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**Legion Of Mary:** Wednesday at 6.15pm in the Prayer Room of

St Mary's Church. All are welcome, both men and women of any age.

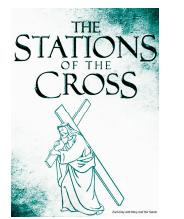


**Right to Life:** *"In this season of Lent, we offer up the merits of our daily sacrifices to the needs of the most vulnerable in society. We offer them especially for the poor, the terminally ill, the lonely, the homeless and the unborn, that the Lord would see their needs and pour out his love and blessing upon them."*



**Stations of the Cross on Sundays at 6pm:**

**Bellaghy, 22 February**  
**Greenlough, 8 March**  
**Ballyscullion, 22 March**



**St Ergnat's GAC. Lotto No's: 4, 10, 13, 15.** £30 each to Eamon McQuade & Noel Boyd. Jackpot £4,350.

**Wolfe Tones GAC. Lotto No's: 1, 6, 16, 27.** Two share Jackpot £2800 Cody Brady & Paula McQuade. Jackpot: £1000.

**Trócaire Boxes** are available at the back of the Church.

**Please take one per family.**



**Please send Anniversary names and notices to the Parish Office  
by 1pm on Wednesday.**

**St Mary's, Bellaghy/St Joseph's, Ballyscullion.**

**22 February 2026**

**First Sunday Of Lent.**



**Pope Leo** is encouraging us all to read the Bible, to become familiar with the Word of God. Lent could be a good time to begin to do that, starting perhaps with the Gospel of Matthew. The Sermon on the Mount (Chapters 5-7) is a blueprint for Christian living. Matthew recounts Jesus' many calls to repentance as well as His repeated challenges to us to protect, promote, and deepen our faith.

We could all benefit from reading the Gospel in advance of the weekend, either alone or with family and friends.

The great Biblical scholar, St Jerome, has said that "Ignorance of the Bible is ignorance of Christ."



**The Lenten Programme in honour of Sr Clare Crockett,**

On Thursday 26 February there will be a gathering for reflective prayer and discussion

"A Call to Holiness" in St Mary's Church, Bellaghy at 7.30pm.

***Everyone welcome to attend or to follow the Programme  
via the parish webcam.***

**Fr Pat hopes to attend the Sick and Housebound as follows:**

**Monday 23 February - Bellaghy A** (Town area; Deerpark Rd; Ballyscullion. )

**Tuesday 24 February - Greenlough A** (Clady; Glenone Road; Clady Rd; The Orchards; Tyanee; Innishrush.)

**Friday 27 February - Bellaghy B** (Oldtown Rd; Killyberry Rd; Hillhead Rd; The Broagh; Leitrim Rd.)

**Monday 2 March - Bellaghy C** (Ballymacombs Lane; Ballynease Rd; Downings Rd; Culbane Rd; Ballyscullion Rd.)

**Tuesday 3 March - Greenlough B** (Ballymacpeake; Eden Rd; Moyagall Rd; Mullanamoyagh Rd.)

**Deaths:** We offer our sympathy to the family and family circle of **Dolores Convery (Hunters Park), Patrick McErlean (Downings Road), Brigid Toner née McErlean (Magherafelt) and Theresa Hoban (England)** who died recently.

**Anniversaries:**

**Sat/Sun 21/22:** Alice McElwee (Anniversary Mass at 11am), Ciaran Gallagher (Anniversary Mass at 11am) , Mary Lynn-Bowyer née McKee (Burial of ashes after 11am Mass), Hugh Brown, Harry & Frances McNicholl, John Patrick Doherty, Declan Martin, Kathleen Rea, Alphonsus Diamond, Germaine Doherty, Nuala Scullion, Junior Speer, John McKay, Paddy McKernan, Pat Brennan, Jimmy Mullan,

**Sat/Sun 28/1:** Patrick Mawhinney (Anniversary Mass at 11am), Mona Craig (Month's Mind at 11am), Francis McErlean.

**May they rest in peace.**

**March Schedules:**

**St Mary's:**

**Eucharistic Ministers: Weekdays:** Marietta Duffin.

**Vigil:** Bernie Quigley, Catriona Kerr

**11.00am:** M Scullion, C Scullion, P Diamond.

**Readers:** **11.00am:** Damian Carey.

**Weekdays:** **Mon:** M Scullion **Wed:** A Scott

**Church Cleaners:** Maria Lynn, Donna Kane, Shauna Kelly.

**Stewards:** **11am:** Noel & Seamus O'Sullivan

**Altar Society:** Laura Rea

**St Joseph's:**

**Eucharistic Minister:** Barbara Carey **Reader:** Brenda Mullen

**Collector:** Lizzie O'Donnell & Dolores McErlean **Altar Society:** Helen Duffin

Last weekend's collection amounted to: £2,165.00

**Thank you**



In today's gospel Jesus rebuffs the devil's temptations with the words of Scripture. Recently Pope Leo has been reminding us of the importance of reading the Bible and becoming familiar with it. It has been said that "Ignorance of the Bible is ignorance of God." We pray that our seminarians will study and love the Sacred Scriptures so that, as the future priests of our diocese, they will share and preach the Word of God in a way that enhances the lives of the people they will serve.

**Anyone interested in attending the Vocations Retreat Weekend in Drumalis, Larne, 6-8 March, should contact Fr Pat O'Hagan @ [pgoh2111@gmail.com](mailto:pgoh2111@gmail.com)**



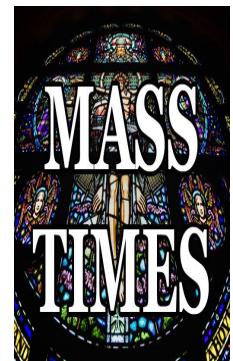
**St Mary's, Bellaghy:**

**Mon 23 & Wed 25 Feb, 9.30am**

**Sat 28 Feb, 5.30pm** (Streamed from Greenlough)

**Sun 1 Mar, 11.00am** (Streamed to Greenlough)

**Adoration**, Friday from 10am—8pm (Rosary at 7.30pm).



**St Oliver Plunkett, Clady:**

**Tues 24 & Fri 27 Feb, 9.30am.**

**Fri 27 Feb: Holy Hour for Vocations at 7pm.**

**Adoration 9am - 5pm Thurs.**

**Sat 28 Feb Vigil, 5.30pm** (Streamed to Bellaghy)

**Sun 1 Mar, 11.00am** (Streamed from Bellaghy)

**St Joseph's Ballyscullion:**

**Mon 23 Feb, 7pm.**

**Sun 1 Mar, 9.45am.**

**First Confessions—Mon 24 Feb at 6pm in St Mary's Church, Bellaghy.**

We ask you to keep the young children from St Mary's PS and St John Bosco PS in your prayers as they prepare for the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

