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The Mission of Loughgilly Parish Pastoral Council is ... "To be aware of our Parish needs, bringing together God's people to enrich and develop our faith, so that we may reflect the image of a true disciple of Christ".

CONFESSIONS: Each Saturday at 6.30pm SATURDAY VIGIL MASS: (Alternates between St Malachy's and St Brigid's at 7.00 pm) St Brigid's @ 7.00pm 7th October 14th October St Malachy's @ 7.00pm SUNDAY MORNING MASS: St Laurence O'Toole's @ 10am St Teresa's @11.30am

ADORATION:

Tuesday 7pm – 9pm in St Brigid's Church. NORMAL WEEKDAY MASS TIMES: Tuesday: St Laurence O'Toole's@10.00am St Teresa's @ 10.00am Wednesday: Thursday: St Malachy's @ 10.00am First Friday Only: St Brigid's @ 10.00am (In the event of a Funeral, 10am Mass will be cancelled)

Weekly Parish Bulletin – 8thOctober 2023 **RECENTLY DECEASED** Margaret Deighan. LOUGHGILLY PARISH ANNIVERSARIES: Saturday 7th October – St Brigid's @ 7.00pm Pat Connolly MM Sunday 8th Oct - St Laurence O'Toole's @ 10am Sheila O'Callaghan Saturday 14th October – St Malachy's @ 7.00pm Michael Finnegan Sally McVerry Terence McCooey Barry Malone **Eugene Malone** Sunday 15th Oct – St Laurence O'Toole's @ 10am Gene & Madge McNamee Sunday 15th Oct – St Teresa's @ 11.30am Claire Toner Seamus & Eileen Carr & DM John & Nora Mooney

UPCOMING MASS CHANGES THIS WEEK

Mass as normal this Tuesday Morning at 10am. NO MORNING MASS on Wednesday or Thursday.

CELIAC HOSTS

Hosts suitable for Celiac's are now available in all Churches. (Please notify Priest before Mass)

READERS ROTA

New Readers Rota is now available online. Copies of these are also available from Church Sacristies.

PARISH COLLECTIONS

1st October – Main Collection 92 Env £962.50 1st October - Priest Dues 115 ENV £1640.18 PARISH QR DONATE CODE



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Our Diary for the year has been updated and now includes the dates for Sacraments/Feast/Blessing of Graves etc these can be found by visiting our website. https://parishofloughgilly.com/events/



NOVEMBER – MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS

Lists of the dead are in the Church porches. Please write your list of deceased family members and place along with Mass Donation in the envelopes provided. Place your envelopes in the Collection Basket at any time during October. These lists of the dead will then be remembered at all Masses in the parish during November and on each First Friday of the month throughout the year.

MASS FOR OUR FAITHFULLY DEPARTED

Our Annual Mass for those who have died over the last year will take place in St Malachy's Church on 2nd November at 7.00pm. In preparation for this could anyone who would like to carry up a candle at the ceremony please email the Parish Office with the name of their deceased loved one, the date of their death and the name of the person carrying the candle to the Altar.



NEW PARISH DRAW

This year will be the Tenth Anniversary of the Parish Draw and it has greatly supported the ongoing maintenance costs towards the Parish Churches. We hope that this year can be our most successful draw yet and that every Parishioner will support it.

We do need new sellers in all areas - if you can assist please contact the Parish Office! We would be grateful if the usual sellers could collect their tickets from Fr Murphy at Masses this weekend or alternatively call to the Parish Office during normal hours.

For other details of our draw, including past winners please visit: https://parishofloughgilly.com/parish-draw/



PARISH MASS CARD -DECEASED/GET WELL/ **BIRTHDAY/INTENTIONS**

Cards are now available from the Parish Office (Tuesday -Thursday 10.30am-2.30pm) the Church Sacristies, Whitecross and Belleeks Shops. Proceeds will go to Parish Funds. A Mass will be celebrated each month in the Parish for the intentions listed.

PUBLICATION OF THE HISTORY OF OUR PARISH CHURCHES

As our Churches continue to be renovated, we would hope to create a publication of the History of our four Churches within the Parish, as a testament to the Faith and Dedication of past generations and an encouragement to this present generation to continue to preserve the fabric of our Holy places and also the Faith that they represent. Therefore, we would invite Parishioners who are interested in collectively compiling and creating this publication, to please contact the Parish Office.

ASSISI PASTORAL CENTRE

We hope to begin activities in the Pastoral Centre in the very near future. However, we do need volunteers to assist with these various activities. If you can volunteer for an hour or two per week please contact the Parish Office, there are volunteering opportunities to suit everyone. Thank you.

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This year the Parish will be supporting our Families and our Schools in preparing both our First Holy Communion and Confirmation Children by introducing a preparation Program called MyFaith. This MyFaith Program is excellent in guiding families through their faith and helping families to prepare their child for the Sacraments.

We will begin the first stages of this program at the Ceremony of Light for Confirmation Children and the Enrolment Ceremony for First Holt Communion Children. We ask Parishioners to give a welcome to families and particular the young people who perhaps normally attend Mass in a different Church.

Ceremony of Light - St Teresa's on 22nd October at 11.30am Enrolment Ceremony - St Malachy's on 11th November 7.00pm

BAPTISMS:

1st Saturday of the Month in St Malachy's at 6.00pm. (Book on Parish Website)

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday 10.30am-2.30pm

SVP Helpline: 07561011117

CHURCH FUNDRAISERS

As Parishioners are aware, together we have been carrying out renovations to all our Churches in the Parish as was the wish of Parishioners.

We have now almost completely refurbished both St Brigid's and St Teresa's Churches.

Our focus is now firmly on the renovation of our two remaining Churches with the Windows in Ballymoyer and the Roof in Belleeks being the main items.

Our Donate a Slate campaign for Belleeks Church and the Darkness to Light Campaign for Ballymoyer Church has been ongoing over the last number of weeks.

The response to the **Donate a Slate campaign** has been going well and therefore we hope to begin the roof works as soon as we reach the £20,000.00 goal, with the rest of the funds needed, we hope, coming in as the project progresses.

The Darkness to Light Campaign for the Windows in Ballymoyer has been a little slower however we hope that donations will increase in the coming weeks. Two Windows have now been started in the Church and we hope these will be completed by late October, if we have sufficient funds available, we will continue with the other windows, this however will depend on donations received.

We continue to appeal to Parishioners to let family and friends know about our fundraising efforts and encourage them to visit our website at

https://parishofloughgilly.com/fundraising/ to find out how to make a donation online. Envelopes are also available at all Church doors. Simply return these to the Parish Office or in the Sunday collection basket.

Additionally we also have our new Parish Draw beginning and we encourage everyone to purchase a ticket or perhaps consider selling tickets for the Draw.

Thank you to all who continue to support the Parish in any way.

EMERGENCY SICK CALLS

In the event of an emergency sick call for those living at home Parishioners should contact the Parochial House on For those who are in hospital you should ask the Ward Sister to contact the Chaplain. Pastoral Area contact number in case of being unable to contact me are: Cullyhanna – Canon Toner – 02830861235 Crossmaglen – Fr Maloney - 02830861208