



PARISH

of Aghagallon & Ballinderry

Covid Secure Safety Policies and Procedures: When visiting the Church and during all Liturgies, please continue to observe safety measures, such as good hand hygiene and 2m social distancing.

Face coverings must be worn by everyone while entering and exiting the Church – this is a legal requirement, unless you are exempt. Restrictions are still in place for Baptisms, Weddings and funerals. Please contact the office if you require more details.

Anniversary/Special Intention Masses and Sanctuary Lamp Intentions. Please book via email or telephoning the office.

Parish Office: Office opening hours are Tuesday to Thursday, from 10am-4pm. The emergency mobile is for emergencies only.

The Synod – Preparing to Speak Boldly and Listen Humbly: On this Gaudete Sunday we are reminded of our Baptism and the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit brought about an inner strength in the hearts of the apostles at Pentecost. It was this inner strength that sent them out to proclaim the good news that Jesus is Lord. The Holy Spirit offers us the same strength and courage to carry out the mission of the Church today. They week we encourage you to pray: *Heavenly Father we ask that we become attentive to the work of the Holy Spirit in our lives. May we be faithful witnesses to the Holy Spirit at work in our lives. May the fruits of the Spirit – love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control be evident in our lives and in the Church's Synodal journey. Amen.*

Apostolic: The Christmas Prize Draw will take place on Saturday 18th December - details of all prizes in the church porch. A limited number of tickets are still available from the Parish Office, Aghagallon Spar and Kelly's Shop, Whitehall. Good luck everyone and thank you for your continued support.

The Third Sunday of Advent: Gaudete Sunday

Today is Gaudete Sunday and has for many years been the day when the children of Rome bring the figurines of Baby Jesus from their family cribs to St Peter's Square to be blessed by the Pope during the Angelus. The day is affectionately known as "Bambinelli Sunday".

WEEKLY BULLETIN
3rd Sunday of Advent
Sunday 12th December
2021

Weekly Collection: £1194
Monthly Stipend: £1425
Thank You.

Recent Expenditure:
Emptying Graveyard Bins
£70.02

The Sanctuary Lamp will
burn this week for a Special
Intention

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 Oisín, who was recently Baptised into our Parish Family.

Baptisms: 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 and on Thursday evenings at 6pm. A total of 15 people permitted to attend.

Weddings: Currently the number permitted to attend weddings is to be determined following individual risk assessments. Attendees must follow all guidance and adhere to policies and procedures put in place to ensure the safety of all. All couples must contact Fr Declan 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 Mass here regularly.

NB: Parish Staff and volunteers are there to support us and ensure we remain Covid secure. Please engage respectfully with them at all times.

RECENT DEATHS

Mary McCavigan
Jane McCann
Rita McNulty
Brian McNerney

ANNIVERSARIES AT THIS TIME

Deceased Members of the Campfield Family	Anniversary Mass on Sunday 12 th December at 11am
Seamus Mulholland	Anniversary Mass on Monday 13 th December at 10am
Dorothy Creaney	Anniversary Mass on Tuesday 14 th December at 7pm
Bridie Lavery	Anniversary Mass on Thursday 16 th December at 7pm
Martin McMahan	Anniversary Mass on Saturday 18 th December at 7pm
Ben McNulty	Anniversary Mass on Sunday 19 th December at 11am
Bernard (Bertie) Magee	Fr. Oliver McStravick
Elizabeth Lavery	Harry McVeigh
Connor O'Neill (30)	Seamus Lavery
	John McVeigh

Advent Night Prayer

The Knights of Columbanus will lead Night Prayer this evening from 6pm – 7pm. Everyone welcome.

Christmas Masses: If we are permitted to have congregations present, we will be operating a booking system for all Christmas Masses. Please see overleaf for details of how and when to book. NB: All arrangements are subject to change at short notice. Please refer to the parish website and face book page for up to date information.

Important days this week.....

St Lucy (Mem) – Monday 13th December
St John of the Cross (Mem) – Tuesday
14th December

Parish Priest:

Fr Declan Mulligan

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EMERGENCIES AND SICK CALLS:

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The Order of The Knights of

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

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parish office before 4pm on Tuesday.