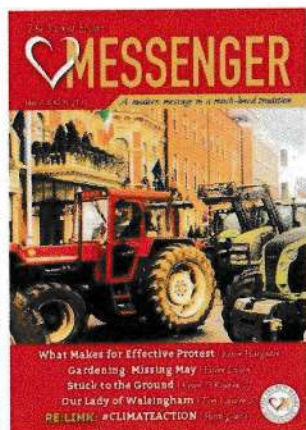


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What is Spiritual Communion?

Spiritual Communion is a way to be united with Christ when we are not able to physically receive the Eucharist. St Thomas Aquinas described it as "an ardent desire to receive Jesus in the Holy Sacrament, and a loving embrace as though we had received Him." This was a practice very dear to the heart of St Alphonsus Liguori, founder of the Redemptorist Order. In this time of uncertainty, when we are encouraged to practice "Social Distancing," let's use St Alphonsus' practice to be united in Spirit and in Prayer with one another and with Christ.



How to make a Spiritual Communion:

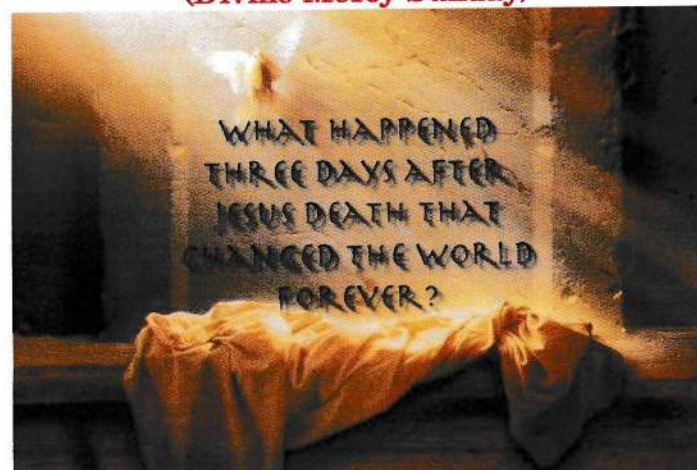
- Start with the Sign of the Cross.
- Read and reflect on the readings of the day (you can go to <https://www.catholicbishops.ie/readings/>) or follow us livestreamed on www.clonduffparish.com
- Mass times: **9.00am (Monday to Friday) Saturday at 6.00pm and Sunday at 11.00am in St John the Evangelist Church, Ballymaghera**
- Pray an Act of Spiritual Communion, such as this one inspired by St Alphonsus Liguori

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Blessed Sacrament.
I love You above all things, and I long for You in my soul.
Since I cannot receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart.
As though You have already come, I embrace You and unite myself entirely to You;
never permit me to be separated from You. Amen

- Offer a Prayer of Thanksgiving.

Clonduff Parish Newsletter

Sunday 19th April 2020
Second Sunday of Easter
(Divine Mercy Sunday)



'As the Father sent me, so am I sending you.'
John 20: 19-31

We are all a bit like Thomas: unless we see we find it difficult to believe. However, faith is a way of seeing, beyond the apparent problems of life to the hope given by the Resurrection of Jesus, The hope of sharing Heaven with Him.



(Photo courtesy of Peter Martin Murray)

Fr C Byrne Tel (028) 40630206 or in emergency 07764941606

PARISH OF CLONDUFF 19th APRIL 2020

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

(Sunday Readings Cycle A – Weekday Readings Cycle 2)

ANNIVERSARIES: BALLYMAGHERY, BALLYGORIAN, CABRA & DRUMGATH PARISH	
Sat 18 th Apr 6.00pm BALLYMAGHERY:	Arthur McConville, Cross Road; Peter Farrell, Yellow Road; Anne Brannigan, Fegans Gardens DRUMGATH: Peter & Christine Hynes, Cross Road; Thomas, Mary & Evan McGlade, Ballydoo
Sun 19 th Apr 11.00am BALLYMAGHERY:	Patrick, Mary & Aine McPolin, Ballyweely Road
Mon 20 th Apr 9.00am	BALLYMAGHERY: Felix, Bridget, John & Patrick Joseph Doyle, Ballydulaney
Tue 21 st Apr 9.00am	BALLYMAGHERY: Special Intention
Wed 22 nd Apr 9.00am	BALLYMAGHERY: Mary, Brian, Annie & Barney Matthews & Mary Alice Grant, Leitrim Road
Thur 23 rd Apr 9.00am	BALLYMAGHERY:
Fri 24 th Apr 9.00am	BALLYMAGHERY: Fr Rooney
Sat 25 th Apr 6.00pm BALLYMAGHERY:	Phelim Sheilds, Cleomack & Deceased members of the Caufield Family, Cleomack
Sun 26 th Apr 11.00am BALLYMAGHERY	John Curran, Kennedy Drive, Shane Gribben, Ballyweely Road, Mary Gribben, Ballykeel.

RECENTLY DECEASED

We pray for the happy repose of the souls of **Joyce McCarron, Sleepy Valley, Rathfriland** and **Elise O'Hagan wife of Frank O'Hagan, Glasgow**
May they rest in peace

Dromore Diocesan Trust Donate button now Activated - A Donation button has now been activated on our Diocesan Website. If you wish to donate to your Parish financially during this period of suspension of public celebration of daily and weekend Masses, you may do so through a new link on the Diocesan website homepage: www.dromorediocese.org simply open the website and click on the link: Donate
There you will find options as to how much you would like to donate, and you can choose your own Parish from a list of the Parishes of the Diocese. This facility allows those parishioners who wish to donate the opportunity to make a one-off or monthly payment to individual Parishes or to the Clergy Support Scheme.
Your continued financial support to Parish life and Parish upkeep is very much appreciated during these anxious and challenging days due to the on-going Coronavirus Pandemic.
Envelopes may be deposited through the Letter Box at the Parochial House, Castlewellan Road on Sunday 9am to 12 noon and Monday 9am to 12noon.
Thanks for your support.

PLEASE NOTE In light of the current situation with the Coronavirus, I will not be visiting the sick and housebound, but if someone wishes to have a visit ring my mobile **07764941606**. Thank you for your understanding as we try to keep safe at this difficult time. *Fr Charles Byrne*

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Diocese of Dromore Safeguarding of Children, young people and vulnerable adults: Dromore Designated Person Patricia Carville 07789917741. A copy of the Dromore Diocese "Safeguarding Policy and Procedures" is available for reference in the Parish Rooms.

PUBLIC HEALTH NOTICE

The Health Protection (Coronavirus, Restrictions) Regulations Northern Ireland March 28th 2020

As a result of Health Protection Regulations now becoming LAW the following are obligatory.

We thank you for your co-operation and understanding at this time, hoping these restrictions will not last too long

CHURCH CLOSED except for Funerals
GRAVEYARD CLOSED for Visitation

GIFT AID – if there is anyone who has signed a Gift Aid Declaration with the Parish but who has ceased to be a taxpayer during the Tax Year ending 5th April 2020 please let us know.

Dromore Diocese, Northern Ireland

Please find below updated guidance regarding the Coronavirus (Covid-19)

Funeral Liturgies

For the time being, but subject to daily review, the following guidelines should be followed:
Funeral services within the church building may proceed for now, but physical participation must be limited to immediate family only.

PLEASE NOTE THIS IS A CHANGE TO PREVIOUS ADVICE AND ENVISAGES A VERY SMALL GATHERING FOR ANY FUNERAL LITURGY TAKING PLACE INSIDE A CHURCH OR AT THE GRAVESIDE.

Sacrament of Baptism

All Baptism Ceremonies should now be postponed.

Sacrament of Marriage

All Marriage Ceremonies should now be postponed.

Webcam service continues from:

www.mcnmedia.tv/camera/ Ballymaghera Chapel or www.clonduffparish.com