



# Parish of Derriaghy

(a parish within the Derriaghy-Colin Pastoral Community)



Sunday 21st February 2021  
First Sunday of Lent  
Year B



**CURRENT REGULATIONS CONCERNING PARISH OUTREACH**  
As a result of current restrictions to curb the spread of Covid-19, the following regulations are in place concerning parish celebrations:

**Sacrament of Baptism:**  
Please contact the Parish Office on 92660073. At the present time, numbers at Baptisms are limited to 6 family members for the health and safety of all concerned.

**Sacrament of Matrimony:**  
The number of people attending is currently limited to 25 persons. To book a wedding, telephone the Parish Office on 92660073

**Funeral Services and Requiem Mass**  
- numbers limited to 25 persons at present.

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**WEBCAM TRANSMISSION**  
Following on from the recent suspension of public liturgies (*January 8<sup>th</sup> to March 5<sup>th</sup>*) Mass will continue to be celebrated and transmitted from Saint Colman's Church, by means of the web-cam facility.  
The timetable is as follows:  
**Masses**  
Sunday 10am  
Monday to Friday 10am

**Divine Office**  
Morning Prayer of the Church  
9.30 am- Monday to Friday

Evening Prayer of the Church  
6.00pm- Monday to Friday

Visit- [www.derriaghycatholicparish.org](http://www.derriaghycatholicparish.org) and follow the livestream facility

**Requiescant in Pace**  
**Recently Deceased:**  
Phil Donaghy, Brian Nolan, Emmanuel Curran, Loretto Coyle, Irene Doherty, Matthew Gorman, Thomas Harte, Fr Michael Boyle S.M.A.

**Anniversaries:**  
Pat Burke, Mary McGowan, Aidan O' Hara., Margaret Madden & Family, John Dempsey & Family, Arthur Donnelly, Margaret Hanna, George Donnelly, Abson Slater, Teddy O'Neill, Mary Carr, Richard Downey, Terence & Brigid Doran, Mary Josephine Falvey, Evelyn Nulty, Gerard Phillips, Sadie Kerr, Dominic Kerr, Elizabeth Teresa Jerrett, Catherine Largan, Tom Largan, Joan Largan

**PRAYER DURING THE SEASON OF LENT**  
Prayer expresses and fosters our dependence on God, and ultimately strengthens our relationship with Christ. During the season of Lent, why not consider some of the following: Praying the Stations of the Cross each day of Lent

*Praying the Holy Rosary*  
*Praying even a decade of the Rosary if easier*  
*Reading the Gospels each day...for example..., begin with the Gospel of Saint Mark, a few paragraphs each day*  
*Praying the Divine Mercy Chaplet*  
*Meditating on the Five Wounds of Our Lord*  
*Tuning in to the Divine Office (Morning and Evening prayer of the Church) transmitted from Saint Colman's Church. (see timetable opposite)*  
*Encouraging family prayer with children and young people.*

**CELEBRATING THE SEASON OF LENT WITH FAMILIES**  
The Living Church Office of the diocese has produced some materials which could be easily used by families during the season of Lent. Resources include: a variety of prayers, ideas for Lent, reflections and opportunities for family activities.  
Visit Derriaghy Parish website to access the dedicated links.

**CELEBRATING THE SEASON OF LENT**  
On the Sunday Evenings of Lent, beginning 21st February.  
**Sunday Evening Devotions**  
will be broadcast from Saint Colman's Church at 7pm each week.  
Comprising: Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Evening Prayer of the Church, a Meditation for the Season of Lent and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

**SUPPORTING YOUR PARISH**  
A sincere word of thanks to those who regularly donate to their parish, either by means of the standing-order facility, or alternatively by using the 'Donate-Button' on the parish website. Your contributions ensure a regular income for the parish, particularly during this period of lockdown.  
Fr Brian-Administrator of Derriaghy Parish

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS**  
Every Friday evening during Lent at 7pm, focusing on the Passion of Our Lord. To view visit [www.derriaghycatholicparish.org](http://www.derriaghycatholicparish.org) and follow live-stream facility.

**A PRAYER FOR THE DAYS OF LENT**  
Almighty and Everlasting God,  
You have given the human race  
Jesus Christ our Saviour  
as a model of humility.  
He fulfilled Your Will by becoming Man  
And giving His life on the Cross.  
Help us to bear witness to You  
By following His example of suffering  
And make us worthy to share in his Resurrection.  
We ask this through Christ our Lord.  
Amen.

*We adore you, and we praise you, O Christ:  
because by your holy cross, you have redeemed the world*

**What are you doing for Lent?**  
*"When you fast, do not put on a gloomy look" (Matthew 6:16)*

Talk about New Year resolutions is always popular in the media, but talk about Lenten resolutions is not so popular!

*As you consider what to do for Lent, ask yourself:*  
Have I been to the Sacrament of Confession recently?  
What change do I most need to make in my life?  
Is there a sin that needs to be dealt with?  
Is there bitterness that you need to be delivered from?  
Is there someone with whom you need to be reconciled?  
Is there a hurt from the past that you need to leave behind?  
Does your relationship with God have sufficient priority?  
Is there sufficient time for prayer and the sacraments?  
Is there anything in your eating habits or drinking habits that is unhealthy or sinful?  
Is there any laziness in the way in which you are living?  
Are you taking enough exercise, being sufficiently committed to your work and getting enough rest?  
Do you have enough quality time for your family?  
Is there any change that you could make to help those who have nothing?  
Are you aware of the call of Christ to be merciful?  
Have you considered making greater effort in living out the Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy?  
Do you have a vision for creating a little bit of heaven on earth in your own home, and living in union with God who is LOVE?

**LENTEN PIONEER PLEDGE**  
Many people choose to abstain from alcohol during Lent. Why not take this opportunity to perhaps help yourself or someone you know with an alcohol or drug problem by offering your sacrifice for freedom from addiction? Please consider taking the short-term Lenten Pledge and make a difference to someone's life and say the following daily prayer.

**DAILYPRAYER**  
*"I promise in honour of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and with the help of the Blessed Virgin Mary to abstain from all alcoholic drink during Lent."*

**POPE FRANCIS' MESSAGE FOR THE SEASON OF LENT**  
The Pope's Message to Catholics for this holy season can be accessed at [www.vatican.va](http://www.vatican.va)

**USEFUL LINKS**  
[www.ewtn.com](http://www.ewtn.com)-a Catholic TV channel offering daily Mass, Rosary, devotions and more.  
[www.vatican.va](http://www.vatican.va)- The Vatican website featuring Pope Francis' Daily Mass and messages.  
[www.downandconnor.org](http://www.downandconnor.org)-Diocesan website, featuring Bishop's messages and many links  
**Radio Maria Ireland**- is an Irish-run Catholic Talk-Radio Station. Prayer, Catechesis, Uplifting music, Talks, Interviews and Testimonies – all commercial free – Listen via TV on [Saorview](http://Saorview) - Channel 210 and [Freeview](http://Freeview) - Channel 826;