

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. Let's do Coffee - Macmillan Cancer Support: Join us for tea and coffee on Sunday 1st October 2023 after 9am & 11am Mass in Aghagallon Community Centre. We would be grateful for any bun/cake/biscuit donations. Contact Catherine in the Parish office for more information.

Cranagh and Aghagallon Club: Loughshore Care Partnership is dedicated to enabling community based, volunteer led services that target rural isolation, and aid the physical and mental well-being of our more senior citizens. The act of giving and connecting with others by volunteering is one of the most meaningful ways of making a valuable contribution to your community. New volunteers are encouraged to participate and dedicate a few hours each week to any of the groups. A bus service operates to and from the club. For more information E: myarr@btinternet.com / P: 07710 744568 or pick up a leaflet at the back of the church and learn about the wide variety of activities on offer every Tuesday from 11am - 1pm in the Cranagh and Aghagallon Club over the coming months. Youth 2000: Ulster Retreat at Lough Derg from Friday 29th September to Sunday 1st October 2023. The retreat is for anyone aged 16-35 and will include inspiring talks and workshops, music, group activities, youth Masses, Adoration, reconciliation, prayer, drama, games, and plenty of time to chill out and meet new people. Cost $f_{.35}$ /person. Find out what it means to be young and catholic today. Register for your place on www.youth2000.ie Pause for Hope: Clonard Monastery Belfast will offer a praver

service on Sunday 22nd October 2023 at 3.30pm for all those whose lives have been touched in one way or another by cancer. For more information visit www.pauseforhope.org.uk

WEEKLY BULLETIN Sunday 17th September 2023 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time Weekly Collection: £.1111.00 **Parish Youth Ministry:** £,270.00 **Online/Card Machine** 8th September-14th September: £77.50 Recent Expenditure: Graveyard Bin Maintenance £,59.34

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 Noah, who was 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 ANNIVERSARIES AT THIS TIME

Barry Geraghty **Dolores** Cushley Ambrose Doone Gerald Kelly James Bann-Lavery Months Mind Mass on Thursday 21st September at 7pm

Anniversary Mass on Saturday 16th September at 7pm Anniversary Mass on Sunday 17th September at 11am Anniversary Mass on Tuesday 19th September at 7pm The Deceased Members of the Campbell Family Anniversary Mass on Sunday 24th September at 11am Joseph (Josie) Hannon

Celebration of the Liturgy of the Word: We would like to thank all the Ministers of the Word and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion who provided such a prayerful space with the Celebration of the Liturgy of the Word last week.

Schools Mass: We welcome the pupils from St Patricks and St Mary's Primary Schools, they will be joining us in the Church on Monday 18th September at 10am for their opening year School Mass. Parents are welcome to come along.

Feast Day of St Padre Pio: Mass with the Relics of St Pio of Pietrelcina (organised by The Knights of St Columbanus) will take place in St Patricks Church Aghagallon. on Saturday 23rd September at 7pm. There will be a blessing with the glove of St Pio which will begin directly after the Mass. For more details E: ck49aghagallon@outlook.com or P: 02892 528916. Everyone welcome. Loving Father, touch me now with your healing hands, for I believe that your will is for me to be well in mind, body, soul, and spirit. Cover me with the most precious blood of your son, our Lord, Jesus Christ from the top of my head to the soles of my feet.

The Second Collection this week is the Harvest Offering for the Support of the Priests

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.