



PARISH

of Aghagallon & Ballinderry



St Patrick's Carol Service

Sunday 18th December at 6pm.

Come along this evening and sing some of your favourite Christmas Carols together with our choirs, schools, and parish groups. The South Ulster Band will once again make our carol service extra special! Everyone Welcome.

Christmas Masses and Prayer around the Crib: We are not operating a booking system for Christmas Masses this year. The 7pm Christmas Eve Vigil Mass will include Children's Liturgy. People who are not able to attend Mass on Christmas Eve but still wish to come to the Church, are invited to visit the Crib and say a prayer any time after the 7pm Mass until 8.30pm. There will be special prayer cards for everyone, and a Eucharistic Minister will be available at the altar for anyone who wishes to receive Holy Communion. Our volunteers will be outside the Church to offer everyone a cup of hot chocolate or tea when they are leaving.

The Parish Office: Will be closed from Tuesday 27th December 2022 until Tuesday 10th January 2023. Please remember that the emergency mobile is for sick calls only.

Christmas Bulletin Notices: There will be no bulletin on Sunday 1st January and Sunday 8th January 2023. Please leave all bulletin notices into the Parish Office by Tuesday 20th December.

Parish Rota's: Available to view on the Parish website or alternatively, to collect from the sacristan.

Christmas Cards: Now available to purchase in the Church porch. Please leave the money in the wall box by the notice board. Thank you.

Thank you to everyone who joined us on Wednesday for tea and mince pies in the Village Café, it was a lovely festive morning, and the craic was great.

WEEKLY BULLETIN

Sunday 18th December 2022
4th SUNDAY OF
ADVENT

Weekly Collections:
£1115.50
Thank you for supporting
our Parish.

Recent Expenditure:
Liturgical Goods
£100.96

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

MINISTRY OF WELCOME

Baptisms: Please email the office for a booking form and more details. Baptisms take place the 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month directly after 11am Mass and on Thursday evenings at 6pm. At least one month's notice is required, during which parents meet with a member of our Baptismal Team and the family attends the 11am Sunday Mass weekly, prior to the Baptism. If families are unable to complete the preparation or attend Mass, the Baptism will be rebooked to a time when they can. A total of 20 people are permitted to attend.

Weddings: Wedding guests must continue to follow all guidance and adhere to policies and procedures put in place to ensure the safety of 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 Mass in their parish *weekly* during the six-month notice of marriage period.

RECENTLY DECEASED

Sean Johnston

Patricia (Patsy) Campbell

Months Mind Mass on Saturday 17th December at 7pm

ANNIVERSARIES AT THIS TIME

Betty Carson (30)

Jane McStravick

Dorothy Creaney

Rory Campbell

Martin Toye (1)

Hugh McCorry

Annie McDonald

Brother Thomas Lavery (3)

Ambrose O'Neill

Anniversary Mass on Sunday 18th December at 9am

Anniversary Mass on Monday 19th December at 10am

Anniversary Mass on Tuesday 20th December at 7pm

Anniversary Mass on Sunday 25th December at 11am

John McVeigh

Brendan McMullan

Sarah Mallon

Mary Ellen Grant

Harry McVeigh

Martin Campfield

Willie Lavery

Annie O'Neill

Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible: The bible is at the heart of our faith and relationship to God. Reading the bible should bring us closer to Christ, but many people find it hard to even begin.

Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible will commence on Tuesday 10th January 2023 @ 7pm in Tobar Mhuire Retreat and Conference Centre, Crossgar, Co Down. The retreat will run for 6 weeks in total and includes 8 sessions - 6 weekly and a retreat day on Saturday 25th February from 10am - 4pm which will incorporate 2 final sessions. Cost £30. Booking is advised as places are limited.

To register your place please contact The Living Church Office

T: 02890 690920 or alternatively E: livingchurch@downandconnor.org

Grave Leases: If you have made a payment for a pre-lease grave in our new cemetery and have not received a receipt, please contact the Parish office during office hours.

Important days this week

St Fachanan (Mem) - Tues 20th December

St Peter Canisius (Mem) - Wed 21st December

St John of Kanty (Mem) - Fri 23rd December

Parish Priest:

Fr Declan Mulligan

Tel: 028 9265 1214

EMERGENCIES AND SICK CALLS:

07831 934 756

028 944 595 600

St Vincent De Paul Contact

Number: 028 9035 1561

www.svp.ie

Lifeline Freephone 0808 808 8000

The Order of The Knights of

St Columbanus 028 92 528 916

Diocesan Safeguarding Office

028 9049 2798

Parish Office Tel: 02892651214

Email: parishofaandb@yahoo.co.uk

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

All insertions for the bulletin please leave in the Parochial house red post box, email or phone the parish office before 4pm on Tuesday.