



# PARISH

## of Aghagallon & Ballinderry

**Obligation to attend Sunday/Holyday Masses:** Mass on Sunday and Holydays is once again deemed to be an obligation.

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

**First Friday Visits:** Currently, monthly visits to parishioners who are housebound take place upon request. We are aware that many people who were previously on the First Friday visiting list have not requested a visit. From September onwards, we are hoping to return to more regular home visits to parishioners who are housebound and/or still shielding. Unfortunately, we will not be able to return to the pre-pandemic levels of monthly visitation when Fr Declan visited 8-10 people each day across the First Friday week. We are developing a blended model of visitation, with Eucharistic Ministers and members of our parish visitation group assisting. This means that not everyone will receive a monthly visit from a priest unless they require a sick call or are going into hospital for scheduled surgery. If you or a family member would like to register for home visits, please contact the parish office next week during office hours and leave your details.

**One Day Retreats at Lough Derg:** One Day Retreats have resumed on Lough Derg and will run throughout September from 10.30am – 4.30pm on the following selected dates - August 28 & 29, September 3, 7, 10, 13, 17, 18, 24 & 25. Booking is essential. Admission cost €45pp. Fee includes refreshments, lunch, full retreat programme, free car and coach parking, and return boat service. Boats available from 9.15am. For more information and booking: P: +353 (0)71 9861518 W: [www.loughderg.org](http://www.loughderg.org) E: [info@loughderg.org](mailto:info@loughderg.org)

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

The Passion of St John the Baptist (Mem) – Monday 29th August  
St Fiacre (Mem) – Tuesday 30th August  
St Aidan of Lindisfarne (Mem) – Wednesday 31st August  
Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation – Thursday 1st September  
St Gregory the Great (Mem) – Saturday 3rd September

### WEEKLY BULLETIN

Sunday 28th August 2022  
22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time.

#### Weekly Collection:

£1141.50

#### Cathedral Fund: £145

Thank you for  
Supporting our Parish

#### Recent Expenditure:

Bi-Annual Water Rate  
Charges £79.95

### 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

We welcome Iarlaith, who was baptised recently 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 20 people are permitted to attend.

**Weddings:** Wedding guests must continue to follow all guidance and adhere to policies and procedures put in place to ensure the safety of 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

Maura Mulholland  
Bernice Haughian  
Patrick Scullion  
Maurice Lavery  
Nuala McConaghy

### ANNIVERSARIES AT THIS TIME

Cecelia Lavery  
Desmond Lavery  
Paul Lavery  
Dolores Cushley(2)  
The Deceased Members of the McKay Family  
Gerard Mulholland Colm McCartan(7)  
Pat Loughan Patrick Rogers

Anniversary Mass on Sunday 28th August at 11am  
Anniversary Mass on Wednesday 31st August at 10am  
Anniversary Mass on Friday 2nd September at 7pm  
Anniversary Mass on Saturday 3rd September at 7pm  
Anniversary Mass on Sunday 4th September at 11am  
Mary Bridget Lappin Edward Lappin  
Roseann McStravick John McCrory(28)

**Autism NI Aghagallon Support Group:** Welcomes parents and carers of individuals pre and post diagnosis to share experiences, learn new skills, or just come for a chat and a coffee. First meeting to be held on Wednesday 7th September from 7.30pm – 8.30pm in the Community Centre. Meetings will be held monthly thereafter.

**Aghagallon Baby and Toddler Group:** Restarting on Friday 9th September in the Community Centre, and will run on Friday from 10am – 11.30am. The group is in need of toys, such as wooden toys, musical toys, books, small ride on toys, arts and crafts supplies, sensory toys, floor mats and a toy kitchen. If anyone has toys like these that they no longer need and are in good condition, please drop them off at the Community Centre between 10am and 12 noon on any Friday morning

**Congratulations to all those who have received their exam results recently. Best wishes for the future.**

Parish Priest:

Fr Declan Mulligan

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### EMERGENCIES AND SICK CALLS:

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028 944 595 600

St Vincent De Paul Contact

Number: 028 9035 1561

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Lifeline Freephone 0808 808 8000

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St Columbanus 028 92 528 916  
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028 9049 2798

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Email: [parishofaandb@yahoo.co.uk](mailto: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.