

The Second Collection this week is the Monthly Stipend Aghagallon Instrumental Group: The group are recruiting and would love to welcome some new members to join them in playing at 11am Mass on Sunday's. All abilities are welcome. If you are interested text Louise on 07746 447945.

Violin for Beginners: Traditional violin lessons for beginners are due to commence in September. For further information contact Aaron on 07561 430428.

Lurgan Parish Cemetery Sunday: Sunday 13th August. Dougher Cemetery - 3pm, St.Colemans Cemetery - 5pm.

St Comgall's Pre-School Education Centre Job Vacancy: A vacancy has arisen for the position of Pre School-Leader in Charge. The post consists of 25 hours per week from Monday to Friday. Term time plus 1 week. Salary is payable on a 10/12 basis. Pay rate will be as per JNC scales point 17-21. The successful applicant will be required by 01/09/23 or as soon as possible thereafter. For more information or to apply E: bangor@downandconnor.org Closing date for completed applications is 12 noon on Friday 11th August 2023.

JBMS: John Bradburn Memorial Society was founded in 1995 to help support people living at Mutemwa Leprosy Care Centre in Zimbabwe. John dedicated his life to looking after people who were poor, needy, and suffering from leprosy. The society raises funds for the leprosy care centre. This August one of the society's members Gordon Calendar will be running the Co. Antrim Half Marathon to help raise money for the centre. All money raised will go directly towards housing, medication and food for the patients and their families. To support Gordon by making a donation phone 07979 187498 or visit http://www.justgiving.com/campaign/jbmsrace Important days this week

Ss Sixtus II & Companions (Mem) - Monday 7th August St Dominic (Mem) – Tuesday 8th August St Teresa Benedicta of the Cross (Feast) – Wednesday 9th August St Lawrence -(Feast)- Thursday 10th August St Clare – (Mem) – Friday 11th August St Jane Frances de Chantal (Mem)- Saturday 12th August

WEEKLY BULLETIN

Sunday 6th August 2023 The Transfiguration of the Lord

> **Weekly Collection:** *£*,1142.00

Online/Card Machine:

28th July-3rd August: £,362.16 Recent Expenditure: Annual Website Maintenance Fee's £,442.16

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

Fr Emmett Dagens Geraldine McAlinden Barbara Creevy

ANNIVERSARIES AT THIS TIME

Fidelis Walsh Anniversary Mass on Saturday 5th August at 7pm Michael McKernan Anniversary Mass on Sunday 6th August at 11am Teresa Creanev Anniversary Mass on Tuesday 8th August at 7pm Anniversary Mass on Thursday 10th August at 7pm Cassie Reynolds Betty McStravick Anniversary Mass on Saturday 12th August at 7pm Margaret McCavigan Anniversary Mass on Sunday 13th August at 11am Brian McConaghy Billy Savage (31) Gerard Polland (53)

Kevin Patterson Maurice Campbell (11) Francis Cushley Larry Keenan (19) John Skelton (66)

Mary Walker (15)

Harry McMullan Betty Hyndman (19)

Sugar and Spice

Between the years of 1986 -1990 (actual date unknown) a parish cookbook was published. The ladies of the parish showed great initiative when they took on the task of producing the cookbook titled Sugar and Spice. It includes many great recipes donated by parishioners. A few copies of this historic cookbook still remain today. The following recipe for Curry Special was donated by Mrs Cecelia McKavanagh.

Ingredients: ½ lb diced chump steak, ½ lb chopped mushrooms, 2 large finely chopped onions, 2 seeded and finely sliced peppers (1 green, 1 red), medium jar of mango chutney, 2 beef stock cubes, 1 tsp curry powder, 1 touch of tomato puree, small handful of raisins.

Method: Lightly fry diced chump steak. Add onions, peppers, mushrooms, and mango chutney. Mix curry powder with a little hot water and stir in with the tomato puree. Transfer all contents to a saucepan. Make up stock with 1/4 pint of boiling water and add. Stir well and add raisins. Bring to boil and simmer for 15 mins. Serve with boiled/fried rice.

Watch out for more historical and interesting facts about our parish to follow in the coming weeks.

Parish Priest: Fr Declan Mulligan Tel: 028 9265 1214

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

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.