



# PARISH

## of Aghagallon & Ballinderry

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

**Closures:** The Church, graveyards, playing field and car park are closed 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](http://www.aghagallonandballinderryparish.ie) or [www.mcnmedia.tv](http://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.

**Trócaire Boxes:** We would usually be collecting your trocaire boxes now, but that will not be possible this year, at a time when the developing world needs our help the most. Please donate online or over the phone. Donations can be made online at

<https://www.trocaire.org/donate/make-a-donation>.

**Please do not leave any boxes outside the church or parochial house.**

**Rosary:** Please join us via the webcam as we pray the Rosary each Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 3pm.

**WEEKLY  
BULLETIN**  
26<sup>th</sup> April 2020  
3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter

**Shrine 24/03/20**  
£407.00

**Easter Collection**  
£691.00

**Weekly Collection**  
£2495.00  
(24/03 – 24/04/20)

**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: 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

Fr Felix McGukin  
Pat Cleary

Fr Jim O'Donoghue  
Peter Tumelty

Gerry McStravick  
Fr Fernando Carberry OP

## ANNIVERSARIES AT THIS TIME

Maurice McShane  
Colin Curran  
Elizabeth Hannon

Anniversary Mass Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> April at 7pm

Anniversary Mass Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> April at 7pm

Edward Loye

Desmond Marsden

Lily Toland

**Knights of St Columbanus:** In the interest of supporting Our Parish Community, CK49 have developed a contact number for parishioners either in need or requiring support at this time. The number is: 02892528916. Please feel free to call this number for assistance, and if we are able to assist we will do so. God bless and Stay Safe.

**Easter Garden of the Resurrection:** We have set up a Garden of the Resurrection at the front of the Church. If you have any small pots of colourful flowers you can add these to the display as a symbol of hope.

## Aghalee, Aghagallon & Ballinderry Covid-19 (Coronavirus) Support Group

Government Food Packages: If you are in receipt of a letter from your GP telling you to isolate for 12 week and you have no other means of obtaining food you may be entitled to a food package.

Likewise, if you are experiencing hardship as a result of the pandemic or your children are in receipt of Free School Meals, we can help you with food packages. If you are isolating and need a prescription collected, they have a team of volunteers who are able to do that for you.

Should you need anything else during this challenging time, please contact the parish office on 02892 651214 or E: [parishofaandb@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:parishofaandb@yahoo.co.uk). All requests for assistance are strictly confidential and you can always return the favour by making a donation to a charity when things improve.

**ACCORD COUNSELLING.** IF YOU NEED TO SPEAK TO AN EXPERIENCED COUPLES & RELATIONSHIPS COUNSELLOR DURING THIS TIME OF UNPRECEDENTED STRESS AND PRESSURE ON FAMILY LIFE... Contact: 028 9568 0151 003531 531 3331 9.00 am - 8.00 pm, Monday to Friday. All calls charged at local rate.

Parish Priest:  
Fr Declan Mulligan  
Tel: 028 9265 1214

**EMERGENCIES AND  
SICK CALLS:**  
07831 934 756  
028 9445 956

St Vincent De Paul Contact  
Number: 07810 036 763  
07745 785 181

Lifeline Freephone  
0808 808 8000  
Diocesan Safeguarding Office  
028 9049 2798

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