



Parish of Derriaghy

(a parish within the Derriaghy-Colin Pastoral Community)



Sunday 21st March 2021
Fifth Sunday of Lent
(Passion Sunday)
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.

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT-PASSION SUNDAY

Today we celebrate the Fifth Sunday of Lent; it signals the beginning of Passiontide. During this final stage in Lent, we are invited to reflect on the suffering, passion and death of Our Lord Jesus. The statues are covered at this stage of Lent, providing a sombre atmosphere as we prepare to celebrate Holy Week in a few days time.

"We adore you and we praise you O Christ; Because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world."

CELEBRATING MARY'S YES!

Thursday 25th March 2021 at 7pm

Let us gather as a Diocese to pray for vocations! Every vocation requires commitment and generosity to say 'Yes' to God's plan for our lives.

On the solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord, we invite you to join with us online to pray for vocations to the priesthood. The rosary will be broadcast from St Peter's Cathedral, Belfast
www.churchservicestv/stpeterscathedral

Mary, Most Holy, the Mother of our Saviour, had courage, placing her youth and her enthusiasm in God's hands. Through her intercession, may we be granted that same openness of heart, that same readiness to respond, 'Here I am', to the Lord's call (Pope Francis)

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Every Friday evening during Lent at 7pm in Saint Colman's Church. To view visit-
www.derriaghy catholicparish.org and follow live-stream facility.

DERRIAGHY PARISH

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WEBCAM TRANSMISSION

Following on from the recent suspension of public liturgies (January 8th to April 1st), 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.derriaghy catholicparish.org and follow the livestream facility

DIOCESAN VOCATIONS WEEKEND

Please pray for the young men who are presently participating in the diocesan vocations weekend. We pray that they may receive the gift of discernment that they may discover God's will for them. We ask 'the Lord of the harvest to send labourers into his harvest.'

LEGION OF MARY YOUNG ADULTS CONFERENCE

"Now, after a year of Covid, we are more and more conscious of the weight of the restrictions... and more-over the finishing line seems like a mirage always moving farther and farther away from us! The Catholic Young Adult Conference via Zoom on March 27th from 5:30 - 7:30pm is a chance for young adults (18 - 40) wherever they are to come together online to build up their hope. The theme "Hope Springs Eternal" will be discussed in a great line up of short talks and testimonies mixed together with music and prayer. The Conference is free to attend just log in to Zoom: ID 847 1984 5205 Passcode: 771328. Whatever about an injection for Covid, come and get a powerful injection of hope! Newcomers especially welcome."

Requiescant in Pace

Recently Deceased:

Eileen McKeown, Rose Coleman,

Months Mind:

Philomena Donaghey

Anniversaries:

Hugh O'Neill, McCoy Family, Rose Ritchie, Stan Newton, Gerry Hughes, Eunace Turley, Jim Magee, John Frazer, Agnes Tohill, Gerry Morgan, Harry Eastwood, Mona McGuigan, Greta Doherty, Rose McCourt, Maureen Ward, Oliver Green, Nan O'Hara

CELEBRATING THE SEASON OF LENT

On the Sunday Evenings of Lent,
Sunday Evening Devotions during Lent

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
www.derriaghy catholicparish.org-livestream

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.

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.

DAILY PRAYER

"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;