



PARISH

of Aghagallon & Ballinderry

Daily and Sunday Mass: Currently, there is no obligation to attend Mass on Sundays or Holy Days. Please do not enter the Church if you are feeling unwell. The Church will remain open between 9am-6pm each day for Private/Personal Prayer. Thank-you for wearing face coverings at all times on Church grounds and within St Patrick's Church. We regret that the sacristy remains closed and bathroom facilities are only available during Mass times. 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.

Funerals: The number permitted to attend funerals will be determined following individual risk assessments which will establish variable capacity, with no pre or post funeral gatherings on Church grounds. While in the Church, everyone must be seated individually, with family or with others who are part of their bubble. Funerals will continue to be streamed for others to watch at home.

Anniversary/Special Intention Masses and Sanctuary Lamp Intentions. Please book via email or telephoning the office.

Parish Office: Office opening hours are Tuesday to Thursday, from 10am-4pm. Please note the emergency mobile is for emergencies only.

St Patrick's Confirmation: Congratulations to the P7 children who celebrated their Confirmation last Thursday afternoon.

First Holy Communion Due to restrictions this year St Patrick's and St Mary's primary schools will celebrate their First Holy Communion on different dates. **St Mary's** – Saturday 5th June 2021 at 11am and **St Patrick's** – Saturday 12th June 2021 at 11am. Fr Declan will offer a special Mass on Sunday 23rd June at 11am for the Primary 4 children who are preparing for their First Holy Communion, you are welcome to join us or watch via the webcam.

Prayer During Exam Time We remember all the young people in the parish who are completing their exams or preparing for exams.

God stay close to me today, guide my study and light my way.

Ease my nerves and comfort me, with peace and love so tenderly.

May I remember all the things I need and understand all I study and read.

May I strive to do my best and do myself justice in each test.

May the topics I know and like appear on the exam paper to lessen my fear.

And during the moments I may feel stressed I'll try to remember the ways I'm blessed. And if there are times that I feel at sea, help me to trust that you're here with me. Amen.

WEEKLY BULLETIN

16th May 2021

The Ascension of the Lord

Weekly Collection:
£1,126.00

Recent Expenditure:
Communion bread £300

Thank you for supporting
our parish

This week's Sanctuary Lamp
will burn for a 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

MINISTRY OF WELCOME

Congratulations to Niamh and Mark who recently celebrated their marriage.

Baptism: Baptisms are permitted within strict guidelines. Please email the office for a booking form and more details. Baptisms take place the 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month at 12 noon, with only one child/family per allocated Sunday.

Weddings: Weddings are permitted in the Church under strict guidelines. Following recent changes to the Health Protection Regulations the number permitted to attend weddings is to be determined following individual risk assessments. Whilst on church property attendees must follow guidance and adhere to policies and procedures put in place to ensure the safety of all. All couples must contact Fr Declan 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

Aideen Brady

Jim McKenna

ANNIVERSARIES AT THIS TIME:

John Hamill

Kathleen Loughran

Elizabeth (Lily) Toland

Eilish McGrath

Cecilia McCrory

Anne Loughran

Kevin Agnew

Sarah Lavery(7)

Jerome McIntyre

Eddie Barbar (22)

Teresa Mallon

William John Lavery

Anniversary Mass on Saturday 15th May at 7pm

Anniversary Mass on Sunday 16th May at 9am

Anniversary Mass on Sunday 16th May at 11am

Anniversary Mass on Monday 17th May at 10am

Anniversary Mass Tuesday 18th May at 7pm

Anniversary Mass on Thursday 20th May at 7pm

Anniversary Mass Friday 21st May at 10am

Anniversary Mass on Saturday 22nd May at 7pm

Anniversary Mass on Sunday 23rd May at 9am

Bridie O'Dowd(15)

James Campbell

The Second Collection this week is for the Education of Diocesan Students

In response to the Holy Father's heartfelt wish, the month of May will be dedicated to a "marathon" of prayer, to ask for the end of the pandemic, which has afflicted the world for more than a year now, and to ask for the resumption of social and work activities. Pope Francis wishes to involve all the Shrines around the world in this initiative, so that they may become vehicles of the prayer of the entire Church. The initiative is being conducted in the light of the biblical expression: "Prayer by the Church was fervently being made to God" (Acts 12:5). The official channels of the Holy See will broadcast the prayer said each day in each of these thirty Shrines at 6:00 p.m., according to time scheduled in Rome. See dates and daily prayer intentions in the church porch.

We invite you to light a candle in St Patrick's church during the month of May, if you would like a booklet they are available in the church porch to guide you through your own special prayer time with Mary.

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Parish Office open Tuesday – Thursday 10am-4pm.

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Parochial house red post box, email or phone the

parish office before 4pm on Tuesday.