

We welcome Fr Derek Kearney back to our Parish next weekend. He will be celebrating all Masses on Saturday 11th and Sunday 12th February.

Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion: Communion Services, led by lay people in the absence of a priest, will take place in the parish between Wednesday 8th February and Friday 10th February. During the Service, the readings of the day will be reflected upon, and a Eucharistic Minister will distribute Holy Communion consecrated during a previous Mass.

Sick Calls: For all sick calls and emergencies from Wednesday 8th February to Sunday 12th February please contact Fr Colm McBride in Glenavy on 028 9445 9560.

Primary 7 Retreat Day with St Patrick's & St Mary's: Fr Declan and Catherine welcomed the children on Tuesday to the community centre. We had great fun and enjoyed preparing for Confirmation. Joe, The Gathering Drum joined us and let the children release a lot of energy and a lot of noise. We look forward to seeing the children back at Children's Liturgy each Sunday during 11am Mass. Down and Connor Diocesan Trust Sacristan - Glenavy and Killead Parish: A vacancy has arisen for a Sacristan within Glenavy and Killead Parish at the Mater Dei Church. For more information relating to the vacancy visit http://www.downandconnor.org Application packs can also be obtained from Glenavy and Killead Parish Office. Closing date for applications will be 12 noon Thursday 9th February 2023.

Beloved Disciples - Spirituality for the Autumn of Life: Join us this February/March for the Beloved Disciples Programme which explores and celebrates the gifts that older people bring to our Church community. The programme, designed for women over 60 runs for 4 weeks and begins on Friday 10th February at 11am at Living Church - Belfast concluding on Friday 3rd March. Over a cup of tea or coffee there will be opportunities for talking, listening, and sharing what our faith means to us as we continue our journey seeking to grow in the love of Christ and others. Each session will be approximately one hour long. To book contact Claire on 028 9069 0920 or email livingchurch@downandconnor.org

WEEKLY BULLETIN Sunday 5th February 2023

Weekly Collection: £.1827.00 **Online/Card Machine** 26/01/22 -02/02/23 £,478.59

Recent Expenditure: Annual Parish Insurance £.4839.67

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

MINISTRY OF WELCOME

Baptisms: Please email the office for a booking form and more details. Baptisms take place the 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month directly after 11am Mass 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 their parish weekly during the six-month notice of marriage period.

Anniversary Mass Saturday 4th February at 7pm

RECENTLY DECEASED

Pat McAllister Ciaran Hendron Robert Moore

ANNIVERSARIES AT THIS TIME

Malachy Nelson Maura Rogers Mary Healey Charlie Ward Patsy McStravick Millie Nelson Kevin Scullion Lizzy Doran Ellen Rogers Seamus Campbell Ellen Tallon Patrick Peter Tallon Mary Kenny

Anniversary Mass Sunday 5th February at 9am Anniversary Mass Monday 6th February at 10am Anniversary Mass Tuesday 7th February at 7pm Anniversary Mass Saturday 11th February at 7pm Anniversary Mass Sunday 12th February at 11am Maura McGurnahan May Doran Veronica McCorry (43) Joseph Hannon Madge Campbell Patrick Tallon Snr Cecelia Kenny

Sean Desmond Mulholland Sam Gowdy Hugh Pat Mulholland (6) Mother Brendan Tallon Iane-Anna Tallon Edward Kenny

February - Month of the Holy Family

This year the first 3 1/2 weeks of February falls during the liturgical season known as Tempus per Annum or Ordinary Time, which is represented by the liturgical colour green. Green is a symbol of hope, as it is the colour of the sprouting seed and arouses in the faithful the hope of reaping the eternal harvest of heaven, especially the hope of a glorious resurrection. The liturgical colour Green is worn during prayer of Offices and Masses of Ordinary Time. The remaining days of February marks the beginning of Lent. The liturgical colour changes to violet or purple, a symbol of penance, mortification, and the sorrow of a contrite heart.

Diocesan Directories: Available to purchase from the Church Porch. Cost $f_{.5}$ each.

The Second Collection this week is the Monthly Stipend.

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.

Parish Priest: Fr Declan Mulligan Tel: 028 9265 1214 **EMERGENCIES AND** SICK CALLS: 07831 934 756 028 944 595 600

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