

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

*28th March 2021.*

*Palm Sunday Of The Lord's Passion*



**Times of the services for which people can make a reservation during Holy Week**

**Palm Sunday Masses** : Vigil @ 6.30pm Sunday 8.30 & 11.00 am

**Holy Thursday:** Mass of the Lord's supper @ 7.00pm

**Good Friday** : Solemn Liturgy @ 3.00pm ; Stations of the Cross @ 9.00pm

**Holy Saturday:** Easter Vigil @ 9.00pm

**Easter Sunday Masses** @ 8.30 & 11.00 am

**Reservations to a maximum of 50 people at each mass/service.**

***We ask people to make reservation for only one of these as we wish to offer a chance to as many as possible in present circumstances. We are grateful to have a representation of parishioners on each occasion. Maximum of two people per booking permitted.***

***Booking system mass-time.com goes live at 12.00 noon Thursday 25th***

***(Spaces still available except Easter Sunday @ 11.00 mass)***

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS (OUTDOOR)**

***in New Cemetery next Monday Tuesday & Wednesday @ 12.00.***

***We will pray in memory all who have died in the parish since lockdown last year and remembering all our departed loved ones. Hopefully weather permits.***

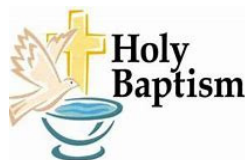
***In any case you will be able to listen from the car as we now have a P.A. system installed in the Cemeteries which can be heard within Church grounds and beyond!***

***We welcome into God's Family through Baptism:***

***Kelly Weir , Ballyscullion Rd, Toome,***

***Shea Hugh McKenna, 4 Chapel View,***

***Caybem Scott Coles, 27 The Meadows***



**THE CHAPEL WILL BE OPEN FOR PERSONAL PRAYER**

**On**

**HOLY THURSDAY — GOOD FRIDAY**

**HOLY SATURDAY— EASTER SUNDAY**



**ANNIVERSARIES**

**Sat/Sun 27th/28th** Dan/Margaret Laverty (1st Anniversary Mass @6.30 Sat)

*Martina McLernon (Anniversary Mass @11.00 Sun) Tommy McPeake Maisie Ferris, Mary Donnelly John Brown, Jim Cassidy, Mary Hendry,*

**Mon 29th** :Jim McMullan,

**Tues 30th** Robert Cassidy

**Wed 31st:** Joe Moran,

**Thurs 1st:** Margaret Cushley

*Fri 2nd: John Graffin, Tillie Toner, Margaret Scullion,*

**Sat/Sun 3rd/4th:** Alice Pickering, Tommy Gallagher, Margaret Laverty, Hugh Diamond Seamus Stockman, Dolores Birt, Sarah O'Donnell,

***May they rest in peace.***

**First Communions and Confirmations Postponed.**

Bishop McKeown has taken the difficult decision, after some consultation, that the celebrations of First Communion are to be deferred until September 2021.

We are conscious that we must do everything we can to ensure that life is protected in the midst of this pandemic, noting that there has been some upturn in case numbers locally in recent days.

As regards the celebration of Confirmation, it is acceptable for parishes to make provisional arrangements for these in the month of June. However, this decision will be reviewed in the middle of May.

Return to any form of normality for church and society will be slow and, in order to hold the progress that we have made towards normal practice of faith, patience will be needed in relation to the pace of such change.

Please note this is the same for all parishes in the Diocese .

**Mass Times during the coming week.**

**Mon & Tues:** 9.30am

**Wed:** 7.30pm

**Holy Thurs:** Mass of The Lord's Supper; 7pm

**Good Friday:** Solemn Liturgy @ 3pm. Stations of the Cross @ 9pm

**Holy Saturday:** Easter Vigil @ 9pm

**Easter Sunday:** 8.30am & 11am

**The Offertory Collection for the past week amounted to £2,555.00**

Thank You. Envelopes can be dropped into letterbox at Parish Office. All contributions are much appreciated.

New Envelopes are currently being distributed.



**Preparing for Marriage? Catholic Engaged Encounter:** A 'Zoom' online Marriage Preparation course is planned for 27-28 March 2021. This 2-day course is a positive way of preparing for Marriage where you will discover how you can enrich your future relationship. Information/ Booking: [marriageencounter.ie](http://marriageencounter.ie) or 028276 38512

The February edition of **The Net**, the monthly publication sharing the fruits of faith in the Derry Diocese, is now available on the Diocesan website and Facebook Page - <https://www.derrydiocese.org/news/the-net-february-2021>

**DEPT OF HEALTH COVID-19 PANDEMIC Re: FUNERALS**

You cannot place in a funeral notice:  
Details of the funeral service (where/when)  
Details of any committal (where/when)  
Anything encouraging mourners to line the route  
Anything encouraging mourners to visit the family home.  
Both regulations and guidance currently state that under the general "stay at home" lockdown rules "you are not permitted leave the place where you are living unless you have a reasonable excuse to do so."

**St. Malachy's GAC Castledawson** - Lotto numbers drawn on Monday 22nd March were 5, 9, 19 & 22. Jackpot not won - £25 Lucky dips to Emma Young & Ryan McGrath; Jackpot next week £1,300. Thanks to all who support this club fundraiser. Anyone not currently playing and who would like to, please contact Brendan Keenan (M: 07810871370).

**The Divine Mercy Novena**, is prayed for the nine days from Good Friday (2 April) until the first Saturday of Easter (10 April), leading into Divine Mercy Sunday (11 April).

For those who would like to join in the Novena but do not have a copy of it, it can be accessed on: <https://divinemercy.life/the-divine-mercy-novena/>

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(Emergency only)

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Fr. Harkin

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*info@bellaghyparish.com*

02879 386259

SVP Society:

Bellaghy 07508549588

Lifeline

0808 808 8000

Samaritans 08457 909090  
or

02871265511

**Diocese of Derry Prayer for Lent 2021**

*Each day of Lent everyone is encouraged to pray the Diocese Lenten Prayer.*

**Loving Father**, To prepare for His mission of proclaiming Your kingdom to the world

Your Son Jesus was guided by Your Holy Spirit to the quiet of the desert.

In these Lenten days, I pray that I will be guided by that same Spirit, to a place of renewal in my heart and mind, so that I will seek opportunities for daily personal prayer, personal sacrifices and acts of kindness.

With Your help, may I too be truly prepared to share in the story of the passion, death and resurrection of Jesus Your Son, our Lord. Amen.

*Just a short note to draw your attention to some prayer resources for Lent on the diocesan website that can be used to support families at home.*

*The resources can be found at this link: <https://www.derrydiocese.org/news/ash-wednesday-17-february-2021>*

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: **A Spiritual Communion** My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy  
: Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul.  
: Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually  
: into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly  
: to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.  
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