

St. Patrick's Church is open! Currently, there is <u>no obligation to attend Mass on</u> <u>Sundays or Holy Days</u> and people who have been asked to shield by their doctor are advised not to visit the Church. 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 12pm-6pm each day for Private/Personal Prayer. We will maintain the restriction of a maximum of 10 people allowed in the Church at any given time, as many people returning to the Church may feel anxious about larger crowds. 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. We regret that the sacristy and toilet facilities 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 <u>50 people</u>, 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 <u>30 people</u>. 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 from10.30am-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 9<sup>th</sup> August 2020 19<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

Weekly Collection: £1718.00 Monthly Stipend: £698.00 Recent Expenditure: Shrine Candles £212.35

This week's Sanctuary Lamp will burn for: Special Intention

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 before Mass Saturday before Mass

## MINISTRY OF WELCOME

**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**

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Cassie Reynolds	
Fidelis Walsh	
ames McAlinden	
Betty McStravick	
Feresa Creaney	
Michael McKernan	
Margaret McNally	
Betty Hyndman(16)	

(Anniversary Mass on Saturday 8th August at 7pm)(Anniversary Mass on Monday10th August at 10am)(Anniversary Mass on Tuesday11th August at 7pm)(Anniversary Mass on Wednesday 12th August at 10am)(Anniversary Mass on Thursday13th August at 7pm)(Anniversary Mass on Thursday 13th August at 7pm)Michael MallonFrancis CushleyHarry McMullanBilly Savage(28)Mary Walker(12)Isa Mulholland(16)

**Pilgrimage to Knock.** Thanksgiving Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine, 31<sup>st</sup> August 2020. £499.00 per person sharing. Price includes return bus transfer to Knock, 3 nights' in 4 star Park Hotel with Full Board. All entertainment and excursions. Wheelchair accessible rooms. Single supplement £90.00. Contact Patricia on 01268 762 278 or 07740 175557 or email knockpilgrimages@gmail.com.

Help & Support Parishioners have donated money to support other members of their faith community. Should you need anything please contact Fr Declan on 02892 651214 or E: parishofaandb@yahoo.co.uk. All requests for assistance are strictly confidential.

The Parish Office will officially reopen on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> August. Interim opening hours are Tuesday-Thursday 10am-4pm. If you are visiting the office or parochial house you will notice that similar procedures are in place to those in the Church. This is to protect our staff and you, our parishioners. Most requests can now be managed easily via the reinstated 'hatch' in the porch. Anyone entering the office must sanitise their hands, complete a 'visitors' book in the event of tracing being required and stay in designated areas at all times.

Parish Radios. If you are using the Webcam and no longer require your parish radio, please return it to the office and we will forward it to someone who is housebound.

Knights of St Columbanus: Issue 1 of the newsletter is now available at the back of the Church, please take one.

Parish Priest: Fr Declan Mulligan Tel: 028 9265 1214 EMERGENCIES AND SICK CALLS: 07831 934 756 028944595600

St Vincent De Paul Contact Number: 07810 036 763 07745 785 181 Lifeline Freephone 0808 808 8000 Diocesan Safeguarding Office 028 9049 2798 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