

Seagoe Parish

MASS SCHEDULE

ST PATRICK'S AGHACOMMON

Sunday	11:00am
Tuesday	10:30am
Thursday	10:30am
Friday	7:00pm

ST MARY'S DERRYTRASNA

Monday	10:30am
Wednesday	7:00pm
Saturday (vigil Mass for Sunday)	6:00pm

Confessions 5:30-5:50pm

CEMETERY POLICY

An issue affecting many communities across the North in these times is cemetery space, both in civic and Church-owned cemeteries. It is therefore incumbent on us to make best use of the space we have in our cemeteries in Saint Patrick's and Saint Mary's. To that end, the Parish Pastoral Council began work with Fr John Byrne RIP to draw up a policy that would help shape the best use of the land available as new graves are opened, times which are invariably painful and sensitive occasions for the families involved. Since that time comes to us all sooner or later, and most if not all parishioners hope to be laid to rest in these cemeteries, it is good for these issues to be set out clearly, and the members of the pastoral council have endeavoured to do justice to them with great care and concern, and the document published today is the result of much deliberation. I therefore invite all parishioners to become familiar with the cemetery policy available from the churches and parish office. Its principal points are

* who may be buried in the parish cemeteries

* single plots accommodating up to four coffins as the norm for newly-opened graves

* cost of a plot

* care and maintenance of graves.

New measures introduced by the policy take effect from this Sunday, 18 July 2021.

In parallel, there is work needed in St Patrick's cemetery to make best use of the land available by realigning paths in the unused part of the cemetery. The parish finance council has submitted plans for such work to the diocese which, if approved, will result in many more grave spaces available than is currently the case.

I thank parishioners for their understanding as these changes are implemented over the coming months, and hope it will provide reassurance that these measures mean many more will find their resting place in these hallowed grounds. May the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.

Fr Brian Fitzpatrick

† ETERNAL REST †

RECENTLY DECEASED

Eilish O'Neill, Ardmore Road

ANNIVERSARIES

Saturday 17 July

Josephine & David Scullion,
Loughview Terrace

Sunday 18 July

Joseph Haughian, Charlestown Road
Rosella & Paul McMahon

Monday 19 July

Thomas Livingston, Siverwood

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord,
and let perpetual light shine upon them.*

*May their souls and all the souls of the faithful departed,
through the mercy of God, rest in peace.
Amen.*

BAPTISM

We welcome

**Evie Alice Theresa Beattie,
Avondale Manor**

**Ailbhe Clare Henry,
Loughview Manor**

into our Christian community
following their recent baptisms.

RECONCILIATION

Lockdown prevented many people from availing of Confession. The opportunity is now available again to be at peace with God and neighbour through Reconciliation, every Saturday, 5:30pm in St Mary's, Derrytrasna. This wonderful sacrament is a source of strength in changing for the better, as much about the future as about the past. **Come back to me, with all your heart, for I am kind and full of compassion.**

FEASTS OF THE WEEK

- 21 Jul** Anniversary of Dedication of Newry Cathedral
- 22 Jul** St Mary Magdalene, *apostle to the Apostles*
- 23 Jul** St Bridget of Sweden, *wife, mother, patron of Europe*
- 24 Jul** St Declan, *evangelised the Déise, Waterford*

PARISH OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Sunday 11 July £1074.44

ANNIVERSARIES

Anniversaries **MUST** be in the parish office by 12.00 noon Thursday in order to be included in the bulletin and more importantly the Mass schedule for the following week. Masses can be booked in advance.

ST RONAN'S PASTORAL AREA:

comprising the parishes of Seagoe, Moyraverty,
Lurgan and Magheralin

Sunday Bulletin

Sunday 18 July 2021

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

TELEPHONE NUMBERS

Fr Brian Fitzpatrick, PP. 3834 1901
Fr Michael Maginn, Assistant Pastor 3831 1872
Rev Gerry Heaney, permanent deacon 3834 3013

Fr Juan Jesús González Borralló,
newly ordained 3834 1901

St Anthony's Church Sacristy 3834 5297
St Anthony's Parish Hall 075 3112 6199

St Vincent de Paul Confidential Helplines
Moyraverty 079 1949 6053
Seagoe 078 2777 0304

Safeguarding Children & Vulnerable Adults

Diocesan Designated Child Protection Officer
Patricia Carville 077 8991 7741
Southern Health & Social Care Trust 0800 783 745
N.I ChildLine 0800 1111

PARISH OFFICE

Opening hours:

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday: 9:00am-2:00pm
Friday: 9:00am-1:00pm.
Phone: 3834 3013

Please note our new e-mail addresses:
moyravertyparish@dromorediocese.org
seagoeparish@dromorediocese.org

PRECIOUS BLOOD OF JESUS

The month of July encourages us to devotion to the Precious Blood of Jesus. Blood is the symbol and essence of life. The blood that Jesus shed reminds us of his humanity; he bleeds like us. The blood he shed demonstrates the life he gave up so that we might live for ever. Here is what Scripture says about the blood of Christ: **His blood redeems us:** "For you know it was not with the perishable things such as silver or gold that you were redeemed...but with the precious blood of Christ" (1 Peter 1:18-19).

His blood brings us closer to God: "Now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near in the blood of Christ" (Eph 2:13).

His blood makes peace with God: "In [Christ] all the fullness of God was pleased...to reconcile to himself all things..., making peace by the blood of his cross" (Col 1:19-20).

His blood cleanses: No matter what sin we have committed, with repentance "the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin" (1 John 1:7).

His blood gives power over the devil: For all the reasons above, God's people triumph: "they have conquered [Satan] by the blood of the Lamb and by their testimony" (Rv 12:11).

Votive Mass in honour of the Precious Blood of Jesus will be celebrated on Monday 19 July at all Masses in St Anthony's and St Mary's.

STUDENT PLACEMENT

This Monday we welcome our seminarian to the parishes of Moyraverty and Seagoe for his summer pastoral placement. Anthony Moffett from Dromore is training for the priesthood for our diocese and has just completed his third year of studies in Maynooth. Anthony will be with us to gain experience for the next four weeks. Fáilte roimhe.

PARISH OFFICE HOLIDAYS

Parish office will be closed
from Monday 26 July - Friday 6 August.
Anniversaries up to and including Sunday 8 August should be in the parish office by noon on Thursday 22 July, in order to be included in Mass and the bulletin.

COVID-19 RESTRICTIONS

The Stormont Executive has issued indications for relaxing some Covid-19 measures in churches from Monday 26 July. These are due to be confirmed as definite on Thursday 22 July, and a further update will be in next weekend's bulletin.

In the meantime, keep up the good practice of wearing face coverings at all gatherings in church, good hand sanitising, keeping 2m social distance and get your vaccine.

As ever, **those displaying symptoms of Covid-19 should stay at home and arrange a test.**

SR ANNUNCIATA MCCLORY RIP

We were sorry to hear on Thursday morning that Sister Annunciata of the Convent of Mercy had been called home to the Lord after a period of recent declining health. Many parishioners will fondly remember Sr Annunciata as an integral part of the pastoral team in Moyraverty, living in the Sisters' house in Drumglass, serving the community with particular concern for struggling families and helping young parents to prepare for their children's baptism. She gave many years' service in St Anthony's church in the sacristy, liturgy team and pastoral council, and diligently worked to ensure the celebration of liturgy in the church brought the mysteries of God near to the congregation, and the people close to God. Even in her retirement to the Convent in Lurgan she was often seen out and about. We offer our sincere sympathies to her sister and brothers, and to her sisters in religion in the Convent of Mercy. In giving thanks for her long life and legacy of service here in Moyraverty, we pray she will find her rest and eternal reward in paradise with the Lord and St Anthony whom she loved. May she rest in peace.

MASS SCHEDULE

ST ANTHONY'S

Sunday	12:00noon
Monday	9:30am
	6:00pm
Tuesday - Saturday	9:30am
Saturday (vigil Mass for Sunday)	7.30pm

Confessions from 6:45pm-7:20pm on Saturdays

ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST, LYLO

Sundays	10:00am
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Places allocated on first come, first served basis

BAPTISM

We welcome

**Tristan Alan David McCord,
Carnreagh Park**

**Charlie Brendan Cassidy,
Carrigart Crescent**

**Frankie Dykes, Linen Fields
Caleb Aspell Terry, Clonmeen**
into our Christian community
following their recent baptisms.

VISITS TO HOUSEBOUND

Eucharistic ministers and clergy will resume visits to housebound parishioners with Holy Communion in the coming weeks for those who would like a visit. If you or a relative are housebound and would like a visit, please phone the parish office with your name, address and telephone number.

Any Eucharistic ministers who would like to restart the visits they undertook previously, please contact Fr Brian or the parish office.

THANK YOU

Thank you to all the parishioners of Moyraverty who donated towards a gift for Fr Juan's ordination. He was presented with a beautiful St Patrick chalice at Mass in Lylo last Sunday. It will always be a memento to him of his diaconate year with us.



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RECENTLY DECEASED

James McConnell, Ardowen
Sr Mary Annunciata McClory, Convent of Mercy

ANNIVERSARIES

Saturday 17 July

Sybil Alice Bourke,
Highfield/Cranny Road

Sunday 18 July

Emma Skelton, Westacres
Kate Toner, Altmore

Monday 19 July

Paul Murphy, Knocknamuckley

Tuesday 20 July

Joseph Nugent, formerly Ardowen

Thursday 22 July

Rose Fisher, Ardowen
Christine Donnelly, Kernan Park
Eileen Higgins, Ardowen
Thomas Higgins, Cumbria

Friday 23 July

Bernadette O'Reilly, Drumbeg South

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IRISH CATHOLIC

Copies of the Irish Catholic are available every weekend from the stand in St Anthony's porch. The cost is £2.20 per copy, and money for the newspaper should be placed in the large collection box in the church.

It is well worth the price of a cup of coffee, with news on the Church in Ireland and worldwide, current debates, opinion, and a book and media reviews.

**Wedding ring found in crying chapel.
Please call into sacristy
to identify and reclaim!**

PARISH OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Sunday 11 July £964.55

PARISH CENTRE

YOUNG KNIGHTS OF ST MICHAEL

The Young Knights group is taking a break for the summer and will resume in September. Stay safe in the sun!

BINGO

The Parish Bingo will be held every Tuesday at 8.15pm. Doors open @ 7.00pm.