

We welcome Fr Eddie Magee and Fr John Burns to our Parish this weekend. They will be celebrating all Masses on Saturday 9th and Sunday 10th September.

Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion: Communion Services, led by lay people in the absence of a priest, will take place in the parish between Monday 11th September and Wednesday 13th September. During the Service, the readings of the day will be reflected upon, and a Eucharistic Minister will distribute Holy

Communion consecrated during a previous Mass. Sick Calls: For all sick calls and emergencies from Friday 8th September to Wednesday 13th September please contact Fr Colm McBride in Glenavy on 028 9445 9560.

A Basic Introduction to the Irish Language: Come and join us in Aghagallon Community Centre on Tuesday 12th September at 7pm for a basic introduction to the Irish Language. Our speaker Eunan Magee will be explaining how the English we speak has been influenced by the Irish Language. Tea, coffee, and nibbles will be provided.

Our Placenames – Logainmneacha an Cheantair: Learn more about our part of the world through the rich story of townlands and place names. Kay Muhr, an expert on place names and their significance will be joining us in Aghagallon Community Centre on Tuesday 19th September at 7pm. Tea, coffee, and nibbles will be provided. Come and see.

Children's Liturgy of The Word Training Day: The Living Church Office is offering a training day for those who wish to facilitate Children's Liturgy of The Word in their parish. Training will take place in the Holy Rosary Parish Centre on Sat 14th October from 10am – 4pm and will provide skills and resources to help animate and break open The Word of God in a child friendly way. The course would also be a perfect refresher day for those currently involved in Children's Liturgy of The Word. Limited spaces so early booking is advised. For more information contact Claire on 02890 690920 or E: <u>livingchurch@downandconnor.org</u> WEEKLY BULLETIN <u>Sunday 10th September</u> <u>2023</u> <u>23rd Sunday in Ordinary</u> <u>Time</u> <u>Weekly Collection:</u> <u>£1057.00</u> <u>Monthly Stipend:</u> <u>£1242.05</u> <u>Online/Card Machine:</u> 1st September-7th September: <u>£492.50</u> <u>Thank you</u> <u>Recent Expenditure:</u> Shrine Candles £357.24

WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE Monday: 10.00am Tuesday: 7.00pm Wednesday: 10.00am Thursday: 7.00pm *(Norena Prayers)* Friday: 10.00am *(First Friday 7pm)* Saturday: 7.00pm *(Vigi)* Sunday: 9.00am & 11.00am CONFESSIONS

MINISTRY OF WELCOME

We welcome Austeja and Kamile, both recently Baptised 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. Families must also be present at 11am Mass on the morning their child receives the sacrament and be ready to begin immediately after Mass. 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

John Murray Months Mind Mass on Thursday 21st September at 7pm ANNIVERSARIES AT THIS TIME

Patrick Lavery
Joe McCavigan
Barry Geraghty
Dolores Cushley
Lily Mallon
Desmond McVeigh

Anniversary Mass on Saturday 9th September at 7pmAnniversary Mass on Sunday 10th September at 11amAnniversary Mass on Saturday 16th September at 7pmAnniversary Mass on Sunday 17th September at 11amEdna Downing (1)Mary Campbell (2)Brigid Skelton (19)

The Second Collection this week will be for the Youth Ministry in our Parish. The Growing In Faith Together (GIFT) programme is a follow-up to Confirmation. GIFT will be offered to ALL Year 8 pupils in the Parish and will run in the Community Centre on a Monday evening from 7.15pm to 9pm for 5 weeks, starting Monday, 25th September 2023. Application forms have been sent out to all the children who were Confirmed in our Parish. If your child was Confirmed outside the parish and would like to take part in our GIFT programme come along on the first evening and complete a registration form. **Macmillan Coffee Morning:** You are invited to come to our Coffee Morning on Sunday 1st October 2023 after 9am & 11am Mass in Aghagallon Community Centre Café. Hope you can join us **Autism NI Aghagallon Support Group:** Recommences on Tuesday 12th September at 8pm in Aghagallon Community Centre. Parents of children pre and post diagnosis are invited to come along to the support group. Meetings will be held on the second Tuesday of every month thereafter. **Yoga Classes:** The Raphael Studios in Ballinderry Upper are re-opening on 23rd September with classes in beginners' yoga and new classes will also be introduced. For more information visit www.theraphaelstudios.com or alternatively contact Bridget on 07503 154514.

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.