# Parish Bulletin

— SUNDAY 31 MAY 2020 —

#### PENTECOST SUNDAY

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We have no public Mass at this time but the Priests of the Parish will offer daily Mass for the Anniversaries as listed below.

#### **ANNIVERSARIES**

Saturday 30 May ST ANTHONY'S

Elizabeth Morris, Clonmeen

#### **ST PATRICK'S**

Eva Doyle' Lurgan Agnes & Thomas Doyle, Lurgan.

Sunday 31 May

ST MARY'S

Olive McGeown Vincent McGeown

Wednesday 3 June

ST ANTHONY'S

Lily Donnelly, Belfast

Friday 5 June ST ANTHONY'S

Anne Mullanev

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.

#### **PARISH OFFICE**

The parish office will reopen to the public from **Monday 1 June**. Office hours will be

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday 9:00am-2:00pm.

The office is located at 10 Tullygally Road, Legahory. Our phone number is **3834 3013**, and our e-mail is **movraverty@hotmail.com** or **seagoercchurch@hotmailcom**.

We welcome back Mary, our parish secretary, who will be happy to answer queries and accept anniversaries, envelopes and Trócaire boxes again in person. Social distancing measures apply in the parish office.

### AVAILABILITY OF MASSES VIA WEBCAMS

The following Churches in the Diocese of Dromore have facilities to broadcast Mass via the web.

Lurgan Parish (St Peter's/St Paul's)

www.lurganparish.com

**Newry Parish** 

www.newry cathedral parish.org

#### **OFFERTORY COLLECTION ENVELOPES**

Offertory Collection Envelopes for the current year are available for collection from the back of St Anthony's Church (this includes St John's envelopes) and in Seagoe Parish from St Patrick's Church. Envelopes will be available from St Mary's next weekend.

#### **OFFERTORY ONLINE**

We are now also pleased to offer an online alternative to the envelopes. If you are earning and can make a contribution to your parish and clergy, you may now do so via the diocesan website. Just go to **www.dromorediocese.org** and click on **DONATE** on the home page. You then select your own parish, and choose either a one-off or monthly donation to parish or clergy. Thank you sincerely for all your support, especially in these times of economic duress.

#### **COVID-19 UPDATE**

Our church doors are open again for parishioners to visit for solitary prayer. No group prayer or activities are permitted, but the peace and tranquillity of time alone with the Lord are an oasis at the present time.

We have put in place the necessary sanitary measures to make it safe for everyone, and ask the public to observe some simple measures in the churches to limit the spread of Covid-19 during your visit.

- \* Follow the one-way route while moving around the church as indicated.
- Keep a distance of 2 metres (6 feet from other people who are not part of your household, including when seated in pews.
- \* Use sanitiser and wipes provided where indicated.
- \* Do not touch any surfaces unnecessarily.

Those who are at increased risk from the virus and/or have been advised to shield themselves are also strongly advised to remain at home.

Opening times are as follows:

**St Anthony's, Moyraverty**: 8:00am–5:30pm daily

**St Mary's, Derrytrasna:** 9:30am–4:00pm daily

**St Patrick's, Derrymacash:** 10:00am–5:30pm daily

St John's, Lylo: remains closed.

St Peter's & St Paul's, Lurgan:

11:00am-6:00pm daily.

Adoration Chapel, Edward Street: 11.00 am – 6.00 daily

St Patrick's & St Ronan's, Magheralin 9.30pm – 6.00pm

St Colman's, Kilwarlin

9.00am -7.00pm.

Thank you for your support and co-operation... and welcome back.

#### SPIRITUAL COMMUNION IN YOUR HEART

When we cannot attend Mass, we can still make an Act of Spiritual Communion, in which we express our faith in Christ and in His Presence in the Eucharist. You might like to use the following prayer or similar words:

My Jesus,

I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.

I love you above all things, and I desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally,

come at least spiritually into my heart.
I embrace you as if you were already there and
unite myself wholly to you.
Never permit me to be separated from you.

## Amen. PARISH DRAW

Due to the Coronavirus restriction we are not able to continue with the parish draw at this time. When the office re-opens and restrictions are lifted we will be able to let promoters and parishioners know we intend to proceed.

Thank you for your patience at this time.

#### PLANNING FOR BAPTISMS: REGISTER YOUR INTEREST

At present we are not permitted to have any gatherings in church for the sacraments. As you know, the churches are open for solitary prayer only. However, we wish to be ready to recommence baptisms whenever the public health advice permits small gatherings to take place. As yet we do not know when this will be.

When baptisms recommence, we will first baptise those babies whose christening was already booked before the lockdown began. We will make contact with these parents as soon as bookings may be made to arrange new dates.

Parents of children for baptism who have not yet made any booking are invited to phone the parish office now in order to register your interest and join a waiting list for baptism. Register your interest and join a waiting list for baptism. If the office is closed, leaving a message will be sufficient to go on the waiting list.

We will require only a parent's name and telephone number at this stage; when baptisms begin again, we will contact you to gather the other details and arrange a date for your child. Social distancing requirements will likely mean that the number of baptisms carried out on any given Sunday will be reduced, and the number of people with each baby will likely be limited. It is our intention to hold baptisms in both parishes every week in order to catch up after the lockdown eases. We look forward to the numbers in our Church, God's family, growing rapidly very soon!

#### TRÓCAIRE

Every year Trócaire asks for our help during Lent to fund lifesaving programmes around the world. This year, of course, it has not been possible to return Trócaire boxes in the usual way. This is the worst possible timing coming just as the world's poorest people need us most. There is urgent need for your Lenten donations which you may still have at home, so please return them in the following ways:

- 1. Online at www.trocaire.org
- 2. By freephone: **0800 912 1200**
- 3. By post to **Trócaire**, 10 King Street, Belfast, BT1 6AD
- 4. Through the parish office letterbox in an envelope. (Please do not leave boxes unattended at the back of the church.)
  The contents of each and every Trócaire box, no matter how small, come together to make a significant difference. This virus knows no borders, but neither does our compassion.