weddings:** Weddings are now permitted in the Church – email the parish for more details if you rebooked your wedding and now wish to bring the date forward.

**Baptisms:** Baptisms are now permitted within strict guidelines. Please email the office for a booking form and more details. Baptisms booked prior to March will take precedence.

**Anniversaries:** Anniversary/Special Intention Masses and Sanctuary Lamp Intentions will continue to be offered. These can be requested via telephone or email. We will try to accommodate specific dates requested.

**Adoration:** We will continue to have Adoration from 10.30am-6pm on Wednesdays. We would appreciate it if previous adorers who are not shielding follow their normal schedule and invite others to attend at any time. We will not be using the signing in book. Please do not enter the Sanctuary area.

**WEEKLY BULLETIN**  
16<sup>th</sup> August 2020  
20<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary  
Time

Weekly Collection: £2771.00

Recent Expenditure:  
Liturgical Goods £1332.96

This week's Sanctuary  
Lamp will burn for:  
AB

## 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  
CONFESIONS  
Thursday before Mass  
Saturday before Mass

## MINISTRY OF WELCOME

We welcome Hayden & Cara who were both baptised this week, into our parish family!

**Baptism:** Baptisms are now permitted within strict guidelines. Please email the office for a booking form and more details. Currently, Baptisms will take place on Tuesday and Thursday evenings or Saturday and Sunday at afternoons. Baptisms booked prior to March will take precedence.

**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 only offered to those who attend Church regularly.

## RECENTLY DECEASED

Tommy Corey  
Kathleen Magee (Months Mind Mass on Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> August at 7pm)  
Joseph Crawford  
Sadie McAlinden

## ANNIVERSARIES AT THIS TIME

Margaret Doris (Anniversary Mass on Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> August at 9am)  
Deceased Members of the Creaney Family (Anniversary Mass on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> August at 7pm)  
James McAlinden (Anniversary Mass on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> August at 10am)  
Pat Loughan(3) Kathleen O'Neill(50) Gerald Campbell  
Maurice Campbell Johnny Park

## First Communion Class of 2020.

First Communion Preparation - We are asking parents for their support for the preparation of your child's first Holy Communion in September. If your child is making their First Communion this year in our parish we are asking you to collect your pack from the parish office on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> August or Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> August between 10am-4pm. To prepare your child for this sacrament it is important that you collect this pack and complete the tasks. In addition please bring your child to AT LEAST one Sunday Mass in the church during August.

## Planned dates for First Communion:

St Mary's Primary School – Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> September at 11am.  
St Patrick's Primary School - Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> September at 11am.

**These dates may be subject to change depending on COVID circumstances.**

**Grave clear** grave cleaning and maintenance services. Decorative stones cleaned, headstone restoration, headstone cleaned, surround restoration, etc. Phone 07708183451. [www.graveclear.com](http://www.graveclear.com).

**Lost Property** Man's watch has been found in Parknasilla Way. Text or phone 07554265963.

**The Parish Office** has officially reopened. Interim opening hours are Tuesday-Thursday 10am-4pm.

*'Today the virgin Mother of God was taken up into heaven to be the beginning and the pattern of the Church in its perfection, and a sign of hope and comfort for your people on their way.'*

*You would not allow decay to touch her body, for she had given birth to your Son, the Lord of all life, in the glory of the incarnation.'*



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**EMERGENCIES AND  
SICK CALLS:**  
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St Vincent De Paul Contact  
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Lifeline Freephone  
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