



PARISH

of Aghagallon & Ballinderry

Macmillan Coffee Morning: We hope you can join us for our Coffee Morning in the Community Centre Cafe today from 9.30am-12 noon. Everyone welcome.

We welcome Fr Denis Ryan and Fr John Burns to our Parish next weekend. They will be celebrating all Masses on Saturday 7th and Sunday 8th September.

The Seven Joys of Mary: October has begun, and we invite you join us to pray the rosary before Mass on Monday, Wednesday and at Liturgy of the Word on Friday. As we reflect throughout the month on the joys experienced by Mary, we hope that you can draw comfort from them and begin to make connections between your own faith journey and Mary's too. Prayers and reflections will be available for you to take home.

Children's Liturgy When you asked to have your child baptised into the Catholic faith, you and their Godparents promised to bring them up in the practice of the faith until they were old enough to make their own choices about attending Mass and receiving Sacraments. Now they are due to celebrate their First Penance, First Holy Communion or Confirmation your son/daughter will need to be familiar with the Church, their parish family, the Order of the Mass and common prayers, in addition to what the Sacraments mean. This is not possible without being part of your faith community and attending Mass. If you wish to present your son/daughter for any sacraments this year then they must attend Mass on a regular basis. Our Children's Liturgy takes place during the 11am Mass on Sundays during term time for Primary aged pupils. Trained and experienced leaders will enthusiastically lead creative sessions based on Scripture and catholic teaching to ensure children know that God loves them and they are part of His family.

Service of Light The Primary 7 pupils from St Mary's and St Patrick's Primary Schools will join us at 7pm for a Service of Light on Thursday 5th October 2023. A Service of Light is held before the Confirmation ceremony. There will be no Mass this evening it will be a Liturgy of the Word.

WEEKLY BULLETIN

Sunday 1st October 2023
26th Sunday in Ordinary
Time

Weekly Collection:
£1267.00
22nd Sept-28th Sept

Thank you

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. 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

Kathleen Mulholland

ANNIVERSARIES AT THIS TIME

Dan Tallon	Anniversary Mass on Saturday 30 th September at 7pm	
Ethna Hamill	Anniversary Mass on Sunday 1 st October at 11am	
Mary Tallon	Anniversary Mass on Tuesday 3 rd October at 7pm	
Hugh Mallon	Anniversary Mass on Saturday 7 th October at 7pm	
Pat McKillop	Anniversary Mass on Sunday 8 th October at 9am	
Mary Tinsley (31)	Stephen McGarrell	Brendan Douglas
Peggy McGuinness(8)	Bridie McMullan	John McCavigan
Veronica McKavanagh(36)	Comgall McPhillips	Cecilia Lavery (2)

The Second Collection this week is the Monthly Stipend

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION FOR CHILDREN IN NON-CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

If you chose to send your child to a non-Catholic school and would like to present them for First Penance (P3), First Holy Communion (P4) or Confirmation (P7) in the parish this year they must be prepared appropriately. Please contact their teacher to ensure that they are part of a catechetical programme and enrol them in children's liturgy in the parish. If schools do not provide sacramental preparation, the parish can assist with providing classes. Please contact Catherine in the parish office to collect an application form.

Children in Crossfire A representative from Children in Crossfire will visit and speak to us next weekend, with collections after each Mass. They are currently focused on supporting children affected by the recent conflict in Ethiopia, and proceeds raised will support that work.

G.I.F.T 1 We had great fun at our first session on Monday evening.

If you are in Year 8 you are welcome to come along to the Community Centre on Monday evening from 7pm-9pm.

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

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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.

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