

**Diocesan Guidelines**: Due to the Coronavirus crisis, the Diocese has issued the following guidelines.

**Closures**: The Church, graveyards, playing field and car park are <u>closed</u> until further notice. Please do not force the automated gates, as this will cause damage that will prevent emergency/funeral use.

**Daily and Sunday Masses:** Masses will continue to be celebrated in private. Services will be streamed on our website

www.aghagallonandballinderryparish.ie or www.mcnmedia.tv.

Anniversaries: Anniversary/Special Intention Masses will continue to be offered. These can be requested via telephone or email and viewed on the Webcam. We will try to accommodate specific dates requested, however, if the date requested is unavailable we will book the next available Mass without contacting you. If this arrangement is not suitable, please postpone bookings until the restrictions are lifted.

Baptisms will cease until further notice, unless the baby is unwell. Funerals The parish can offer a Funeral Mass in private, prior to the family attending a public committal service. These will be streamed from St. Patrick's Church for family and parishioners to watch at home. Prayers at the graveside are restricted to the immediate family of the deceased. Please ensure numbers are kept to a minimum and social distancing advice is followed. If families prefer, they can schedule a public Mass for the deceased when the restrictions are removed.

Weddings will cease until further notice.

**Adoration** will cease until further notice. The Rosary will be streamed via the webcam or Parish radio at 3pm daily.

The Parish Office is closed until further notice.

**Sick Calls:** In the event of an emergency, please continue to phone the emergency number, detailed below.

Food Bank: We all can find it difficult to ask for help, so we are trialling a different approach. We have received a large donation of supplies and need to distribute them ASAP. A bag of groceries will be left out each day at the back/sacristy door of the church, for anyone who needs them, to collect anonymously. Should you need anything else during this challenging time, please contact the parish office on 02892 651214 or E: parishofaandb@yahoo.co.uk. All requests for assistance are strictly confidential and that you can always return the favour by making a donation to a charity when things improve.

### WEEKLY BULLETIN

12th April 2020

**Easter Sunday** 

# 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

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

Gerry McStravick Brendan McStravick Lil Digney Pete Mulholland

#### **ANNIVERSARIES AT THIS TIME**

Perpetua Holdeach
Anniversary Mass Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April at 10am
Deceased Members of the Doran Family
Anniversary Mass Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> April at 10am
Maurice McShane
Anniversary Mass Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> April at 7pm
Colm Curran
Anniversary Mass Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> April at 7pm

Damian Toomey Frances O'Neill Seamus O'Neill

As we celebrate Easter, Fr Declan and the Parish Pastoral Council would like to thank you for your prayers, help and generosity throughout the year. May you and all your loved ones have a Blessed Easter!

#### THANK YOU:

- to Catherine, Michelle, Angela and Meghan
- to the parish Safeguarding and Finance Committees
- to Aine, Rosemary and Sean who decorate the Church so beautifully throughout the year
- to the Altar Servers
- to Mary, Louise, Rosie, Michaela, Ann Marie, the choirs and musicians
- to our Ministers of the Word and Eucharist
- to Jim, the Church cleaners, the collectors, those who tidy the grounds
- to the Knights of St. Columbanus

Queen of heaven, rejoice, Alleluia.
The Son whom you merited to bear, alleluia,
has risen as he said, alleluia.
Pray for us to God, alleluia.
Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary, alleluia!
For the Lord has truly risen, alleluia!

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