**WEEKLY BULLETIN**

**22nd January 2017**

**Weekly Collection**

**£1292.70**

**Diocesan Youth Collection**

**£571.14**

**MINISTRY OF WELCOME**

**Baptisms: We welcome into our Parish Family**

**Conor Doone, Andrew Thomas McAlinden & James Anthony McAlinden**

**To Book a Baptism:** a parent must bring the long birth certificate to the Sacristy after any Mass. One month’s notice is required. Schedule: 1st & 3rd Sunday of each month.

**Weddings:** All couples must contact Fr Declan after any Mass six months before the date of their wedding to complete the necessary paperwork.

**G.I.F.T. 1** – The Growing In Faith Together (GIFT) programme for Year 8 pupils in the parish will run in the Community Hall on Monday evenings 7pm-9pm from 23rd January to 27th February 2017. If you did not receive an application form in the post come along with your child on Monday evening and complete a form.

**Capuchin Day Centre** All the crib donations will go to the homeless shelter in Dublin, we received a total of £429.71. If you wish to make any further donations please put in an envelope in the collection basket.

**Conference Room and Toilet Facilities –** Due to the increase of use we have outgrown our meeting and toilet facilities in St. Patrick’s. An assessment by a Surveyor appointed by the Diocese has estimated the costs of restructuring the space at over £48,000. We presented options to the Diocese re building a small extension, but this is not being supported. An easier option would be to convert the garages, but we may have to fund this without accessing our Solidarity Fund. There are drawings of how the space would look in the Church porch. If there are any builders in the parish who wish to quote for the conversion, please contact the parish office.

**Mass for the Sick and those who care for them** – We are having a special Mass of those who are sick, their families, carers and health care professionals on Saturday 11th February, the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes, in St. Patrick’s Church at 12 noon. During this Mass the Sacrament of the Sick will be available and there will be a special blessing of hands for families, carers and health professionals. Lunch will be provided afterwards in St. Patrick’s school.

**The Parish Finance Committee** will meet this week. If you have anything you think needs brought to their attention please leave details of this in the red post box at the Parochial House before Tuesday.

**Bloodmobile** – Car park Free Presbyterian Church Aghalee Thursday 19th Jan from 4pm-8pm. Give Blood Save Lives.

**Introducing the new Loughshore Adult Choir** with choirmaster Chris Greene. Aghagallon Community Centre 24th Jan 8pm-9.30

 **ANNIVERSARIES AT THIS TIME**

Martina Farr Anniversary Mass Saturday 21st January at 7pm

Susie Lavery (1) Anniversary Mass Sunday 22nd January at 9am

Hugh McCreanor Anniversary Mass Tuesday 24th January at 7pm

May Doone Anniversary Mass Saturday 28th January at 7pm

Fr Cyril Reilly

Mary Lappin Seamus Yarr

Michael McDowell Patrick J. McCloskey

Paul Magee(3) Hugh McConville

Bridget (Bridie) Magee Ursula Lavery

Jane Anna Tallon Elizabeth Brankin

Mary Kenny John Joe Core

Briget McKavanagh Bernadette Kelly(4)

**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 6:30pm**

**Saturday: 6:30pm**

**New Diocesan Data Protection Act Guidance - Request for Copies of Baptism, Confirmation or Marriage Certificates (Restricted) -** From time to time, many people find it necessary to request a copy of a Certificate of Baptism, or a record of their Confirmation or Marriage in Church.  Most commonly, this will be in connection with a marriage or a school application. In order to comply with the requirements of the Data Protection Act, all such requests need to be made in writing and certificates can only be issued to those named on the record – for instance, the person who was baptised, or, in the case of someone under the age of 16, their parent or guardian. Because these requests now need to be signed and we need to retain a written record of all requests for access to our sacramental registers, we are unable to accept requests by phone or e-mail. There will be an administration fee to cover the added costs.

**Research / Family Tree Requests (Partially Restricted) -** Once an individual is deceased, their personal data is no longer covered by the Data Protection Act.  However, the impact on living relatives should be considered prior to disclosure.  Personal information contained in a record of burials may be considered sensitive or liable to cause distress and the parish of Aghagallon and Ballinderry will no longer make parish records available for these purposes for the foreseeable future.