# of Aghagallon & Ballinderry

**Statement by Bishop Alan McGuckian on the Election of Pope Leo XIV** With joy and gratitude, I welcome the news of the election of Pope Leo XIV as the Bishop of Rome and successor to Saint Peter. On behalf of the Diocese of Down and Connor, I pledge our prayer and heartfelt support for this 'Son of St. Augustine' entrusted with the apostolic mission to shepherd and serve the Church. Addressing the crowds gathered in Rome earlier this evening, Pope Leo XIV reminded everyone of the universality of the Church and that "God loves us, all of us". In a world torn apart by conflict, war and confusion, he encourages us to be heralds of peace and unity. I invite all the clergy, religious and laity across the Diocese of Down and Connor to offer prayers of thanksgiving. May God's blessing be upon Pope Leo XIV that he may bring the light of faith to those who are searching and be an instrument of God's peace in the world.

### Cemetery Sunday 11th May 2025

St Patrick's – 11am Maghernagaw – 2.30pm Old Aghagallon – 3.30pm

The main liturgy for Cemetery Sunday this year will be included within the 11am Mass directly followed by Blessing of the Graves and Rosary in St Patrick's Graveyard Aghagallon. We invite families whose burial grounds are in Maghernagaw and Old Aghagallon to also join us in this Mass offered for our beloved dead. There will be a gate collection for the upkeep of the Graveyards

Thank you to all of the volunteers who have offered to help with Cemetery Sunday.

**First Holy Communion** The children from St Patrick's and Ballinderry Primary School's will receive their First Holy Communion on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> May at 11am.

### WEEKLY BULLETIN Sunday 11th May 2025 Fourth Sunday of Easter

Weekly Collection: £992.00 Online £557.50 Monthly Stipend

> £990.00 Trocaire

£2,453.00

Thank you for your continued support

# WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE 12<sup>th</sup> May– 18<sup>th</sup> May Monday: 10.00am Tuesday: 7.00pm Wednesday: 10.00am Thursday: 10.00am

Saturday: 7.00pm (Vigil) Sunday: 9.00am & 11.00am

Liturgy of the Word Friday: 10.00am

### **RECENTLY DECEASED**

Fr Michael Dempsey Pope Francis Michael Blake Martin Moran Freddie Russell **ANNIVERSARIES AT THIS TIME** Una McHenry Ceceila McKavanagh

Una McHenry Ceceila McKavanagh John Hamill Jerome McIntyre Jim Brady Freda Mulholland Rosaleen Mulholland Kathleen Loughran Charles McStravick John Hyndman (56) Isobel McStravick (25) Month's Mind Mass Saturday 10th May at 7pm

Anniversary Mass Monday 12<sup>th</sup> May at 10am Anniversary Mass Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> May at 7pm Anniversary Mass Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> May at 7pm Anniversary Mass Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> May at 9am Anniversary Mass Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> May at 11am

Pat McKeveney Bernadette McKeveney Kevin Agnew Sr. Mary St. Cronan McKavanagh(20)

# MINISTRY OF WELCOME

## We welcome Leo, who was recently Baptised into our parish family.

**Booking Masses, Baptisms and Weddings** As parish office opening hours have been reduced slightly, we are returning to our previous practice of booking Masses, baptisms and weddings in person, in the sacristy <u>after</u> Masses.

Masses can be booked well in advance to ensure your preferred dates are available.

**Baptisms** can only be booked by the child's parent or legal guardian. At least one month's notice is required. To book a baptism parents <u>must present the child's long birth certificate</u>, complete the baptism request form, meet with one of our Baptism team and attend weekly Mass during the month prior to the date of the Baptism

Weddings can be booked by the couple themselves. Couples are required to give at least six months' notice of marriage to ensure the preferred date is available and that there is adequate time to complete all Civil and Church paperwork.

ANNUAL PARISH CENSUS 2025 The Diocese has asked all parishes in Down and Connor to complete a Parish census. This will take place at all Masses across the Diocese this weekend. Growing In Faith Together Programme We really enjoyed our first evening with the Year 10's. We chatted about friendship and prayer. Our next session will be tomorrow evening, Monday 12<sup>th</sup> May 2025 from 7pm-9pm.

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