



PARISH

of Aghagallon & Ballinderry

Obligation to attend Sunday/Holyday Masses: The Irish Bishops have announced that attending Mass on Sunday and Holydays is once again deemed to be an obligation, unless the person is shielding or unwell.

Gradual Easing of Covid-19 policies and procedures: The Diocese recommends a continuation of protective measures to ensure the safety and wellbeing of all members of parish communities, especially those who are anxious or vulnerable. Parishioners should continue to wear a mask/face covering while in the Church and sanitise their hands as they enter and leave.

Daily Masses, Weddings & Funerals: Will continue with all previous restrictions in place. Every third pew will be available for seating, 2m markers will remain in place for those who wish to maintain social distancing, Communion will be received at the pews and the one-way system will continue. Holy Communion will be distributed at the pews and on the hand only. The maximum capacity of the Church with these measures in place is 140 people.

Sunday and Feast Day Masses: The above restrictions will remain in place for those sitting on the left-hand section of the Church. If Eucharistic Ministers are available to assist with the distribution of Holy Communion, the right-hand section of pews and the balcony will have free seating and every other pew will be available. Parishioners will once again process up for Holy Communion, entering the middle aisle to their left, row by row from the front of the Church and returning to their seat via the right-hand side aisle. The Eucharistic Ministers will distribute Holy Communion from behind a Perspex screen. Parishioners are asked to put their cupped hands under the screen to receive the Host. At the end of Mass, those sitting on the left-hand side of the Church are asked to leave row by row, from the front, turning left and via the side entrance. Those on the right can exit their pew from the left-hand side via the main entrance. Those seated in the balcony can exit via the main entrance.

Parish Office Opening Hours: Interim office opening hours remain Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, from 9am-5pm. The emergency mobile is for emergencies only.

WEEKLY BULLETIN

Sunday 8th May 2022
4th Sunday of Easter

Weekly Collection: £1771
Monthly Stipend: £1650
Trocaire: £1353

Thank you for supporting
our Parish

Recent Expenditure:
Parish Newsletter
£102.16

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 Oliver, 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. At least one month's notice is required, during which parents meet with a member of our Baptismal Team and the family attends the 11am Sunday Mass weekly, prior to the Baptism. If families are unable to complete the preparation or attend Mass, the Baptism will be rebooked to a time when they can. 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 in the parish *weekly* during the six-month notice of marriage period.

RECENTLY DECEASED

Canon Robert Fullerton
Mary Scullion

ANNIVERSARIES AT THIS TIME

Anna Marner(2)	Anniversary Mass on Sunday 8 th May at 9am
Una McHenry	Anniversary Mass on Monday 9 th May at 10am
Henry Campbell	Anniversary Mass on Tuesday 10 th May at 7pm
Molly Hill	Anniversary Mass on Wednesday 11 th May at 10am
Cecilia McCrory	Anniversary Mass on Thursday 12 th May at 7pm
Jim Brady	Anniversary Mass on Saturday 14 th May at 7pm
Isobel McStravick(22)	Freda Mulholland Thomas Mallon

Cemetery Sunday Weekend, 7th-8th May 2022: Fr Declan has blessed the Graves in all graveyards. Holy Water and short prayer booklets are available in the Church porch if people wish to collect and use when they visit the graves across this weekend. Prayers will be offered at all Masses this weekend for our beloved dead who are buried in parish cemeteries.

***A collection box will be placed in the main porch. All funds raised will go towards the upkeep of the Graveyards.**

May the Month of Mary: During the month of May, we will pray the Rosary daily before Mass.
May Altar: We invite you to place flowers at the grotto in the porch and take time to say a prayer. Rosary beads and prayer cards are available for you to take home.

JP11 Award: "Making young people visible in the Church" The JP11 group will be leading a special Night Prayer this evening - Sunday 8th May at 7pm for all the students and their families who will be undertaking exams at this time.

"Remember that you are never alone, Christ is with you on your journey every day of your lives"

St John Paul 11

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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.