



Parish of Derriaghy

(a parish within the Derriaghy-Colin Pastoral Community)

Sunday 4th October
2020
Twenty-Seventh Sunday
in Ordinary Time



WEBCAM TRANSMISSIONS

Mass and Divine Office will continue to be transmitted from Saint Colman's Church, by means of the web-cam facility. The timetable is as follows:

Masses

Sunday 12noon
Tuesday and Friday 10am

Divine Office

Morning Prayer of the Church Monday to Friday 9.30 am
Evening Prayer of the Church Monday to Friday 6.00pm
Visit www.derriaghy catholicparish.org and follow live-stream facility.

RESUMPTION OF

SUNDAY MORNING MASSES

Sunday morning Mass takes place within the parishes of our pastoral community. The suspension of the obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation continues. Parishioners can therefore attend any particular Mass during the seven days of the week.

The timetable is as follows:

St Luke's	10am
Nativity	10.30am
Our Lady Queen of Peace	10.30am
Christ the Redeemer	11am
Derriaghy - St Colman's	12noon

This represents the 'taking of another small step' towards a fuller weekend timetable

After a few weeks, the Saturday evening vigil Masses will be re-introduced.

Baptisms: Please contact the Parish Office on 92660073. At the present time, numbers at Baptisms are limited to 10 family members-for the health and safety of all concerned.

Weddings: -The number of people attending will be determined by the dimensions of the building, observing the two-metre social distancing rule. To book a wedding, telephone the Parish Office on 92660073

Funeral Services and Requiem Mass- numbers permitted to attend will depend on the size and layout of the Church

HEALTH & SAFETY IN OUR CHURCHES

Parishioners will be asked to provide their name and contact telephone number, to provide for the event whereby there is a need to contact Mass attendees. Please be assured that the information contained will be stored in the strictest confidence for 21 days, and will not be disclosed to third parties. This is the practice in restaurants and many other public places. Also: the use of face-coverings is recommended at Mass.

- Everyone must help stop coronavirus spreading.
- If you go out, stay 2 metres (6ft) away from other people.
- Avoid touching your face and wash your hands as soon as you get

PARISH FINANCE

Collections at Mass this weekend:

- 1 Weekly Offering in support of the parish.
2. Monthly Offering in support of the Priests of the Diocese

Weekday Masses within the parishes of the Derriaghy-Colin Pastoral Community during this week

Monday

Christ the Redeemer 10am
Nativity 10am
Saint Luke's 6.30pm

Tuesday

Saint Colman's 10am
Our Lady Queen of Peace 6.30pm

Wednesday

Our Lady Queen of Peace 10am

Thursday

Saint Luke's 10am
Nativity 10am

Friday

Saint Colman's 10am
Christ the Redeemer 6.30pm

PRAYING THE DIVINE OFFICE

The Divine Office is celebrated Monday to Friday in Saint Colman's Church, and transmitted by webcam to the parishes of the Pastoral Community. Morning Prayer at 9.30am, and Evening Prayer at 6.30pm. In addition to Deacon Kevin, Deacon Pat and John Downey, if parishioners wish to volunteer for this role, please contact the parish office leaving your name and contact details. Training will be provided.

APPEAL FOR VOLUNTEERS

It is intended to resume vigil Masses on Saturday evenings in the parishes of the Pastoral Community in the near future. Obviously the situation re Covid-19 will be taken into consideration..

To make it possible for parishioners to attend, additional volunteers are required to act as stewards. The role will seating Mass attendees in a safe manner, and helping to ensure that the church is sanitised before and after Mass.

Without additional help, it will not be possible to resume the vigil Masses. The existing stewards have been very generous in offering their time and energy at both the Sunday morning Mass and weekday Masses. Please consider this role. If you would like to volunteer as a steward, please contact Arthur Scott, or alternatively Fr Brian on 02890619459 or by emailing at stlukes@downandconnor.org

Requiescant in Pace

Recently Deceased-

Kevin Johnson, Fr Terry O'Keeffe, Marie Davey

Anniversaries:

Eamon Brady (1st.) Patrick Brown, Brian Donnelly, Karen Reilly, Mark Boyle, Patrick McElkerney, Jane Mulvena, Frances Regan, Frank Cooley, Mandy Morrow, Isobel Eastwood, Mary Morrow, Phillis & Billy Reynolds, John Campbell, Stephen Lundy, Molly Caribine, Jack Doherty, John McQuillan Margaret Conway

Localised restrictions announced in response to Covid-19 increases

As of Monday 21st September, the Northern Ireland Executive has today agreed that current restrictions to combat the spread of Covid-19 should be extended across Northern Ireland.

Previously the restrictions, which focus on domestic settings, were applied in post codes with the highest rates of Coronavirus. Today's Executive decision comes after a weekend in which 222 new Coronavirus cases were reported on Saturday and a further 176 on Sunday.

The restrictions, applying to all postcode areas are:

- No mixing of households in private dwellings, with exemptions for: bubbling with one other household; caring responsibilities including childcare; essential maintenance; supported living arrangements; visits required for legal or medical purposes; or marriage or civil partnerships where one partner is terminally ill.

No more than six people to gather in a private garden from no more than two households. Children aged 12 and under from those two households are discounted from this total.

HOLY FATHER'S INTENTIONS

During the month of October, our Holy Father, Pope Francis, asks us to unite with him in prayer for the following intention:

We pray that by the virtue of baptism, the laity, especially women, may participate more in areas of responsibility in the Church.

SACRAMENT OF FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Saturday 10th October 10am & 12.30pm

Derriaghy Parish

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SUPPORTING YOUR PARISH

In recent months, all parishes of our diocese have experienced a dramatic decline in income as a result of the Covid-19 pandemic. In many cases, this has had a devastating impact on finance, and will have implications into the future. Many families have also experienced hardship during recent months. The reality is that the bills keep coming in!

I wish to thank those who faithfully contributed to the parish in recent months, using their parish envelopes, standing order systems, and the 'donate button' on both the parish and diocesan websites.

The parish envelopes are available for collection after Mass this weekend-please ask the volunteer stewards to locate your envelope box at the rear church porch on the way out.. For those who are not recipients envelopes, I ask you to consider joining the standing order scheme.

I also ask regular envelope-users to consider signing-up to commence a standing order in support of your parish also. This may be an alternative to using envelopes.

The advantages of standing order donating are as follows: it helps ensure a regular source of finance to the parish, without the need to deposit envelopes. The standing order will help ensure that three areas of need are financed:

Weekly Parish Offertory Collection- parish collections to support the fabric of the parish-buildings, maintenance, running of the parish office, staff-salaries, heat, light, insurance and other liabilities which are the regular commitments of parish life.

Monthly Offering-this collection supports the priests of the diocese. In recent months the welfare fund for priests has also experienced a dramatic decline. Priests need to be supported in order to live.

Diocesan Collections- these regular collections finance the regular diocesan support which is a necessary structure of the church. Diocesan agencies support the work of our parishes and are an indispensable framework of governance, spiritual and pastoral outreach. They include the Diocesan Curia, Marriage Tribunal, Safeguarding Office, Living Church, Family Ministry, Living Youth, Education of Diocesan Students for the priesthood and permanent diaconate and many others. To be honest, life in our parishes couldn't function without diocesan agencies and bodies! In recent months, the very limited reserves of parishes and diocese have been used to 'plug-the gap.' This can no longer continue as it is simply not possible going forward.

Please consider signing up to the standing order facility to help YOUR parish face the immediate and medium-term future, as we continue as faith communities to pick up the pieces emerging as a result of the Covid-19 reality. Letters of invitation and forms to commence the process will be distributed next weekend at Mass. Thank you in anticipation. Fr Brian