

Bulletin



Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ 26 June 2016 ~ Jubilee Year of Mercy

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Acknowledging Priestly Ministry

Dear Parishioners

Two Lurgan-born priests have been marking, this month, the fiftieth anniversary of their Ordination to the priesthood. Canon Gerry McCrory, a native of Clanrolla, was ordained a priest in St Patrick's College, Carlow, on 11th June 1966. He has served all his priestly ministry within the Dromore Diocese and has been Parish Priest of Magheradroll (Ballynahinch) since 1993. Fr Rory McKee, a native of Edward Street, was ordained in Newry Cathedral on 18th June 1966. Fr Rory has served all his years as a priest within the Archdiocese of Washington D.C., most recently as Pastor of the Parish of St Thomas the Apostle, in Washington City. We give thanks to God for the witness of both these Lurgan priests and for their faithfulness to ministry and to the people in their care over the course of five decades.

We have also experienced, over the past couple of weeks, profound sadness at the passing from this world of Fr Martin McAlinden. Fr Martin grew up in Ashwood and was ordained in St Peter's Church, on 24th June 1990. He served the Diocese of Dromore over the past twenty six years and was a much respected Parish Priest of Moyraverty, and subsequently Dromore, before joining the staff of Maynooth College in 2014. A prolonged struggle with illness ended when Fr Martin died peacefully at the Northern Ireland Hospice on the morning of Monday, 13th June. We give thanks to God for Fr Martin's twenty six years of priestly ministry and for the courage and fortitude with which he faced his final illness. May he rest now in eternal peace.

Fr Andrew McMahan

Dromore Diocesan Historical Society Monday, 27th June, 7.30 pm in St. Paul's Church, Lurgan.

*A special event to mark the Golden Jubilee of the
Opening and Dedication of our splendid Church
in Francis Street.*

The planning and building of the Church took place at a crucial time when Lurgan's population was expanding rapidly and a long overdue initiative in the provision of good housing for people was underway. Greatly enhanced provision for Catholic Education had also become a priority. Catholic identity was solid, and the overall quality of life locally was improving year by year. The development of the new housing sectors, public and private, in Shankill and Taghnevan principally, meant that a new Catholic Church was necessary. A convenient and appropriate site was donated to the Catholic people and St. Paul's Church arrived in 1966 fulfilling all the requirements of the Second Vatican Council, and a wonderful new chapter in the life of Lurgan's Catholic population began.

The event will comprise a review of Catholic life and identity in the periods before and after the opening of St. Paul's, a discussion on the actual building of the Church, the showing of a video relating to the Opening and Dedication of St. Paul's.

*Prayers of Thanksgiving will conclude the event.
All parishioners and friends of St. Paul's are warmly welcome.
Ad Multos Annos*

The Bell of Seagoe

Seagoe Church of Ireland Parish Church is 200 years old this year.

As part of the bicentenary celebrations, the ancient Bell of Seagoe, on short-term loan from the National Museum, in Dublin, will be on guarded display inside the Church from 12 midday to 5 pm on this Sunday, in Seagoe Church.

The Bell is 1,100 years old, is a National Treasure, and was in the care of the Hennon family of Ballynery for more than 100 years. The bell has a remarkable history. It was 'lost' for centuries until it was found under a yew tree when a grave was opened in Relicarn cemetery in Tandragee, in 1725. The inscription on the bell reads:- *Oroit Ar Chu Mascach M Ailello*, which translates as, 'Pray for Cumascach, son of Ailill.'

Cumascach was in the Monastery of Armagh, and his death is recorded in 904 A.D.. His mother was Gormlath, a daughter of Muiredach, King of Ulaidh, who died in 835 A.D.. An incised image of the bell can be seen in the porch of St. Patrick's, Derrymacash.

Parishioners are most welcome to visit the Church and see the bell.

Derrytrasna Men's Shed

Friday, Sunday, 3rd July, 2 pm – 5 pm
in Bay Hall, Derrytrasna.
Free refreshments, bouncy castle
and face painting. All welcome.

Family Care Adoption Society

is presently seeking to recruit adoptive families for
babies and young children.
Tel. 02871 368592/02890 691133.

Office Closed

Mon. 11th July - Fri. 15th July
All July Anniversaries to be
left into the Parish Office by
Monday, 4th July.

BAPTISM



We welcome in to our
Christian Community

Elizabeth Jane Lewsley
Hill Street,
Kayla Noreen Hogan
Downshire Avenue,

Alaya Conway
Moyraverty Gardens,
Jack Thomas Toland
Riverglade Manor,

Rocco Phoenix Kerr
Collingwood Avenue,
Oscar Kieran Francis Canning
Belvedere Manor,

Riordan O'Hare
Willowfield Crescent

*Our prayers and good wishes
are extended to their family
and friends.*

Prayer for Our Priests



O Jesus, our great High Priest,
hear my humble prayers on
behalf of your priests.

Give them a deep faith, a bright
and firm hope and a burning love
which will ever increase in the
course of their priestly life.

In their loneliness, comfort them.
In their sorrows, strengthen them.

In their frustrations, point out to
them that it is through suffering that
the soul is purified, and show them
that they are needed by the Church;
they are needed by souls; they are
needed for the work of redemption.

Summer Graduation Masses, Queen's Uni., Belfast

will be celebrated on each day
during the graduation celebrations,
in the Catholic Chaplaincy,
28 Elmwood Ave., from
Thursday, 30th June until
Wednesday, 6th July
(Sunday excluded) at 12.45 pm

*All graduates, their families and
friends are most welcome, tea and
coffee served after Mass.*



Rally For Life

Saturday, 2nd July, 2 pm

The 10th All Ireland Rally for Life will be
held in Belfast city centre.

Mass will be celebrated in St. Malachy's
Church, Belfast at 12.30 pm.

Everyone welcome.
Tel: 02890 278484.

Bus leaves St. Paul's Church Car Park
at 12 noon.

To book seat contact Eamon
028 9027 8484/07771965059
info@preciouslife.com

Lough Derg

Monday, 29th August, £48.



Book to secure your seat.
Price includes bus/boat/morning
tea/coffee/lunch/evening meal.

Dromore Diocesan Summer Faith Camp

Girls & Boys, 12 – 14 years old
YMCA Centre, Greenhills, Newcastle
27 June – 1 July or 4 – 8 July

Take part in sports, zipline, archery,
teambuilding, etc.,and time with God.
Cost: £135. Tel. Frances on: 30 83 3898.

Clan Eireann Youth Club Summer Scheme 2016

(Strictly over 7 years)
Monday, 4th July – Thursday, 21st July
Monday – Thursday, £1.50 daily,
10 am -12.30 pm & 2 pm – 4 pm
Volunteers, tel: Stephen, 38 323 080.

Youth 2000 Summer Festival

Cistercian College, Roscrea,
Co. Tipperary
Thursday 7th – Sunday 10th July for
young people aged 16 – 35.

An Opportunity not to be missed to
experience the Catholic faith and meet
many new people, with over 1200 young
people from all corners of Ireland
attending last year.

*The festival is donation only.
Free buses available from all around
Ireland.*

Tel: 01 6753 690 www.youth2000.ie

RECENTLY DECEASED

Fr. Martin McAlinden, Oakridge,
Vincent McGeown, Derrytrasna Road,
Susan Jackson, Richmount Gardens,
Leo Fegan, Liscorran Road.

ANNIVERSARIES

SUNDAY 26 JUNE

Vigil

Annie McCaughley, Grattan Street,
Patricia McMahan, Prospect Way,
Sean Haughey, Silverwood,
Thomas Devine, St. Winifred's Terrace,
John Elliott, Francis Street.

9 am

James & Marjorie McCarron,
Shankill Street/London,
George Patterson, Liscorran Road,
James Mahaffy, Waring Street,
Jim Murtagh, Glenview Drive.

10.30 am

John Doyle, Downshire Avenue.

12 noon

Gary McCusker, Hill Street.

MONDAY 27 JUNE

Annie McIntyre, Silverwood Drive,
Annie Power, Drumlin Drive,
Kenneth (Kenny) Doran, Silverwood Drive,
Kevin Coleman, Drumlin Drive,
John McGeown, Manor Drive,
Irene McCaughley, Craigavon,
Tommy O'Hagan, Brown Street.

TUESDAY 28 JUNE

Brendan Mallon, Ulster Street,
Bridget Armstrong,

WEDNESDAY 29 JUNE

Rosaleen Cunningham, Stoneyford,
Elizabeth Lavery, Francis Street.

THURSDAY 30 JUNE

Joseph McConville, Kilmore Road,
Minnie Mahaffy, Waring Street,
Gerley Towe, Wellington Street,
Isaac Towe, Levin Road,
Elizabeth Conway, Silverwood,
Josephine Rowe (O'Hanlon) Church Walk,
Thomas Patterson, Prospect Way.

FRIDAY 1 JULY

Jimmy & May McAreavey, Manor Park,
Francis Byrne, Francis Street,
Elizabeth Bacon, Ulster Street.

SATURDAY 2 JULY

Catherine Thornbury, Brown Street,
James Haddock, Cafolla Gardens,
Isobel Mallon, Cypress Gardens,
George Smith, Ashwood.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

£1.799, thank you.