



PARISH of BALLYMONEY & DERRYKEIGHAN

26th January 2020
3rd Sunday of the Year
Sunday of the Word of God

BACK TO BASICS: THE WORD OF GOD

This weekend Fr Damian is continuing his sermons on the basics of living a spiritual life. After last week's talk about the Mass, he'll be speaking this time about the importance of the Word of God for our faith. We sometimes think that Protestant churches are more focused on the Bible than we are, but in fact scripture is everywhere in the Catholic tradition from the readings at Mass to the mysteries of the rosary.

And it's not only Fr Damian who is interested in God's Word this weekend. Pope Francis has asked that, starting this year, there will be a special 'Sunday of the Word of God' at this time. The Holy Father is inviting Catholics across the world to deepen their appreciation, love and witness to God and his Word. He also reminds us that the Bible is shared in common by all Christians and that our knowledge of the Bible brings us closer to the Christian unity we all pray for.



THIS WEEK

Sunday 9am Mass at Dervock
11am Mass at Ballymoney

All weekday services in Ballymoney.

Monday 10am Mass

Tuesday 10am Mass
Adoration 11am-3pm, 7-9pm
Confessions 8-8.45pm; Benediction 8.50pm

Wednesday 10am Mass

Friday 10am Mass in honour of St Brigid
attended by St Brigid's Primary School
No evening Mass or confessions today.

Saturday 10am Mass
St Brigid's Day
5.30-5.50pm Confessions
6pm Vigil Mass

YOUR OFFERINGS LAST WEEK

Weekly Offering: £ 1414.00
Living Youth: £ 614.00
Golden Mile: £ 21.00

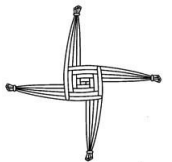
Next week's collections 1st/2nd February

Weekly Offering (for the parish)
Monthly Offering (for clergy)

Thank you so much for your generosity to all the Church collections.

FEAST OF ST BRIGID

A special Mass in honour of St Brigid, patroness of Ireland, will be celebrated on Friday 31st January at 10am. The children from St Brigid's Primary School will be attending. (Please note there will be no evening Mass or confessions on Friday).



St Brigid's Day itself falls on Saturday February 1st and there will be Mass for the feast at 10am.

ST BRIGID'S PS P1 REGISTRATION SEPTEMBER 2020

Is your child due to start P1 in September 2020? If so, please accept our warm invitation to visit St Brigid's PS at any time during the month of January. To make an appointment to visit the school please ring 02827662664 or visit our website www.stbrigidspsballymoney.com Registration is currently open and closes at 12noon on Thursday 30th January.

ARE YOU GETTING MARRIED IN 2020 or 2021?

It is a requirement for a Catholic marriage that the couple do a pre-marriage course before the big day. Catholic Engaged Encounter are running a two day pre-marriage course in the Castle Community Centre on Sat 21 & Sun 22 March 2020. This weekend will be a positive way of preparing for marriage where you will discover how you can enrich your future relationship. For more information or to book places visit: marriageencounter.ie or phone 028 2763 8512.

WE PRAY FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Anniversaries

Mary Coyles, Ellen Davis, Paul Devine, Roseanne Doran, Susan Graham, Brendan Kearney, Oliver Muldoon, Kathleen McAfee, Sister Mark McAfee, Daniel McColgan, Samuel McColgan, Sister Auxilia McKenna, Evelyn McVicker, Gabriel Mooney, Patrick Mooney, Sarah O'Connor



CONGRATULATIONS

to the family of Maja Robaszekwicz who was baptised here last week.

MINISTERS OF THE WORD

Current readers at Mass (and anyone who would like to become a reader) are invited to come along to a short meeting on Sunday 9th February 2020 after the 11am Mass. This will be an opportunity to meet each other and to see if we can improve how we are proclaiming God's Word and how our ministry is organised.

If you are unable to attend but would like to make any suggestions, please contact Edel Devlin on 07828919820 or email the parish office in advance.

SING GOSPEL

Come along and hear SING GOSPEL 2020 on Saturday 25th January 7.30pm at Portstewart Baptist Church, or on Saturday 1st February 7.30pm at the Diamond Hall, Ulster University, Coleraine. This is our own local Gospel choir composed of approximately 100 members of many of our local Christian Churches! Join us for one or both nights of praise and celebration! You won't be disappointed—it's a treat for the soul.

Tickets Adult £10 / U16 £5. Please purchase tickets in advance from RH Gault (Ballymoney), Practically Perfect (Railway Road, Coleraine) and Causeway School of Music (Coleraine) or contact Edel Devlin 07828 919 820

SINGING TOGETHER

Following the success of our impromptu singing at Father O'Brien's do, you are invited to come along to an informal sing-a-long in the parish hall on Wed 5 February at 7.30pm. It'll be a get together for the community, lasting for about an hour. Do come along if you can, and all musicians are especially welcome.



BEGINNING EXPERIENCE

Are you suffering the pain of loss of a partner? Looking for help and understanding? Beginning Experience (a support group for widowed, separated and divorced people) meets every Wednesday evening from 8pm to 10pm from Wednesday 22nd January 2020, in St Bride's Hall, Derryvolgie Ave, Malone Rd., Belfast. All welcome. For details please contact Phil Tel: 028 90 207645 or Marie Tel: 07896119669

NEXT WEEKEND—CANDLEMAS

Next Sunday is February 2nd—the feast of the Presentation of the Lord. It is also known as Candlemas and Mass begins with a blessing of candles. There will be hand candles for everyone at Mass, but blessed candles will also be available to take home.

HYMNS

Christ beside me, Christ before me,
Christ behind me, King of my heart;
Christ be within me, Christ be below me,
Christ be above me never to part.

Christ on my right hand, Christ on my left hand,
Christ all around me shield in the strife;
Christ in my sleeping, Christ in my sitting,
Christ in my rising, light of my life.

Christ be in all hearts thinking about me,
Christ be on all tongues telling of me.
Christ be the vision in eyes that see me,
In ears that hear me Christ ever be.



Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;
Naught be all else to me, save that thou art -
Thou my best thought, in the day and the night;
Waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise;
Thou mine inheritance, now and always;
Thou and thou only the first in my heart,
High King of heaven, my treasure thou art.

High King of heaven, my victory won,
Grant heaven's joys to me, bright heaven's sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
Still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

Notices for the bulletin should be submitted to the Parish Office by 1pm on Wednesdays. Notices can be emailed or left at the Parochial House. Anniversaries can be left in the box in the porch of Our Lady & St Patrick's.

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LITURGY

Readers

1/2 February

6.00pm Jim Henry
11.00am Liam Baird

Daily Readers

Group C (27th Jan)

Eucharistic Ministers

Group 2 Maura Gillan
(1st Feb)

GENERAL

Cleaning Team

February St Brigid's

Coffee Morning in the Parish Hall

Wednesday 29th January after 10am Mass

Parish Hall

Ladies Keep Fit Class Mon 7.00-8.00pm

PARISH GROUPS

St Vincent de Paul Soc.: 07860 455 549

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