



# 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 unwell.

**Booking Masses:** We try our best to accommodate requests for specific dates. However, this is not always possible, and we may offer you alternative dates. Please remember that funerals take precedence over all bookings and that there is no right to demand the use of the church on any given date/time.

### **Gradual Easing of Covid-19 policies and procedures:**

Parishioners should continue to wear a mask/face covering while in the Church and sanitise their hands as they enter and leave. Seating on the left side of the church will maintain a 2m distance to accommodate those who wish to remain socially distanced. Any queries contact the office or ask a member of the team in the church.

**Parish Office Opening Hours:** Interim office opening hours remain Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, from 9am-5pm.

**Emergency Mobile:** Sometimes, due to poor coverage, calls/texts are not automatically received. If your call is not returned promptly, please keep trying.

**Graveyard Extension Update:** Although the new extension looks finished, the contractor has still a few jobs left to complete. Our graveyard committee has finalised the documentation for lease holders. This is subject to approval from the diocese. We hope to contact all those who have registered an interest in a lease in the middle of June. We will then make arrangements for payment and confirm any details we need. Thank you for your patience.

**Diocesan Pilgrimage to Fatima 2022:** 8<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> September. 7-night full board hotel from £689 pp sharing. For more information and bookings contact Joe Catney on 02890 714001/ 0776425631.

**Dromantine Retreat and Conference Centre:** One day workshop Sat 18<sup>th</sup> June. Cost £45. Long before social distancing entered our lives a silent epidemic of loneliness was sweeping our world. This workshop explores the impact isolation is having on our health and happiness and how to rebuild a more fulfilled and connected life. For bookings T: 02830 821964 E: [admin@dromantineconference.com](mailto:admin@dromantineconference.com)

### **WEEKLY BULLETIN**

Sunday 5th June 2022  
Pentecost Sunday  
Weekly Collection:  
£1630.00

Thank you

**Recent Expenditure**  
**Annual Media Steaming**  
**Fee for Parish Webcam**  
**£684.00**

*The Sanctuary Lamp will  
burn this week for Brian  
Doris.*

### **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

### **MINISTRY OF WELCOME**

**Baptisms:** Please email the office for a booking form and more details. Baptisms take place the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> 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 are 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**

Kathleen Walsh  
Dessie Walsh  
Gary Nelson  
Sr Pascal McMeel

### **ANNIVERSARIES AT THIS TIME**

John Magee(8)  
Kevin McStravick  
Brian Doris  
Madge Jordan  
John McAlinden

Anniversary Mass on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> June at 11am  
Anniversary Mass on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> June at 7pm  
Anniversary Mass on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> June at 10am

### **The Second Collection this week is the Monthly Stipend**

**Pentecost Sunday:** The season of Easter concludes with today's celebration, the feast of Pentecost. On Pentecost we celebrate the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the apostles. It reminds us that after his death Jesus fulfilled his promise to send his disciples a helper, an advocate who would enable them to be his witness throughout the world. The reconciling presence of Christ is celebrated through the sacraments and through the forgiveness of sins, bringing peace and harmony in times of conflict.

**Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth. Ps 104**

**Clonard Novena:** 15<sup>th</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup> June. All welcome in Church or online. For more information visit [www.clonard.com](http://www.clonard.com) or look up Facebook—clonard monastery, Twitter—@clonardmbelfast.

**Dromantine Newry, SMA Open Day and Family Fun Day:** Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> June.

1.00pm-5.30pm. Cost £5 per car. T: 02830 821964 for more information. Everyone welcome.

### **Important days this week.....**

The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church (Mem) – Monday 6<sup>th</sup> June  
St Colman (Mem) – Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> June  
St Columba (Colum Cille) (Feast) - Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> June  
St Ephrem (Mem) – Friday 10<sup>th</sup> June  
St Barnabas (Mem) – Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> June

**Parish Priest:**

Fr Declan Mulligan

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**EMERGENCIES AND  
SICK CALLS:**

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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.