

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	

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

This week: Adoration in St Patrick's on Friday 17 January at 7:30pm, finishing with Benediction at 8:15pm.

St Hilary of Poitiers (circa AD 310–367), makes clear that Jesus' words in the famous 'Bread of Life' discourse of John 6 were given a very realistic interpretation in the 2nd century, the era immediately following the New Testament period: in the sacrament of the Eucharist (Holy Communion) we truly eat his flesh and drink his blood. His Real Presence is totally connected with the mystery of his Incarnation: the Christmas mystery. When the Son of God became human, he actually clothed himself in our flesh, uniting it to himself forever. In the sacrament of the Eucharist he actually gives us his own flesh, which he has united to his divinity. He is in us through his flesh and we are in him.

Christ himself bore witness to the reality of this unity when he said: "He who eats my flesh and drinks my blood lives in me and I in him" (Jn 6:56). We draw life from his flesh just as he draws life from the Father.

Next week: *Rosary and adoration in St Mary's on Wednesday 22 January at 7:30pm, finishing with Benediction at 8:15pm.*

THANK YOU FROM SVP

The Holy Family Conference (Seagoe) of the Society of St Vincent de Paul wishes to acknowledge with sincere thanks the generosity of Parishioners and others who contributed to the 2024 Christmas Appeal. The Annual Appeal Collection after Masses on the weekend of 8/9 December raised a total of £2,363.57 and, over the rest of the Christmas period, a further £3,226.69 was donated by individuals, families, and organisations including the 2 Primary Schools in the Parish—a grand total of £5,590.26. We have been overwhelmed by your response to our Appeal at a time when there are so many other demands on personal finances. Thank you for your continuing generosity not only to the Christmas Appeal but also for your ongoing benevolence throughout each year. We wish you all the rewards of your generosity and extend to you our Good Wishes for Health, Happiness and Prosperity in 2025. THANK YOU

PARISH OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Sunday 5 January £1624.76
Please make cheques payable to 'Seagoe Parish.'

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

† 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.

Daniel Hogan, Charlestown Road
Eliza Scullion, formerly Banbridge

ANNIVERSARIES

Saturday 11 January

Felix John Donnelly, Foxgrove
Dympna Reynolds, Kinnego
Daniel & Margaret McAlinden,
Loughview Terrace

Cassie-Ann McGeown & James McGeown,
Derrytrasna Lane

Sunday 12 January

John McCarron, Island View, Kinnego
John Anthony Kane, Ballinry North Road

Tuesday 14 January

Brigid Donnelly, Charlestown Road
Charlie McShane, Charlestown Road
Maureen McCaughley, Kilvergan Road
Maureen Kearns, Charlestown Road

Wednesday 15 January

Month's Mind Ita Hall, Derrytrasna Park
Charles & Margaret Byrne, Derrytagh South

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

GIFT FROM FR COLUM MURPHY

At the 6pm Mass in St Mary's Derrytrasna this weekend (11/12 January), Fr Colum will be back with us to celebrate the Sunday Mass, during which he will present a gift of a crucifix to St Mary's which he here describes:

To the people of Seagoe Parish,

This cross was made by my Grandfather, Matt Murphy, Rostrevor, around the 1940s. The figure of Christ was discarded from a convent that had closed and so to salvage it, as a carpenter, he made the cross and attached the figure to it so that it may be of use again. It was in his house for many years until he died in 1977, and it then passed to my aunt and was in her house in Omagh. A couple of years ago she then passed it on to me so that it might find a place of honour and may be used in some way that might remember him and glorify God. With that in mind I wish to gift this Crucifix to Seagoe Parish, to be used as you might see fit, as an acknowledgment of the love, support and generosity shown to me in my time here as Curate in this Parish.

Wherever this may find a place and use then all I ask is that you remember my family in your prayers, and please know that this link, that we will share for many years, means that my family will also be praying for you all.

Yours in Christ,
Colum Murphy

ST RONAN'S PASTORAL AREA:

comprising the parishes of Seagoe, Moyraverty, Lurgan and Magheralin

Sunday Bulletin

SUNDAY 12 JANUARY 2025 THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

TELEPHONE NUMBERS

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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

FEASTS OF THE WEEK

Mon 13 Jan St Hilary, 4th c. bishop, doctor of the Church for his teaching on the divinity of Christ.

Wed 15 Jan St Ita, aka Deirdre, nun, miracle-worker, foster mother of the saints of Ireland.

Fri 17 Jan St Anthony, Egyptian abbot. Father of monasticism.

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.

POPE'S INTENTION

It's a new month and a new year, and each month the Holy Father asks us to joining him in a prayer intention for the needs of the Church and world. So please remember in your prayers:

The right to an education.

Let us pray for migrants, refugees, and those affected by war, that their right to an education, which is necessary to build a better world, might always be respected.

INDULGENCES IN THE JUBILEE YEAR 2025

"Now the time has come for a new Jubilee, when once more the Holy Door will be flung open to invite everyone to an intense experience of the love of God" (Pope Francis, *Spes non confundit*, 6).

One of the great graces of the Jubilee Year lies in the opportunity it presents us for starting afresh, for conversion and restoration of our relationship with God. God is his mercy wants to forgive our sins. The Jubilee Year provides us with opportunities to be free from the consequences of sin—past and present—which leave a mark on our lives. The Jubilee indulgence is offered to remove the punishments due to our having sinned and wounded our relationship with God. It is a way for us to begin afresh and restore our communion with God. We can also obtain the indulgence on behalf of the souls in purgatory. The first step in obtaining the Jubilee indulgence is a desire for repentance and conversion. We undertake to detach our lives from sin—even venial sins.

Secondly, as "pilgrims of hope" during this Holy Year, we undertake to receive devoutly the Sacrament of Penance and Holy Communion, and to pray for the Pope's intentions in one of the following ways:

1. By pilgrimage or visit to any sacred Jubilee site in Rome, or the Holy Land;

or to one of Ireland's National Pilgrimages at Knock, Lough Derg or Croagh Patrick; or to a designated local Jubilee Church—the **Cathedral of St Patrick and St Colman, Newry**; St Patrick's Cathedral, Armagh; or St Peter's Church, Drogheda; or to a similarly designated Jubilee site in another diocese.

In each case we participate in the organised pilgrimage exercises, or make a "Jubilee visit", consisting of engaging in Eucharistic adoration, meditation and prayer, concluding with the Our Father, the Profession of Faith (Creed) and invocations to Mary, the Mother of God.

Note: Those who, for reasons of sickness, age, vital work or other reasons, cannot make such a pilgrimage visit, may obtain the Jubilee indulgence by uniting from their homes and offering up their sufferings or hardships in spirit with the faithful taking part in person.

2. By works of mercy and penance
Visit someone in need or in difficulty (the sick, prisoners, lonely, elderly people, disabled people...)

Dedicate Friday fasting or abstinence.

Support the defence and protection of life in all its phases; the cause of abandoned children, young people in difficulty, the needy or lonely elderly people, or migrants; volunteer in the community; make a charitable donation for the poor. Participate in popular missions, spiritual exercises, or formation activities on the documents of the Second Vatican Council and the Catechism of the Catholic Church, held in a church or other suitable place.

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

Sunday	10:00am
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THE JUBILEE PRAYER



Father in heaven,
may the faith you have given us
in your Son, Jesus Christ, our brother,
and the flame of charity enkindled
in our hearts by the Holy Spirit,
reawaken in us the blessed hope
for the coming of your Kingdom.

May your grace transform us
into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the
Gospel.

May those seeds transform from within both
humanity and the whole cosmos
in the sure expectation
of a new heaven and a new earth,
when, with the powers of Evil vanquished,
your glory will shine eternally.

May the grace of the Jubilee
reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope,
a yearning for the treasures of heaven.

May that same grace spread
the joy and peace of our Redeemer
throughout the earth.

To you our God, eternally blessed,
be glory and praise for ever. Amen

Franciscus

DROMORE DIOCESAN HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Monday 20 January 2025 at 7:30pm in Banbridge Parish Centre.

To mark the Jubilee Year 2025 "Pilgrims of Hope" the Society's first event of its new programme is a talk by James Doran entitled "*Journey to God through Rome: the shaping of the 'modern' Jubilee Year experience.*"

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.

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Elizabeth Bates, Ardowen
Brian (Barney) McAreavey, Clonmeen
Bobbie McVeigh, Drumbeg
Francis Mullin, Kernan Hill Manor
Mary Rogers, Drumbeg
Thomas Gerald (Gerry) McCann,
Meadowbrook
William (Billy) Doherty, Lurgan, formerly Lylo

ANNIVERSARIES

Saturday 11 January

Month's Mind Betty Morgan, Ardowen

Margaret & Patrick Flynn, Lylo

Eddie Lavery, Lurgan

Edward Farrell, Garrymore

James & Sadie Farrell, Tyrone

Sunday 12 January

Patrick Richardson, Clanrolla Park

Susan & Edward Fearnon, Derryinver

Felix Headley, Drumbeg South

Monday 13 January

Eileen McGinity, Drumglass

Tuesday 14 January

Johnny McConville, Lylo

Wednesday 15 January

Jim Prunty, Drumbeg North

Liam McGeown, Meadowbrook

Thursday 16 January

Stephen McCusker, Drumellan Court
Pat McConville, Lylo

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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 you'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 5 January £1164.68

Please make all cheques payable to 'Moyraverty Parish.'

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