

Congratulations and Welcome: To Meghan and Angela who have just joined our Parish team as new Sacristans.

Parish Celebration and Blessing of Youth: During our 11am Mass we will have a Parish Celebration and Blessing of our young people to mark the start of Catholic Schools Week. We extend a particular welcome to representatives from our schools, youth clubs, sports organisations and everyone who works or volunteers with young people in our community. The Mass will conclude with a special blessing for their health, safety and wellbeing. "All of us can co-operate as instruments of God for the care of creation." Pope Francis.

# Service of Light for Primary 7 St Mary's and St Patrick's:

Thank- you to the teachers, children, families and parishioners who made the Service so special

**JPII Award:** The next meeting will be held on Thursday 30th January at 7pm in the Conference room. Please bring Award Cards to be signed. "Allow the light and the healing presence of Christ to shine brightly through your lives. In that way, all those who come in contact with you will discover the loving kindness of God." St Pope John Paul II.

St Brigid's Day: Saturday 1st February is the Feast of St. Brigid, Abbess and Secondary Patron of Ireland. St. Brigid's crosses will be blessed at the 7pm Mass.

The Presentation of the Lord, Candlemas: Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> February. On this day, we remember the presentation of Jesus Christ in the temple. Forty days after the birth of a Jewish boy, it was custom to take him to the temple in Jerusalem to be presented to God by his thankful parents. During Mass candles will be blessed for you to take home. "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows Me will never walk in the darkness, but will have the light of life."

If you would like to give a donation for the cost of the church candles throughout the year please use the wooden donation box in the porch.

The Feast of St. Blaise, Bishop and Martyr: Monday 3rd February. Mass and blessing of the throats at 10am.

## WEEKLY BULLETIN

26th January 2020 Weekly Collection: £1241.31 Diocesan Living Youth Collection: £445.00 Recent Expenditure: **Shrine Candles:** £287.52 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 Penny Alice, who was baptised recently. Baptism: Schedule: 1st & 3rd 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 premarriage course. A Wedding Mass is offered to those who attend Church regularly.

### RECENTLY DECEASED

Brother Thomas Lavery Months Mind Mass Thursday 30th January at 7pm. William (Liam) Haire Fr Conleth Byrne PE John O'Neill (Junior)

Rose Cormican Sally McCafferty (Nee Nelson)

#### ANNIVERSARIES AT THIS TIME

Betty Boyle Anniversary Mass Saturday 25th January at 7pm Hugh McCreanor Anniversary Mass Sunday 26th January at 9am Anniversary Mass Tuesday 28th January at 7pm Mary McAreavey Anniversary Mass Wednesday 29th January at 10am Mary Doone Malachy Nelson Anniversary Mass Saturday 1st February at 7pm

Jim Mallon(14) Gerry Mallon(12)

Patrick Lavery Sr. Mary Rita McKavanagh

Ellen Shephard Selena McTiernan Bernadette Kelly(7) Ursula Lavery

Christine McAlinden (Nee McManus)(16)

Home Safety in the Community: The PSNI visited the parish team this week and have left leaflets on home safety and security, these are at the back of the Church and available to all. Friends Of St Patricks: Invite you to Kids Bingo today Sunday 26th January from 3pm to 4.30pm in St Patrick's Primary School. £2 per ticket, and all Children must be accompanied by an adult. Come along for a family fun afternoon. All welcome.

Pilgrimage to Knock - Fully escorted Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine, Ireland, 24th February 2020. £399.00 per person sharing. Price includes return bus transfer to Knock, 4 nights' in Knock House Hotel with breakfast lunch and dinner (full board). All entertainment and excursions includedContact Patricia on 01268 762 278 or 07740 175557 or email knockpilgrimages@gmail.com.

Gift 4: The young people from Gift 4 travelling to Rome this year, will be collecting all loose coins including Euro's after all masses on the weekend of 8th & 9th February. Thank you for your continued support.

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