Seagoe Parish

MASS SCHEDULE ST MARY'S DERRYTRASNA

Monday 10:30am Wednesday 7:00pm Saturday (vigil Mass for Sunday) 6:00pm * Confessions every Saturday: 5:30–5:50pm *

ST PATRICK'S AGHACOMMON

 Sunday
 11:00am

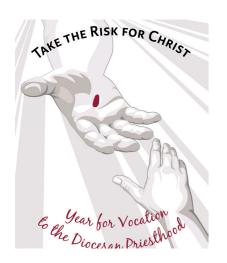
 Tuesday
 10:30am

 Thursday
 10:30am

 Friday
 7:00pm

PRAY FOR VOCATIONS

O Jesus, send labourers into your fields, which are awaiting holy apostles, saintly priests, heroic missionaries and dedicated sisters and brothers. Enkindle in the hearts of men and women the spark of a vocation. Grant that Christian families may desire to give your Church helpers in the work of tomorrow. AMEN



NATIONAL NOVENA AT KNOCK SHRINE

The National Novena to Our Lady of Knock offers you the opportunity to step away from everyday life and immerse yourself in prayer in the beautiful, peaceful grounds of Knock Shrine

Over the course of the nine-day Novena, we will hear from guest speakers each day who will offer insights on a variety of topics, from personal faith stories, to how we are responding to a changing world. You are invited to take this time to reflect and explore within yourself how to embrace the challenges we face in our faith. Our theme for this year is 'Caring for Creation'. Workshops will take place at 12 noon and daily walking tours (organised by Knock Museum) will take place at 10:30am throughout the Novena. The Family Day will take place on Sunday 20 August from 11:00am–3:00pm. See the full programme at www.knockshrine.ie.

PARISH OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS

Sunday 6 August £1068.60 Sunday 13 August £1391.95 Please make cheques payable to 'Seagoe Parish'.

We thank all our parishioners for their continued support and generosity.

ETERNAL REST

RECENTLY DECEASED

We offer our deepest sympathy and prayerful remembrance to the families of the following parishioner who died in recent days

Donal McConville, Charlestown Road

ANNIVERSARIES

Saturday 19 August

Seán Tighe, Innisfail Walk Teresa Donnelly, Pier Rampart Mary Austin, Hall Rampart Mary Breen, Pier Rampart Sadie Blaney, The Palms Deceased members of O'Neill family, Derryveen

Tuesday 22 August

Margaret Jane McConville, Kinnego Kitty Coleman, Charlestown Road

Wednesday 23 August

Hugh & Vera Skelton, Francis St., Lurgan

Friday 25 August

Peig & Ando Moriarty,
Aghacommon Embankment
Jim Downey, Aghacommon Grove

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



EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

This week: Guided adoration in St Mary's at 7:30pm on Wednesday 23 August. Benediction at 8:15pm.

St. Pius X, pope from 1903–1914, was a strong advocate for the reception of Holy Communion, encouraging all the faithful to receive the Eucharist as often as possible. In particular, he wrote in his decree Quam Singulari that everyone should receive Holy Communion more often, even daily if possible.

At the time, Catholics were accustomed to receiving Holy Communion only once a year. Very few would receive Holy Communion on a weekly basis, and typically only priests would receive on a daily basis. St. Pius X wished to correct this practice of abstaining.

Furthermore, St. Pius X used that same decree to lower the age of First Communion to the "age of reason," which typically is around seven years old, from the usual age of about 12 at the time.

He said, "Holy Communion is the shortest and safest way to Heaven. There are others: innocence, but that is for little children; penance, but we are afraid of it; generous endurance of trials of life, but when they come we weep and ask to be. The surest, easiest, shortest way is the Eucharist.

Once [and] for all beloved children, the surest, easiest, shortest way is by the Eucharist. It is so easy to approach the holy table, and there we taste the joys of Paradise."

Next week: Adoration in St Patrick's at 7:30pm on Friday 1
September, Benediction at 8:15pm.

ST RONAN'S PASTORAL AREA: comprising the parishes of Seagoe, Moyraverty,

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Lurgan and Magheralin

Sunday Bulletin

SUNDAY 20 AUGUST 2023 TWENTIETH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

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FEASTS OF THE WEEK

Mon 21 Aug St Pius X, pope

Tue 22 Aug Queenship of Mary, celebrates Mary's title as Queen of Heaven after her Assumption

Wed 23 Aug St Eugene/Eoghan, 6th-century bishop, patron of Derry

Thu 24 Aug St Bartholomew, apostle, martyr, patron of plasterers and leather workers.

PRAYER AFTER EXAM RESULTS

Lord, I have done my best, now I lay these exams and the results at the foot of the Cross.

Thank you that this is a place of grace, where I can find my rest.

Thank you that I am safe beside you, Jesus, that you are with me no matter what lies ahead.

Thank you that I travel with you, always present, and live in your blessings. Amen.

SUPPORT YOUR PARISH

If you prefer cashless, please use the QR code to give to your parish funds or support your priests once-off or monthly. Open the camera on your phone, and point it at the code below for a link to the donation site. Thank you for your kind contribution.



MARY, QUEEN OF HEAVEN



After celebrating Mary's assumption body and soul into heaven last week, thoughts turn to Mary's place and role in the heavenly court, and since the sixth century, Mary has been considered Queen of Heaven. In 1946, Pope Pius XII explained how this might be:

- 1) by relationship to Jesus, who is King of heaven by nature as God.
- 2) by grace of God. Mary is 'full of grace', as full as any human creature can be.
- 3) by choice of the Father.

The beginning of the concept that Mary is a Queen is found at the Annunciation, for the angel Gabriel tells her that her Son will be King over the house of Jacob forever.

In the Jewish culture, a king of the line of David would have his mother as Queen rather than his wife, because he rarely had one wife, but many, usually from neighbouring kingdoms. These women might hold conflicting loyalties to their husband or to their homeland. For the king to share power with many wives would be much too difficult, but he had only one mother whose loyalty to him was unquestioned, and she was given the title of Queen Mother.

The Queen Mother was the most influential woman of the royal court, more so than the king's wives. She wore a crown, sat on a throne, and shared in the king's reign. She acted as adviser to her son, spoke up for the people, and brought their needs to the king's attention. Since Jesus is a King from the House of David, it makes sense that his mother would be called Oueen.

LOUGH DERG ~ VOCATIONS CAMINO

On Saturday 26 August, there will be a short 8km camino walk along the Lough Derg Pilgrim Path.

Pilgrims are asked to arrive at 10:30am for check-in at the visitor centre.

The walk will include (weather permitting) an open-air Mass at a Mass rock.

After the walk, the pilgrims will visit the island where they will receive soup and sandwiches. Booking for this is essential and can be done by contacting the Lough Derg Office (phone 00353 71 9861518) or visiting their website: www.loughderg.org/vocations-camino

MARIE CURIE

Marie Curie will be holding their Annual Street Collection in Lurgan town Centre on Friday 1st September. If anyone could spare 2 hours to take part please contact Phil Kane (community fundraiser) on 07920245442.

Moyraverty Parish

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 6:45pm-7:20pm on Saturdays

ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST, LYLO

Sundays

WALK THE CROSS 14-16 September

A call to Ireland to pick up the cross, calling all men and women from the four provinces to walk 33 miles over 3 days. Four provinces will carry a piece of the cross and meet in the centre of Ireland at Clonmacnois. There the cross will be assembled and exalted.

In Clonmacnois on Saturday 16 September there will be talks, confession, concelebrated Holy Mass and Benediction.

This event will unite Ireland as Matthew, Mark, Luke and John united to tell the Good News of the birth, life, death and Resurrection of Jesus Christ the Lord. We will also honour the saints and scholars whose blood and example fertilised the soil for the times we live in.

Be part of something special! All are welcome — register your interest by e-mailing walkthecross33@gmail.com.

LISMORE COLLEGE

Students and staff are looking forward excitedly to entering the doors of their new school. To help orient pupils in the new building, all pupils will have an induction session in school prior to their beginning Term 1.

Please see induction dates and times below. Relevant families will be receiving a detailed letter about the return to school.

Wednesday 30 August Year 13: 9:05am-12:30pm Year 14: 9:05am-3:00pm

Monday 4 September m–12:30pm Year 9: 9:05am–12:30pm m–3:00pm Year 11: 9:05am–3:25pm

Thursday 31 August Year 8: 9:05am–3:25pm Friday 1 September

Tuesday 5 September Year 10: 9:05am–12:30pn Year 12: 9:05am–12:30pn

Year 8: 9:05am–3:25pm

MUSIC MINISTRY IN ST ANTHONY'S

7:30pm Vigil Mass:

St. Anthony's Church Choir will return to Mass on Saturday 2nd September at 7.30pm. Choir practices will resume on Tuesday 5th September at 7.30pm in the church. New members will be very welcome.

12 noon Sunday Mass:

If you are interested in helping with the music at our 12 noon Sunday Mass (either through singing or playing an instrument) please speak to Conor, St. Anthony's Church Organist.

"I will sing to the Lord, glorious his triumph." (Ex 15:1).

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Stanley Smith, Lurgan

ANNIVERSARIES

Sunday 20 August

Charlie McNamee, Castlederg Michael Duggan, Meadowbrook Sabina Duggan, Hill Street, formerly Meadowbrook Dolores McConville, Drumbeg

Monday 21 August

Ann Patricia Lagan, Garland Crescent

Michael Flynn, Garrymore

Tuesday 22 August

Jimmy Skelton, Westacres Colum McGarry, Laurencetown

Thursday 24 August

Hugh Hughes, Drumbeg

Friday 25 August

Daniel (Danny) Campbell, Drumgor Park

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BAPTISM

We rejoice with the families of **Robert Wesley Pentland,** Kernan Hill Manor

Amelia Elise Jiao, Kernan Hill Manor at their recent birth to eternal life in the sacrament of baptism.

HELP FOR HEARING

The hearing loop in St Anthony's has been repaired. To avail of better sound, switch your hearing aid to the 'T' position while in the church.



BIBLE MEETING

Bible meeting in St Anthony's Parish Centre in the Upper Room, every Thursday evening at 8pm sharp. Commencing Thursday September. Everyone welcome!

PARISH OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS

Sunday 6 August £1078.76 Sunday 13 August £954.66 Please make all cheques payable to 'Moyraverty Parish'.

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