



PARISH

of Aghagallon & Ballinderry

Following the recent statement announcing that public worship may resume in Northern Ireland from Friday 26th March, the Northern Bishops emphasise the need for continued caution and that they are encouraging the faithful to celebrate the Passion, Death and Resurrection of Jesus from the domestic church of their own homes via live streaming. We will consult closely with our parish pastoral council and our Covid19 support team to make the decision on how best to proceed forward in a safe manner. The church continues to be closed for public worship until rigorous risk assessments are undertaken. Please consult the parish website/Facebook page for updates on re-opening and also the celebration of Holy Week and Easter.

Private Prayer: Apart from Mass times, St Patrick's Church currently remains open for private/personal prayer, from 9am – 6pm, unless advised otherwise. Please do not enter the Church if you are feeling unwell.

Face Coverings: A face covering must be worn at all times on Church grounds and within St Patrick's Church, unless you are exempt. Please sanitise your hands as you enter and leave the Church and before and after using the Shrines.

Daily and Sunday Mass: The public celebration of Mass continues to be suspended in all Churches within the Diocese, but will continue to be celebrated at the normal times without a congregation. Services will be streamed on the parish radio and parish webcam. This can be accessed from our website, www.aghagallonandballinderryparish.ie.

Adoration: Will continue to run on Wednesdays from 10.30am to 6pm, unless advised otherwise.

Funerals: Funeral Services and Requiem Masses, whilst observing social distancing regulations, are currently permitted with no pre or post funeral gatherings. Numbers are limited to a maximum of 25 attendees which includes musicians and singers. Please remember that gatherings are not permitted on Church grounds during funerals. Funerals will continue to be streamed for others to watch at home. Available Times for Requiem Masses in St Patrick's Church are Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday: 10a.m. Tuesday and Thursday: 10a.m. or 12 noon. Sunday: 9a.m.

Weddings: Weddings are currently permitted in the Church under strict guidelines and numbers are restricted to a maximum of 25 guests.

Anniversaries: Anniversary/Special Intention Masses and Sanctuary Lamp Intentions continue to be offered. Family and friends can watch requested masses on the webcam. Book via email or telephoning the office.

Sick Calls: Currently, sick calls can only be made if someone is gravely ill.

WEEKLY BULLETIN

21st March 2021
5th Sunday of Lent

Weekly Collection: £1252.00
Donation Received: £1000

Recent Expenditure:
Liturgical Goods £228.88

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

MINISTRY OF WELCOME

Baptism: Baptisms are now permitted within strict guidelines, with a maximum of 10 people in attendance. Please email the office for a booking form and more details. Baptisms take place the 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month at 12 noon, with only one child/family per allocated Sunday.

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 only offered to those who attend Church regularly.

RECENTLY DECEASED: Lorna Doone

ANNIVERSARIES AT THIS TIME

Margaret Walsh

Madeline Cushley

Joan McHenry

Catherine Reynolds

Jerome Doris

Maureen Cinnamond

Tony Cushley

Tony King

Niamh Mitchell(15)

Jim Mallon(7)

Anniversary Mass on Sunday 21st March at 11am

Anniversary Mass on Monday 22nd March at 10am

Anniversary Mass on Wednesday 24th March at 10am

Anniversary Mass on Thursday 25th March at 7pm

Anniversary Mass on Friday 26th March at 10am

Anniversary Mass on Saturday 27th March at 7pm

Anniversary Mass on Sunday 28th March at 9am

Anniversary Mass on Sunday 28th March at 11am

Vincent Douglas(59)

Gerard Douglas(8)

Edwina McConaghy

There will be a second collection this week for Needy Parishes.

Palm Sunday 28th March 2021 The church will be open for private prayer between 1pm-6pm.

During this time palm crosses will be available for collection, we will have liturgical music playing in the background and prayer cards available for you to take time to reflect and prepare for Holy Week. During this time it is important to have Prayer as connection to community - a way of engaging, of not being alone – and of receiving support from others in the community. As we continue our journey through the season of Lent in preparation for Easter, we focus our minds and hearts on God, we see more clearly what should be the right priorities in our lives. What we treasure most in our hearts and whatever gives meaning and purpose to our lives is revealed by the way we relate to each other.

Parish Office: The parish office continues to be closed to visitors until further notice. Remote Parish Office opening hours are Tuesday to Thursday, from 10am-4pm. You can leave a message on the voicemail or email your admin. requests outside of these hours. We will endeavour to respond to your requests as soon as possible and your patience is appreciated. The emergency mobile is for emergencies only.

Donations: Thank you to all parishioners who have continued to donate during this current lockdown, including those who despite the challenge of restrictions have donated through our website. These donations make a great difference within our parish, aiding the upkeep of our church and helping with the needs of the parishioners. Your continued support is greatly appreciated.

Altar Servers: A big community thank you to the altar servers who undertook a litter pick at the back of the church and also the football pitch. You all did a great job tidying up.

Confessions: Are currently by appointment only.

"He stilled the storm to a whisper, the waves of the sea are hushed." Psalm 107:29

Parish Priest:

Fr Declan Mulligan

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EMERGENCIES AND SICK CALLS:

07831 934 756

028 944 595 600

St Vincent De Paul Contact

Number: 07810 036 763

07745 785 181

Lifeline Freephone 0808 808 8000

The Order of The Knights of

St Columbanus 028 92 528 916

Diocesan Safeguarding Office

028 9049 2798

Parish Office Tel: 02892651214

Email: parishofaandb@yahoo.co.uk

Parish Office open Tuesday – Thursday 10am-4pm.

All insertions for the bulletin please leave in the Parochial house red post box, email or phone the parish office before 4pm on Tuesday.