



PARISH

of Aghagallon & Ballinderry

"He has risen, have faith in Him, and He will always be there for you"
Easter reminds us that hope, and faith are rewarded, that miracles happen, and that love is at the heart of everything good. Maybe more than anything Easter shows us how precious life is.

Fr Declan and the Parish Team would like to thank you for your prayers, help and generosity throughout the year. May you and all your loved ones have a Happy and Blessed Easter!

THANK YOU:

- to Aine, Rosemary and Sean and all the volunteers who helped to decorate the Church so beautifully for Easter.
- to the Altar servers for all their hard work during Holy Week.
- to the young people from the JPPII Award and to the leaders for all that they do in our parish.
- to the parish choirs, musicians, and to all of our volunteers.

Parish Office Easter Closure: The parish office will be closed for Easter from Tuesday 11th April to Tuesday 18th April. There will be no bulletin on Sunday 16th April.

Adoration: There will be no Adoration on Wednesday 12th April. Adoration will resume on Wednesday 19th April as usual.

Trocaire Raffle: Thank you to everyone who bought a raffle ticket for the Easter hamper; A total of £200 was raised for Trocaire. The winner will be drawn over the Easter weekend.

Trocaire Boxes: Can be left in the Church during Mass times on Easter Saturday and Easter Sunday and also on Saturday 15th and Sunday 16th April. Please put them in the big Trocaire box, which will be left at the front of the Church at weekend Masses.

Lough Derg 2023 Pilgrimage Season: Down and Connor, Living Church 3 day Pilgrimage led by Jim Deeds. Friday 30th June – Sunday 2nd July, cost £90 – includes island admission and return by luxury coach. Bus departs Glengall Street, Belfast at 9am and Lough Derg at 11am. For further information and bookings contact Claire on 028 90 690920 or E: livingchurch@downandconnor.org

Easter Holy Water will be blessed at the Easter Vigil, please take a bottle.

WEEKLY BULLETIN

Sunday 9th April 2023
 Easter Sunday

Weekly Collection:

£2035.83

Monthly Stipend:

£1040.00

Recent Expenditure:
Annual Pastoral Levy (1st Instalment) £3406.00

The Sanctuary Lamp will burn on week beginning 16th April for Evelyn Swail (RIP)

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

We welcome Daniel, who was Baptised recently into our parish family.

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.

NB: Parish Staff and volunteers are there to support and help us.

Please engage respectfully with them at all times.

RECENTLY DECEASED

Nora McHenry

Months Mind Mass on Sunday 30th April at 9am

Kathleen Lavery

Months Mind Mass on Sunday 16th April at 11am

Tommy Lavery

Tom French

Mary McStravick

Months Mind Mass Friday 14th April at 10am

Sheila Hannon

Months Mind Mass Saturday 15th April at 7pm

ANNIVERSARIES AT THIS TIME

Sean Lynch

Anniversary Mass on Sunday 9th April at 11am

Susan McConaghy (13)

Anniversary Mass on Monday 10th April at 10am

Eugene Nelson

Anniversary Mass on Tuesday 11th April at 7pm

Seamus McCavigan

Anniversary Mass on Thursday 13th April at 7pm

Tony King

Anniversary Mass on Tuesday 18th April at 7pm

Damian Toomey

Anniversary Mass on Thursday 20th April at 7pm

Anne McKernan

Anniversary Mass on Sunday 23rd April at 11am

Molly Cushley

Frances O'Neill Walker (7)

Seamus O'Neill (18)

Mary McKeown

James Kelly

John Nugent

Knock Pilgrimage 23rd April 2023: Down and Connor National Eucharistic Adoration Pilgrimage to Knock on **Sunday 23rd April** (2nd weekend after Easter) For full details visit <https://eucharisticadoration.ie/programme-for-knock-pilgrimage-2023/> For information on transport or find out if buses are going from your area, visit <https://eucharisticadoration.ie/buses-for-knock-in-june/> Alternatively why not organise your own bus?

The second collection this week is the Easter Offering for the Support of the Priests.

EMERGENCIES AND SICK CALLS:

07831 934 756

(in the event you are unable to reach Fr Declan on the emergency number)

028 944 595 600

Parish Priest:

Fr Declan Mulligan

Tel: 028 9265 1214

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.