Seagoe Parish

MASS SCHEDULE St Patrick's Aghacommon

Sunday 11:00am
Tuesday 10:30am
Thursday 10:30am
Friday 7:00pm
Confessions every Friday 6:30–6:50pm

St Mary's Derrytrasna

Monday 10:30am Wednesday 7.00pm Saturdays (vigil Mass for Sunday) 6:00pm Confessions every Saturday 5:30–5:50pm

.EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

This week: Adoration in St Patrick's on Friday 31 January at 7:30pm, concluding with Benediction at 8:15pm.

St Thomas Aquinas, the great Doctor of the Church who did so much to promote love and adoration for the Eucharist in the Middle Ages, gave this wonderful reflection beginning from the biology of eating food.

"Material food first changes into the one who eats it, and then, as a consequence, restores to him lost strength and increases his vitality. Spiritual food, on the other hand, changes the person who eats it into itself. Thus the effect proper to this Sacrament is the conversion of a person into Christ, so that he may no longer live, but Christ lives in him; consequently, it has the double effect of restoring the spiritual strength he had lost by his sins and defects, and of increasing the strength of his virtues."

Next week: Rosary and adoration in St Mary's on Wednesday 5 February at 7:30pm, concluding with Benediction at 8:15pm.

2025 DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES

This year's Dromore Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes will depart on 9th June 2025.

Any Seagoe Parishioner wishing to be considered as an Assisted Pilgrim should contact Brenda McKernan (07811407587) or Andrea Judge (07930503713).

REMEMBER YOUR LOVED ONES

With a personalised Engraved Leaf on the Southern Area Hospice Memory Tree.

The Memory Tree is located in the Southern Area Hospice Memory Garden and provides a beautiful and meaningful way to remember a loved one whilst also helping the Hospice to continue delivering specialist palliative care to patients and support to their families. Call Katie or Aisling on 028 3026 7711 for further information or visit https://www.southernareahospiceservices.org/memory-tree

PARISH OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Sunday 19 January £1117.76 Please make cheques payable to 'Seagoe Parish'.

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

ANNIVERSARIES Sunday 26 January

Noel & Maura Hoy, Derrymacash Road

Monday 27 January

Roisin McShane, Tannaghmore West

Thursday 30 January
Month's Mind Mary McCarron, Clonmeen

Friday 31 January

Month's Mind Daniel Hogan, Charlestown Road Bridget Mackle, The Palms

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

BAPTISM BOOKINGS

Baptisms in our parishes are held as follows: St Anthony's each Sunday at 1:00pm (except the fifth Sunday when it occurs).

St Mary's on the 1st Sunday of each month at 12:00 noon.

St Patrick's on the 2nd and 4th Sundays at 12:00 noon.

Places are limited and so you are advised to book your date in advance of any other bookings (meals/flights, etc.) to avoid disappointment.

There are no Saturday baptisms in either parish at this time.

KNOCK PILGRIMAGE For adults, 8 and 9 February

Overnight accommodation in St Mary's (beside shrine), Saturday evening meal and B&B included. Transport from Newry, Banbridge and Lurgan. All for £145 per person; will also include morning tea/coffee and scones en route. To secure your place email youthdirector@dromorediocese.org or phone 028 30833898



PRAYER TO ST BRIGID

A Naomh Bríd, Mary of the Gael, you were a woman of peace. You brought harmony where there was conflict.

You brought light to the darkness.
You brought hope to the downcast.
May the mantle of your peace cover those
who are troubled and anxious,
and may peace be firmly rooted in our
hearts and in our world.
Inspire us to act justly and to reverence all

God has made.

St Brigid, you were a voice for the wounded

and the weary.
Strengthen what is weak within us.
Calm us into a quietness that heals and
listens.

May we grow each day into greater wholeness in mind, body and spirit.

Amen.

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

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Lurgan and Magheralin

Sunday Bulletin

SUNDAY 26 JANUARY 2025 THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME | VI SUNDAY OF THE WORD OF GOD

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In any emergency, please phone the parochial house 24/7 on 028 3834 1901

FEASTS OF THE WEEK

Tue 28 Jan St Thomas Aquinas, Dominican priest, one of the greatest theologians, patron of students, schools and universities

Thu 30 Jan St Aidan, monk, later bishop, founder of monasteries, patron of Ferns (Wexford)

Fri 31 Jan St John Bosco, *priest* dedicated to education of children, founder of Salesians. Patron of youth.

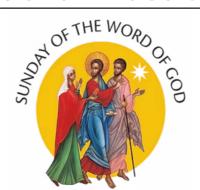
Sat 1 Feb St Brigid, born in Louth, eminent superior of religious sisters in Kildare. Patroness of Ireland.

CHILD SAFEGUARDING

The Diocesan Safeguarding team has arranged for a Safeguarding Refresher Training session to be held in St Anthony's Parish Centre, Moyraverty on **Tuesday 4th February at 7:30pm.**

Attendance is required for volunteers already working in ministries with children (choir/ altar servers/children's liturgy/youth ministry

etc) to update their training. Any other parishioner interested in volunteering may find it informative and useful and will be very welcome to attend.



"I hope in your word." (Psalm 119:74)

I hope in your word is a cry of hope: the psalmist, in a moment of anguish, tribulation, and confusion, cries out to God and puts all his hope in him. It is a deeply human experience, as is usually found in the Book of Psalms. Everyone hopes, we all have hopes, but what is communicated to us in this Jubilee is a "Hope," in the singular. It is not an abstract idea or naïve optimism, but a person, alive and present in everyone's life: Christ crucified and risen, the only one who never abandons us. St Paul's theology is extremely clear on this point: "Christ Jesus our hope." (1Tim. 1:1).

The hope that flows from this Word arises from the assurance of faith and entrusts us to God's love, who never contradicts himself or the promises he made. A jubilee that knocks on the door every 25 years and prompts us to take life seriously, offers the opportunity to keep our eyes fixed on the hope that the truth of the Gospel brings.

The Sunday of the Word of God once again allows Christians to reinvigorate Jesus' persistent invitation to listen to and cherish his word in order to offer the world a witness of hope that allows one to move beyond the difficulties of the present moment. The Word of God is not confined to a book, but remains ever alive and becomes a concrete and tangible sign. In fact, it challenges every community not only to proclaim the same faith as always, but above all to communicate it with the conviction that it brings hope to those who listen to it and welcome it with a simple heart.

Remember St Jerome's words: Ignorance of Scripture is ignorance of Christ.

CANDLEMAS

Next Sunday will be the feast of the Presentation of the Lord when candles are blessed for use in the home. Any parishioners wishing to have candles blessed should bring them to Sunday Mass in any of our churches. A limited supply of blessed candles will also be provided in the churches.

Moyraverty Parish

MASS SCHEDULE

St Anthony's

Sunday 12:00noon Monday–Saturday 9:30am Mondays 6:00pm Saturday (vigil Mass for Sunday) Confessions

From 6:45pm-7:20pm on Saturdays

St John the Evangelist, Lylo

Sunday 10:00am

MASS IN IRISH

Will be celebrated in the Adoration Chapel, Edward Street, on Tuesday 28 January this week at 8:00pm. Fáilte roimh cách. All welcome.

FIRST COMMUNION CANDIDATES

Parents of children in Primary 4 who are due to receive First Holy Communion in 2025 but who are not yet baptised should contact the parish office as soon as possible to arrange your child's baptism.

First Communion cannot go ahead otherwise, since Baptism is essential prior to any other sacraments being administered.

ÉIRE ÓG

Éire Óg Golden Years Weekly Drop-In Social Morning. *New revised time* Every Wednesday 10am-1pm at Éire Óg Social Club. Enjoy some friendly chat, laughter, and a cuppa. It's a great opportunity to make new social connections. Everyone is welcome.

NEIL & CORA'S FUNDRAISERS In Aid of Angel Wishes (a Children's Cancer Charity)

In Eire Og. Sunday 2 February Coffee Morning 10am -1pm. Saturday 8 February 80's Night with DJ Bob, 8.30pm -late, £10, pay at door. Raffle on night.

BETTER TOGETHER GROUP

Next meeting Sunday 2nd February 3.00pm - 5 30pm in The Hub Brownlow Road Craigavon.

EUCHARISTIC PROCESSION On the Feast of St Brigid

You are invited to join us in a Eucharistic Procession and Benediction in the grounds of St Paul's Church, Lurgan on Saturday 1 February. This will be led by Fr Kingsley and will unite with the processions in Derry, Medjugorge and throughout the world. The procession will start at 11.30am after the morning Mass & Rosary. If it is raining it will

COUNTRY MUSIC NIGHT

In Aid of Air Ambulance Northern Ireland

be inside the Church. All are welcome.

Compered by Hugo Duncan and featuring Tony Allen/ Johnny Brook/ Boxcar Brian and many more...Friday 21 February in Ashburn Hotel, doors open 8pm, show 9pm. Tickets available from Ashburn Hotel, Pat O'Hagan (07515713495) or pay at door.

RECENTLY DECEASED

We offer our deepest sympathy and prayerful remembrance to the to the grieving relatives of the following parishioners and people in other parishes who died in recent days

Mary McAlinden, Ashwood

ANNIVERSARIES

Saturday 25 January

Ann McEvoy, Lismara Margaret McGlade, Lismara Patrick (Jack) Kearns, Clonmeen

Sunday 26 January

Month's Mind Pat Morris, Strabane Mary & Willie Smyth, Garrymore Mary Burns, Drumbeg Kathleen Madill, Meadowbrook Mary Magee, Lurgan Anne Neeson, Lakelands

Imelda Fearnon Gerald John McEvoy, Meadowbrook Anna & Johnny Woods, Pinebank Francie Duffy, Drumbeg North Margaret Duffy, Drumbeg North

Monday 27 January

Rosaleen McCrory, Donaghmore Edmund McCrory, Donaghmore Josie Corvan, Pinebank Mary O'Neill, Derryvore Lane

Thursday 30 January

Month's Mind Mary McCarron, Clonmeen John O'Hare, Drumbeg North Thomas McConville, Rowan Manor

Friday 31 January

Margaret Close, Drumbeg North Jean Halfpenny, Drumbeg Joe Halfpenny, Altmore

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BAPTISMS

We rejoice with the families of Josephine Teresa McKeown, The Olde Nursery, Bleary

Ruán Thomas McCaughley, Boconnel Court at their recent birth to eternal life in the sacrament of baptism.

CASHLESS DONATION POINT

We have a new card reader installed in St Anthony's Church porch for anyone who is caught without cash but wishes to make a contribution by card/phone for the collection basket, for candles or shrines.

Simply CHOOSE/enter the amount you wish

to donate,
TAP your contactless card/phone.....and
vou're DONE.

There is also a one-off option to Gift Aid your donation if you are a taxpayer.

Thank you sincerely for your support to the parish.

PARISH OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Sunday 19 January £1600.53 Please make all cheques payable to 'Moyraverty Parish'.

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