



Parish of Derriaghy

(a parish within the Derriaghy-Colin Pastoral Community)



Sunday 28th February 2021
Second 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 8th to March 5th) 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 and follow the livestream facility

DIOCESAN VOCATIONS WEEKEND

Have you ever considered the possibility that God is calling you to the priesthood? If so, take this opportunity to gather online with other men who are discerning their vocation. This virtual retreat will create the time and space to help you discern God's calling in your life.

The retreat will take place from the evening of Friday 19th – Saturday 20th March 2021. If you wish to register your interest in joining this retreat or would like further information contact: Fr. Kevin McGuckien -
Tel: 02890614567 or
email: vocations@downandconnor.org

SAINT PATRICK'S CHURCH

A word of thanks to the volunteers who tidied up the cemetery and precincts of St Patrick's Church this weekend. Their work has made a great difference, and is greatly appreciated. Thanks very much!!!

Requiescant in Pace

Recently Deceased:

Esther O'Neill, Mary McLarnon, Josephine Purdy, Anne Downey, Catherine Walsh

Anniversaries:

Sean Lundy, Jim, Brian & Brendan Rice, Elizabeth Fritt Marie Kane, Sadie Frazer, Noreen Lockhart, Danny Creggan, Rita Gracey, Mary Conlon, William McDermott, Harry Walsh, Dee Lavery, Jim & Gen Connolly, Harry Connolly, Anne-Marie Rooney, Roisin Slevin, Mary Bridgid O'Neill

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.
-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.

HOLY FATHER'S INTENTIONS

The Holy Father, Pope Francis invites us to pray with him during the month of March for the following intention:

Let us pray that we may experience the sacrament of reconciliation with renewed depth, to taste the infinite mercy of God.

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

USEFUL LINKS

www.ewtn.com-a Catholic TV channel offering daily Mass, Rosary, devotions and more.

www.vatican.va- The Vatican website featuring Pope Francis' Daily Mass and messages.

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 - Channel 210 and Freeview - Channel 826;

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. Others have returned their envelopes to the parish office. 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 and follow live-stream facility.