



PARISH

of Aghagallon & Ballinderry

Aghagallon Community Centre Open Day: Aghagallon Community Centre has been “Here for You” nigh on 10 years. We invite you to attend our **Open Day on Saturday 26th August from 2pm – 4pm**. There will be an exhibition hall where you can see the range and variety of activities, we have to offer you and observe how the centre helps to support our local community. There will also be a range of interests for the children including party inflatables, ice-cream, activity fun bus, games, quizzes, a competition draw and much more. **All Free**. A fun event for all the family. Come and see. **Violin for Beginners:** Traditional violin lessons for beginners are due to commence in September. For further information contact Aaron on 07561 430428.

Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible: The bible is at the heart of our faith and our relationship with God. Reading the bible should bring us closer to Christ, but many people find it hard to know where to begin. Living Church Office is offering an 8-week online zoom programme commencing on Monday 18th September 2023. The course will offer guidance on how to read the bible, understand it and experience its life changing power. Course participants will receive a resource pack and gather online for a time of teaching, discussion, and prayerful reflection. The program will conclude with a retreat day on Saturday 18th November 2023 from 10am – 4pm in the Holy Rosary Parish Centre. For further information and bookings E: livingchurch@downandconnor.org or T: 02890 690920.

Popes Monthly Intentions for 2023: Each year, the Holy Father asks for our prayers for a specific intention each month. You are invited to answer the Holy Father’s request and to join with many people worldwide in praying for this intention each month. The Holy Father’s intention for the month of August is dedicated to World Youth Day. We pray that the World Youth Day in Lisbon has given young people guidance so that they may live and witness the gospel in their own lives.

Congratulations to all those who have received their exam results recently and good luck to all those who are waiting on their results. Best wishes for your future plans.

WEEKLY BULLETIN
 Sunday 20th August 2023
 20th Sunday in Ordinary
 Time
Weekly Collection:
 £1262.00
Online/Card Machine:
 11th August-17th August:
 £87.50
Recent Expenditure:
 Bi-Annual Water Charges
 Jan – July £84.43
*The Sanctuary Lamp will
 burn this week 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
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.

**NB: Parish Staff and volunteers are there to support and help us.
 Please engage respectfully with them at all times.**

RECENTLY DECEASED

Gerry McCullagh
 Bernie Gibson (Nee McGeown)
 John Murray
 Gemma McKenna
 Darren Crossey

ANNIVERSARIES AT THIS TIME

Tony McGibbon	Anniversary Mass on Saturday 19 th August at 7pm
Maura Mulholland	Anniversary Mass on Tuesday 22 nd August at 7pm
Maurice Lavery (1)	Anniversary Mass on Thursday 24 th August at 7pm
Seamus Walsh	Anniversary mass on Sunday 27 th August at 11am
Gerard Mulholland	Patrick Scullion (1)
Baby Aoibhean Mulholland	Cecelia Lavery
	Paddy McAlinden
	John Park

The Second Collection this week is for the Cathedral Fund

Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion: There will be no Mass on Monday 21st August. A Communion Service, led by lay people in the absence of a priest, will take place instead. The readings of the day will be reflected upon, and a Eucharistic Minister will distribute Holy Communion consecrated during a previous Mass.

Volunteers Needed: September is fast approaching, and we are making plans for the months ahead. We require volunteers for Childrens Liturgy at 11am Mass on Sundays and for our Growing in Faith Together Programme on Monday evenings for a 6-week period. If you are available and would like to help, contact Catherine in the Parish Office.

Important days this week

St Pius X (Mem) – Monday 21st August
 The Queenship of Mary (Mem) – Tuesday 22nd August
 St Rose of Lima (Mem) – Wednesday 23rd August
 St Bartholomew (Feast)– Thursday 24th August
 St Louis of France (Mem)- Friday 25th August

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.