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 14 February from 7:30pm, until close with Benediction at 8:15pm.

The Eucharist and Lourdes

Don't shout about it, but the "secret of Lourdes is the Eucharist," the renowned shrine's chief medical officer says.

"The fabulous part of Lourdes is that we are invited, convened (here) by our Blessed Mother, but we end up discovering and possibly making friends with Jesus Christ, who is very present in Lourdes," said Dr. Alessandro de Franciscis, president of the Lourdes Office of Medical Observations, a post he has held since 2009.

Lourdes is "a place of joy" in which pilgrims feel welcome, no matter their condition, said de Franciscis — and the shrine's daily processions, Masses and times of Eucharistic adoration are the reason, he added.

With millions encountering Christ in the Eucharist at Lourdes, "perhaps (even) only just a few minutes," the reason for Mary's apparitions become clear, said de Franciscis. "I believe there is the True Presence of Jesus, true man and true God, the real physical Presence of Jesus in that piece of bread," he said. "This is a miracle that we believe in the Catholic Church. I think this is the essence of the reason why she appeared. It's to encourage us, as a mother would do with her children, to go back to Jesus, to become friends with Jesus her Son."

Next week: Rosary and adoration in St Mary's from 7:30pm, ending 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).

PARISH OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Sunday 2 February £1392.63 Please make cheques payable to 'Seagoe Parish'.

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

T 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.

Ann McConville, (née Coleman) Charlestown Road John Cassidy, Derrytrasna Road

ANNIVERSARIES

Saturday 8 February

Patrick O'Hagan, Charlestown Road Bridie & Hugh McCaughley, Derrytrasna Road Tony McCann, Derrytrasna Park

Sunday 9 February

Damian Lyness, Kilvergan Road Anita Ferris, Belvedere Park Eunice Brown, Derryloiste & The Oaks Sinead Magee, Millbrook Court

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

BAPTISMS

We rejoice with the families of Pádraic Joseph Marshall, Ardmore Road Mary May Rice, Church Brae at their recent birth to eternal life in the sacrament of baptism

DIVINE MERCY CONFERENCE, DUBLIN

Saturday, 22nd February - Bus leaving St Paul's Chapel, Francis Street, Lurgan at 7.30am, calling in Laurencetown (Tucker's garage) and St Thérèse's Church, Banbridge. Returning home after the night programme at 8.15pm sharp. Bus will stop in Banbridge, Laurencetown and Lurgan. Cost of the bus is £20, which must be paid in full before Friday 14th February 2025 to the Divine Mercy Shop, William Street, Lurgan (beside Spar). Entry to the Conference is 35 Euro, which should also be left in the Divine Mercy Shop before 14th February. You are encouraged to bring a packed lunch and snacks. Food, tea and coffee are available at the Conference, however there will be long queues at these. Any further gueries, please contact: Mary Austin 077 1853 1096 or Sarah McCann 077 0642 3736.

YOUNG ADULTS' GATHERING Residential experience 22–23 February

Are you 18 to 30ish? This is a great opportunity to grow in faith and meet likeminded people at a great social event with a little challenge, occasional prayer, and a lot of laughs – for more information, email Frances on youthdirector@dromorediocese. org You can collect a booking form from the Moyraverty/Seagoe parish office (call in, or e-mail request). £60 will cover food, accommodation and activities. Final names are needed for Tuesday 18 February.

ST RONAN'S PASTORAL AREA:

comprising the parishes of Seagoe, Moyraverty, Lurgan and Magheralin

Sunday Bulletin

SUNDAY 9 FEBRUARY 2025 FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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

FEASTS OF THE WEEK

Mon 10 Feb St Scholastica, early pioneer of consecrated life for women. Sister of St Benedict.

Tue 11 Feb Our Lady of Lourdes, date of the first apparition in 1858. Day of prayer for the sick.

Fri 14 Feb Ss Cyril, monk, & Methodius, bishop. Brought the gospel to the Slavonic peoples in their own language. Patrons of Europe.

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.

POPE'S INTENTION

This month the Holy Father's intention concerns the Church at large. We are invited to join him in his prayer for February:

For vocations to the priesthood and religious life

Let us pray that the ecclesial community might welcome the desires and doubts of those young people who feel a call to serve Christ's mission in the priesthood and religious life.



"Hope does not disappoint", but strengthens us in time of trial.

Pope Francis makes these points in his message for World Day of the Sick 2025:
"God remains close to those who are suffering

"God remains close to those who are suffering in three particular ways: through encounter, gift and sharing.

1. Encounter. When Jesus sent the seventy-two disciples out on mission (cf. Lk 10:1-9), he told them to proclaim to the sick: "The kingdom of God has come near to you" (v. 9). In times of illness, we sense our human frailty on the physical, psychological and spiritual levels. Yet we also experience the closeness and compassion of God, who, in Jesus, shared in our human suffering. God does not abandon us and often amazes us by granting us a strength that we never expected, and would never have found on our own.

2. Gift. More than anything else, suffering makes us aware that hope comes from the Lord. It is thus, first and foremost, a gift to be received and cultivated, by remaining "faithful to the faithfulness of God". The risen Lord goes so far as to walk beside us as our companion on the way, even as he did with the disciples on the road to Emmaus (cf. Lk 24:13-53). Like them, we can share with him our anxieties, concerns and disappointments, and listen to his word, which enlightens us and warms our hearts.

3. Sharing. Places of suffering are frequently also places of sharing and mutual enrichment. How often, at the bedside of the sick, do we learn to hope! How often, by our closeness to those who suffer, do we learn to have faith! How often, when we care for those in need, do we discover love! We need to learn how to cherish the gentle smile of a nurse, the gratitude and trust of a patient, the caring face of a doctor or volunteer, or the anxious and expectant look of a spouse, a child, a grandchild or a dear friend. All these are rays of light to be treasured; even amid the dark night of adversity, they give us strength, while at the same time teaching us the deeper meaning of life, in love and closeness.

I remember you always in my prayers. I entrust you to Our Lady, Health of the Sick. I ask you, please, not to forget to pray for me."

Moyraverty Parish

MASS SCHEDULE

St Anthony's
Sunday 12:00noon
Monday–Saturday 9:30am
Mondays 6:00pm
Saturday (vigil Mass for Sunday) 7:30pm

Confessions From 6:45pm–7:20pm on Saturdays

St John the Evangelist, Lylo

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WELCOME

Congratulation to Cameron Le Fouler who was admitted to the catechumenate last Monday, formally beginning his pathway to baptism at Easter. A catechumen is someone who has declared their intention to become a member of the Church. God showers his grace on the catechumen, since the admission to catechumenate marks his first consecration by the Church. From this time on the Church embraces the catechumen as her own with a mother's love and concern. Joined to the Church, the catechumens are now part of the household of Christ, since the Church nourishes them by means of God's word in the Bible and by means of anointing and other sacramentals. Please keep Cameron, and catechumens around the world, in your prayers.

DROMORE DIOCESAN HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Monday 10th February 2025: @ 8:00pm
The Society will host an online lecture by
Geoff Cobb entitled "The History of St
Patrick's Day parades in New York".

We are delighted to welcome back our New York contributor. Geoff Cobb.

Geoff, the author of four books on Brooklyn history, and a 2021 publication entitled, "The Irish in New York: Profiles of New Yorkers who have Shaped the Empire State", is vice president for local history for the New York Irish HistoryRound Table and a regular contributor to Irish America magazine.The ZOOM room will open at 7:45pm. The talk will start at 8:00pm sharp.A link to the talk can be obtained by e-mailing the Hon Secretary goss.jjm@gmail.com and will be forwarded on Monday February 10th

ASSISTED PILGRIMS FORM FOR A PLACE TO TRAVEL ON THE 2025 PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES

We are now taking applications for Sick places to travel on the 9th – 13th June 2025 to Lourdes.

Please complete form below and return as soon as possible to:

MOYRAVERTY: J. Ormsby, 206 Drumgor Park

Y	our Name:
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Liam Nolan, Newry, formerly Clonmeen Patrick (Paddy) Cullen, Garrymore Mairead Murphy, Rostrevor

ANNIVERSARIES Saturday 8 February

Month's Mind Thomas Gerry McCann, Meadowbrook

John O'Connor, Pinebank Jonathan Roberts, Silverwood Leaves/ Larkfield Meadows

Pamela Haughian, Moyraverty Court Seamus Magill, Moylinn

Sunday 9 February

Annie Morris, Meadowbrook Patricia Cassidy, Drumbeg Frank & Alice Hendron, Ardowen

Monday 10 February

Laurence Gillespie, Garrymore
Tuesday 11 February
Kevin Brady, Drumbeg South
Wednesday 12 February
Francis O'Neill, Craigavon
Mary McGibbon, Clonmeen

Thursday 13 February

Muriel & Sean Campbell, Clonmeen

Friday 14 February

Teresa Cowan, Derryvore Lane Barney Fenton, Garrymore Annie & Daniel O'Neill, Derryvore Please leave your requests for Anniversaries or Month's Mind into the Parish Office on or before 12 noon on Thursday if they are to be included in the Bulletin. The minimum Diocesan stipend is £10. Anniversaries can be booked in advance.

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

DROMORE DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES 9-14 June -2025

Cost £850.00. Details to follow. To secure a place we will require a deposit of £150.00 payable to J. Ormsby, 206 Drumgor Park, Craigavon, BT65 4AH, or pay at Parish office.

COUNTRY MUSIC NIGHT In Aid of Air Ambulance Northern Ireland

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.

PARISH OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Sunday 2 February £1456.11
Please make all cheques payable to
'Moyraverty Parish'.

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