

Christmas Eve Readers	Christmas Day Readers
6pm: Anne O'Hare	10.00am: Jemma Boden
7.30pm: Marie Cowan	11.30am: Oonagh McAleavey
6pm: Joleen Morgan	

RECENTLY DECEASED

We pray for the happy repose of the souls of **Annie Travers, 4 St Anne's Terrace, Cabra** and **Alice Kelly, Yellow Road** who were interred during the week.
May they rest in peace

DROMORE DIOCESAN HISTORICAL SOCIETY The Society's is pleased to announce that its Journal *Seanchas Dhoim Mor* 2020 is now on sale price £10 or £15 to include p&p *Seanchas Dhoim Mor* 2020 120pp includes articles on:

Dr Patrick Donnelly 1649-1719 Bishop of Dromore and "Bard of Armagh" Thomas B. Keane. The Story of the Sisters of Mercy, Lurgan. Sr. Dr Evelyn Kenny
Columbans from the Diocese of Dromore
Edward Mulhern, Lord Bishop of Dromore 1916-1943
The Grinan Crosses, Clonlea Graveyard & the Mooney family
The Function of Art: The Great Depression, Papal Encyclicals, and Editorial Cartoons
Barry Sheppard
Newry streets in the 1911 Census; (an online study in time of Covid)
Please contact any of the following to purchase a copy: Martin Goss, Newry 30262849 (answerphone) or goss.jim@gmail.com Michael Keenan, Burren: 41772543

Fr Neil Collins
Martin Goss
Elizabeth Hughes
Martin Goss

RECENTLY BAPTISED

We welcome into our faith community **Rossa Sean Farrell** son of Darren and Sarah and **Daithi Edward McMahon** son of Gavin and Sheena

CHRISTMAS TIME

The Christmas feast is a festival full of joy. The Eternal Word has become Man and dwells among us. The longings of the patriarchs and prophets are fulfilled. With the shepherds we hurry to the manger and adore the Incarnate Son of God, who for us and for our salvation descended upon earth. The purpose of the Christmas feast is beautifully expressed in the Preface of the Nativity: "For by the mystery of the Word made flesh the light of Thy glory hath shone anew upon the eyes of our mind; so that while we acknowledge Him a God seen by men, we may be drawn by Him to the love of things unseen."

During the Christmas season there is an extensive exchange of greetings and good wishes among friends. These greetings are a reminder of those "good tidings of great joy that shall be to all the people, for this day is born to you a Saviour Who is Christ the Lord" (Lk. 2:11). They are a reminder, too, that all blessings and graces come to us from Christ: "Hath He not also with Him given us all things?" (Rom. 8:32).

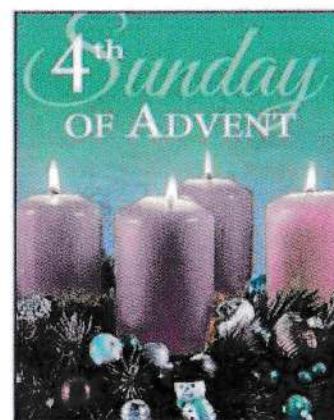


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ANNIVERSARIES: BALLYMAGHERY, CABRA	
Sat 19 th Dec 6.00pm BALLYMAGHERY:	Public Mass: Barney, Susan & Josephine McShane, Rathfriland Road; John & Magdalene Doyle & Francis Doyle, Hilltown; Sean Lynch, Castlewellan Road; Eugene Grant; Bernard & Margaret Smith, Mullaghmore
Sun 20 th Dec 9.00am St Mary's Cabra:	Public Mass: Sallie, Robert & Mary Ann Henning & Susan Cull, Stang Road
Sun 20 th Dec 11.30am BALLYMAGHERY:	Public Mass: John & Rose Anne Quinn, Kennedy Drive; Peter & Teresa Farnan, Kinghill Paddy O'Hagan, Newry Road; Desmond McGarry, Bann Lane; Pat Fitzpatrick & Deceased Family members, Yellow Road; Patrick Hugh Rooney, Rathfriland; Vivion Fegan, St Patrick's Park
Mon 21 st Dec 9.00am BALLYMAGHERY:	John & Kathleen McAleenan, Dana Place & Deceased members of the Rice Family, Lisnamulligan
Tues 22 nd Dec 9.00am BALLYMAGHERY:	Public Mass: Hugh John McEvoy, Castlewellan Road; Hugh & Mary Ann Brown, Cleomac
Wed 23 rd Dec 9.00am BALLYMAGHERY:	Christmas Eve: Bronagh Pertwee & deceased Kelly Family, Yellow Road
Thur 24 th Dec 6.00pm BALLYGORIAN	BALLYMAGHERY: Christmas Eve:
Thur 24 th Dec 6.00pm & 7.30pm	Christmas Eve:
Thur 24 th Dec 7.30pm CABRA:	Christmas Day: MM Mary Rodgers, Patrick & Josephine Rodgers, Cabra
Fri 25 th Dec 9.00am CABRA:	BALLYGORIAN: Christmas Day:
Fri 25 th Dec 10.00am	BALLYMAGHERY: Christmas Day:
Fri 25 th Dec 11.30am	BALLYMAGHERY: Feast of St Stephen
Sat 26 th Dec 10.00am	Public Mass: Hugh & Ellen Kearney, Bann View
Sat 26 th Dec 6.00pm BALLYMAGHERY:	Public Mass: St Mary's Cabra:
Sun 27 th Dec 9.00am	Public Mass: James, Teresa & Sr Mary Teresa Rice & Deceased Family members, Bryansford Road; James & Bridget Ann McConville, Mullaghmore
Sun 27 th Dec 11.30am BALLYMAGHERY:	

Clonduff Parish Newsletter

Sunday 20th December 2020
The Four Sunday of Advent



Jesus' dignity is great for he is the Son of the Most High.
Luke. 1: 26-38



NOTICE REGARDING CHRISTMAS MASSES IN CLONDUFF

Please be advised that all 7 Christmas Masses in the Parish of Clonduff are now **FULLY BOOKED**. In order to adhere to Public Health guidance and Social Distancing we are unable to accept anymore applications for seats at any of the Masses. Those who have already applied for seats will be contacted in the coming days. It is **important to emphasise** that only those who have been allocated seats at a certain Mass may attend that specific Mass this year.

All Masses will be streamed live via Webcam.

We would encourage those who are unable to attend Mass in person to participate from home via Webcam or visit the beautiful Cribs in our Chapels over the festive season.

www.clonduffparish.com or www.churchmedia.tv

PARISH OF CLONDUFF SUNDAY 20TH DECEMBER 2020 FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT (Sunday Readings Cycle B – Weekday Readings Cycle 1)

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*

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 last week £1,439.00

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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.

Thanks to the stewards and cleaners who are doing a great job enabling us to keep our Churches open over the Christmas Season. Please continue to adhere to social distancing, sanitising and wearing masks at all times.

Eucharistic Ministers 19 th – 20 th December	Eucharistic Ministers 19 th – 20 th December
6pm Marie Murray	6pm: Susan Brannigan
11.30am: Ursula Murphy	11.30am: P J Quinn
Readers 19 th – 20 th December	Readers 26 th – 27 th December
6pm: Anne O'Hare	6pm: Sinead & Meabh McPolin
11.30am: Kieran Murphy	11.30am: Laura Murray
BALLYGORIAN Eucharistic Ministers	BALLYMAGHERY Eucharistic Ministers
Thur 24 th Dec 6pm: Geraldine Smyth Mary McGreevey	Thur 24 th Dec 6pm Joseph Farrell 7.30pm P J Quinn
Fri 25 th Dec 10.00am: Ursula Murphy Susan Brannigan	Fri 25 th Dec 11.30am: Des McNeill
CABRA Eucharistic Ministers	CABRA Readers
Thur 24 th Dec 7.30pm: Jerome Lynch	Thur 24 th Dec 7.30pm: Angela Gribben
Fri 25 th Dec 9.00am: Sean McAlinden	Fri 25 th Dec 9.00am: Kate Woods
Sun 27 th Dec 9.00am: Anne O'Hare	Sun 27 th Dec 9.00am: Deirbhile Devlin

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New Webcam Details:- Website: www.clonduffparish.com alternatively www.churchmedia.tv