



# PARISH

of Aghagallon & Ballinderry

The Parish Office will be closed from Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December 2019 until Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2020. There will be no Bulletin on 29<sup>th</sup> December 2019 and 5<sup>th</sup> January 2020.

There will be no first Friday visits during the 1<sup>st</sup> week of January.

The Christmas Offering for the Support of the Priests will be taken up at all Masses on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day .

Christmas Liturgies Cards with Arrangements for Christmas Liturgies and Parish Calendars are available in the Porch. Please take one!

**Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> December 11am-1pm**  
**Christmas Eve: Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> December at 7pm (Children's Mass)**  
**Christmas Day: Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> December at 9am and 11am**

**THERE WILL BE NO ADORATION ON CHRISTMAS DAY. ADORATION WILL RESUME ON WEDNESDAY 1<sup>ST</sup> JANUARY 2020.**

**Advent Night Prayer:** The young people from our JP11 group will lead us in a special night prayer tonight Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> December from 8pm – 9pm. Take some time to pray and reflect during Advent in preparation for Christmas. Everyone welcome.

**The Epiphany of the Lord.** Normal Weekend Masses apply - Vigil Mass on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2020 at 7pm and Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> January at 9am and 11am.

**GIFT 4:** The young people from GIFT 4 will be singing Christmas Carols after all masses this weekend. Money raised from the door collection will go towards the GIFT 4 pilgrimage to Rome in July 2020.

**Parish Carol Service:** Thank you to the South Ulster Community Band who led us in our singing and to everyone who took time out from their busy Christmas preparations to join us in the Church or via the webcam. Thank you to Aine and Rosemary for setting the scene with the beautiful displays and candle light. Also a big thank you to our hospitality team, the mulled wine and mince pies were a real treat. It was a very festive occasion.

## WEEKLY BULLETIN

22<sup>nd</sup> December 2019

Weekly Collection:  
£1437.38

Lisburn Christmas  
Charity Collection:  
£480.00

Recent Expenditure:  
Parish Newsletter  
July-November:  
£228.80

Thank you for  
supporting our parish

## 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  
 Saturday before Mass

## MINISTRY OF WELCOME

We welcome into our Parish family Noah who was baptised recently

**Baptism:** Schedule: 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of each month. To book a baptism, a parent must bring the child's long birth certificate to the Sacristy after any Mass. One month's notice is required during which families attend a pre-baptism meeting and the 11am Sunday Family Mass. If parents are unable to attend the pre-baptism preparation, the baptism will be rebooked to a time when they can.

**Weddings:** All couples must contact Fr Declan after any Mass 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 offered to those who attend Church regularly.

## RECENTLY DECEASED

William Brankin

## ANNIVERSARIES AT THIS TIME

Jim Kelly

Anniversary Mass Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> December at 7pm

Martin Campfield

Anniversary Mass Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> December at 9am

Mary McDonald

Anniversary Mass Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> December at 11am

Mary Lappin

Anniversary Mass Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> January at 7pm

Edward Fegan Snr

Leo Mallon(14)

James Mulholland

Ambrose O'Neill

Bridgette McKavanagh

Connor O'Neill(28)

Pauline Lavery

Pat Brankin

Charlotte Mulholland(15)

Elizabeth Lavery

Hugh John Faloon

Jim McGuinness

**St Vincent de Paul:** Would like to thank all who donated to our Christmas collection which amounted to £990.20 and to all that donated to our giving tree appeal, an update will follow on this in the New Year. Our helpline is open to anyone in need and all calls received are dealt with confidentially.

**CBP Pilates-** New block starting Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> January in the Cranagh Hall. 2 classes filling up fast 6.30-7.30 and 7.30-8.30. contact Cat to book your place on 07708316003 or [catbutler04@yahoo.com](mailto:catbutler04@yahoo.com) All welcome – beginners & intermediate levels. £45 for 6 weeks.

**Christmas In Company:** If you live alone and don't want to be on your own, come join us for a sponsored Christmas dinner, chat and a bit of banter. The dinner will take place at the Bowling Pavilion in Lurgan Park on 25<sup>th</sup> December at 1pm.

**Aghagallon Apostolic** would like to wish the parish community a very happy Christmas. May you be surrounded by love and joy.

**We would like to thank the leaders of Children's Liturgy, GIFT and JP11, our choirs and musicians, our Church cleaners, the hospitality team, the Parish Pastoral Council, Finance and Safeguarding Committees, our volunteer Sacristans, our Ministers of the Word and Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist and all volunteers for their commitment and hard work over the year! Fr Declan and our Parish Team would like to wish all our parishioners Peace, Joy and Happiness this Christmas and New Year!**

All insertions for the bulletin please leave in the Parochial house red post box, phone 028 9265 1214 during Parish Office hours or email before 4pm on Tuesday e: [parishofaandb@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:parishofaandb@yahoo.co.uk) w: [aghagallonandballinderryparish.ie](http://aghagallonandballinderryparish.ie)

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