

 Chapel cleaners for
Ballymaghera May 2026
Eleanor McGreevy, Bernie
O'Hare, Teresa Fearon, Berni
Gallagher, Katie Cunningham & Annemarie
McGreevy

DROMORE DIOCESAN JUBILEE PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK

Sunday 31 May 2026 — led by Archbishop Eamon Martin. Bookings are now open for the annual pilgrimage to Knock. Coach departing from St Therese's church car park, Banbridge at 7:30am and St Paul's Church, Lurgan at 8:00am. **Cost £25 per person.** Time constraints do not allow for an evening meal, but 'comfort & coffee' stops will be available in each direction. Please book through your parish office, and payment will be taken on the bus. Pilgrims in the Newry area should book through Newry Parish Office for coach departing Newry Parish Centre on the Mall at 7:00am.



MAY ROSARY
at St John the Evangelist Church, Ballymaghera, Hilltown
in Clonduff Chapel and on webcam

✦ **Beginning Friday 1st May at 8pm** ✦
(and continuing Monday to Friday each week at 8pm)
Come and be part of a peaceful and uplifting time of prayer
this May. Whether you come on your own, with friends, or
bring the whole family, you are very welcome.
Children are especially invited! This is a lovely way to introduce
them to prayer in a gentle, meaningful setting. Everyone, of
all ages, is encouraged to join as we gather together in faith,
reflection, and community.
Let's take a little time out of our busy days to find calm,
hope, and togetherness.
All are welcome, we would love to see you there.

LOUGH DERG 2026 PILGRIMAGE SEASON. Three Day Pilgrimage in the tradition of prayer,
fasting & vigil Friday 29th May until Saturday 15th August. (pilgrims can begin pilgrimage on
any day until Thursday 15th August) Admission €85.00. One Day Retreats, a day of guided
prayer and reflection. Admission €50.00 for more information. Contact..

Tel: +353(0)719861518 @info@loughderg.org or www.loughderg.org

**PILGRIMAGE TO FATIMA 14th - 21st August 2026 Flying Direct from Belfast
International Airport Convenient flight times - £850pps. 7 nights F/B Avenida Hotel.**

Spiritual Director: Fr Andrew McMahon Further information contact Joe Catney:
07776425631

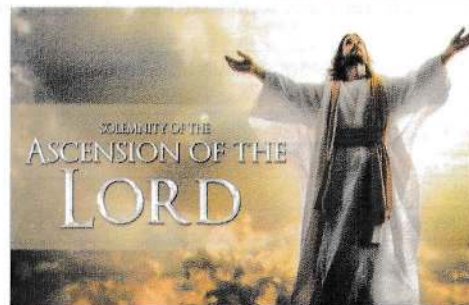
Junior Set Dancing on Thursday from 6.30pm to 7.30pm in the GAA Clubrooms.

"When Our Lady enters a home, she brings her Son with her," The Legion of Mary invites you
to welcome Our Lady of Graces Statue into your home. If you'd like to have the statue for a
week, please contact Liz 07708 217549 or Bronagh 07872 694848 or Sheila 07795517503

BINGO EVERY MONDAY NIGHT AT 9.00PM IN INF HALL

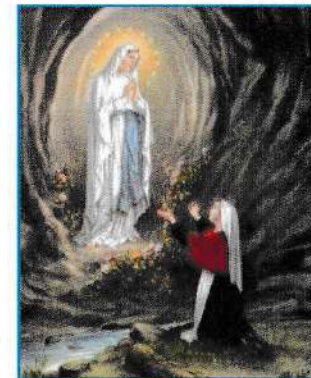
Clonduff Parish Newsletter

Sunday 17th May 2026
The Ascension of the Lord
(World Communications Day)



All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me.

Matthew 28: 16-20



Dates to remember:

Saturday 16th May Rosary at Our Lady's Grotto St John's Ballymaghera
directly after 6pm Mass.

Sunday 31st May Mass for the Sick at 3pm in St John's Ballygorian, Tea and
Sandwiches in Ballymaghera School afterwards.

Friday 12th June Table Quiz 9pm in the Downshire Arms Hilltown.
Please support.

Fr C Byrne Tel (028) 40630306 or 07764941606 or email clonduffparish@dromorediocese.org or cbyrne26@icloud.com

ANNIVERSARIES: BALLYMAGHERY, BALLYGORIAN & CABRA	
Sat 16 th May 6.00pm BALLYMAGHERY:	Lily & Gary Murray, Clonduff Road Brian Brannigan, Ardmore Park Deceased members of the Brannigan Family, Carcullion
Sun 17 th May 9.00am CABRA:	Brian Dickson, Islandmoyle & Jim & Christina Dickson, Rathfriland
Sun 17 th May 11.30am BALLYMAGHERY:	Rose, Pat, Michael, Gerard & Joseph Matthews, New Line Road
Mon 18 th May 9.00am BALLYMAGHERY:	Hugh & Elsie Brown & Deceased Brown Family, Lisnamulligan
Mon 18 th May 7.00pm	St Mary's, Rathfriland: No Mass
Tues 19 th May 9.00am	BALLYMAGHERY: Eucharistic Prayer Service
Wed 20 th May 9.00am	BALLYGORIAN:
Thur 21 st May 9.00am	BALLYMAGHERY: Eucharistic Prayer Service
Fri 22 nd May 9.30am	St Mary's, Rathfriland:
Fri 22 nd May 7.30pm	CABRA:
Sat 23 rd May 6.00pm BALLYMAGHERY:	Jimmy & Nora Doyle & Deceased family, Rostrevor Road Michael & Mary Rose Rafferty, Kennedy Drive Laurence McPolin, Kennedy Drive Peter, Isabella, Brendan & Michael McEvoy, Ballyhaughian Bridie, Annie & John Murphy & Susan Byrne & Murphy Family, Ballynanny Daniel Grant, O'Hagans Terrace James Brown, Whitehill Mary Harper, Place Place Laurence Branagan, Castlewella Road
Sun 24 th May 9.00am	CABRA:
Sun 24 th 11.30am	BALLYMAGHERY: Willie & Rosaleen McGinn, Kilkeel Road

PARISH OF CLONDUFF

SUNDAY 17TH MAY 2026

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

(Sunday Readings Cycle A – Weekday Readings Cycle 2)

You can now book your Anniversaries, Baptisms, Weddings or any other
enquires by contacting the Parish Office Monday & Thursday 9am – 3pm
(028) 30850270 or leaving a message on answering machine or

Email: clonduffparish@dromorediocese.org

Baptism Arrangements

First Sunday of the Month. Ballymaghera 12.30pm
Third Sunday of the Month Cabra 12.30pm

Thanks for your generous support £1,507.59 Trocaire £5,668.14

Registered with the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland NIC105046

Diocese of Dromore Safeguarding of Children, young people and vulnerable adults:

Dromore Designated Person Mr Stephen Sherry 07301246329

Email: safeguardingdirector@dromorediocese.org

A copy of the Dromore Diocese "Safeguarding Policy and Procedures" is available for
reference in the Parish Rooms.

BALLYMAGHERY ALTAR SERVERS

Sat 16 th May: Eibhlin McConville, Daniel Boyle, Sarah Branigan	Sat 23 rd May:
Sun 17 th May: Leah McGarry, Frankie McGinn, Aoife Dickson	Sun 24 th May: Leah McGarry, Frankie McGinn, Aoife Dickson

Adoration in Ballygorian on Thursdays 7.30pm – 8.30pm.

Adoration will take place on Tuesday evening at 8.00pm with the Rosary being recited in
Ballymaghera. All welcome.

Eucharistic Ministers Ballymaghera

Sat 16 th May: 6pm: Geraldine Smyth	Sat 23 rd May: 6pm: Roisin McNeill
Sun 17 th May 11.30am: PJ Quinn	Sun 24 th May: 11.30am: Bronagh McElroy
Readers	
Sat 16 th May: 6pm: Colm McGinn	Sat 23 rd May: 6pm: Clare Green
Sun 17 th May: 11.30am: Gabriel Murray	Sun 24 th May: 11.30am: PJ Quinn

CABRA READERS	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS
Sun 17 th May: 9.00am: Joanne McGinn	Sun 17 th May: 9.00am: Madeleine McAlinden
Sun 24 th May: 9.00am: Kate Woods	Sun 24 th May: 9.00am: Anne McPolin

The Parish are currently updating the map of the Ballymaghera graveyard. We would
request anyone who has previously purchased a grave in St John's Ballymaghera to put
their name and contact telephone number into the box at the back of the church. We
will then be in touch to follow up. This is a final call for information until 31 July 2026
and after this date this request for information closes and will not be revisited. We
hope to finalise the mapping of the graveyard over the summer months.

DROMORE DIOCESAN HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Monday 18th MAY: @7:30pm in BALLYNAHINCH PARISH CENTRE. The Society's next event of
its 2026 programme is a talk by Pdraig Coyle entitled "The Life of Fr Patrick Kelly, Co Down
priest and member of the French Resistance in WW2". After his retirement from France in
1973, Fr Kelly served in Derrytrasna, Derrymacash, Ballela and Dunmore in the Dromore
Diocese. Pdraig Coyle is a well-known journalist and broadcaster. Admission £1.00.

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