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Weekly Parish Bulletin – 7th April 2024 **RECENTLY DECEASED** Michael Deighan, John McParland. LOUGHGILLY PARISH ANNIVERSARIES:

Saturday 6th April – St Malachy's @ 7.00pm

Thomas McVerry Richard, Elizabeth, Hugh & John Bradley May, John & Eilish Gibney Benny & Susie Feehan Frank & Mary Kennon Maureen & John McParland Peter, Tommy, Kevin & Francie McCann Sunday 7th April – St Brigid's @ 10.00am Frances McGivern Sunday 7th April - St Teresa's @ 11.30am Kathleen Ward & DM Saturday 13th April - St Malachy's @ 7.00pm John Cunningham 1st Anniversary Sunday 14th April – St Brigid's @ 10.00am John McParland MM Sally Markey 1st Anniversary Eileen McParland Margaret O'Hare Sunday 14th April – St Teresa's @ 11.30am Bernie Carter

PARISH COLLECTIONS

Easter Sunday-Main Collection 122 Envelopes - £1853.36 Priest Easter Dues – 110 Envelopes £ 1599.50

TROCAIRE DONATIONS

Donations for Trocaire can be placed in an Envelope marked TROCAIRE and put in the collection basket on the weekend of Sunday 7th April. Please make all cheques payable to Loughgilly Parish.

BLESSING OF GRAVES

Saturday 25th May 2024 – St Malachy's Church @ 7.00pm Sunday 26th May 2024 – St Laurence O'Toole's @10.00am Sunday 26th May 2024 – St Teresa's Church @ 11.30am

EMERGENCY SICK CALLS

In the event of an emergency sick call for those living at home, Parishioners should contact the Parochial House. 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

Parish of Loughgilly

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".



MENS SHED – Gathering of Mens Shed continues this coming Thursday in the Assisi Centre at 7.30pm for a mug of Tea and a bit of Craic. All Welcome No commitment expected, just come along for an hour and enjoy the craic! Men's Shed is an informal group of men who meet up for a chat with each other, create things and keep busy.

PARENT AND TODDLER GROUP – Begins this

Wednesday 10th April 10am-11.30am This is open to everyone, with children getting some toast and juice and parents having the opportunity for a chat over a tea/coffee.

LECTIO DIVINA GROUP – Group will commence on Thursday 11th April at 7.00pm. Lectio is a meditative way of reading the Bible in which we let go of our own agendas and open ourselves to what God is trying to say to us.



We have a number of ways in which people can support the Parish to repair and maintain our four churches such as:

- Contribute weekly to the Parish weekly collection and if you pay tax by signing up to the Gift Aid scheme. Therefore allowing the Parish to claim an extra 25p on every £1 you donate at no cost to yourself. As you are aware from the bulletin only about 113 envelopes are returned each weekend, we would therefore encourage anyone without an envelope to contact the parish – and then to use it weekly.
- Donate to the "Donate a Slate" or "Darkness into **Light**" campaign online at

www.parishofloughgilly.com/fundraising/ or pick up a donation envelope from any of our Churches.

- Parishioners can make a donation by visiting the Parish Office during opening hours.

CONFESSIONS: Each Saturday at 6.30pm SATURDAY VIGIL MASS: St Malachy's @ 7.00pm SUNDAY MORNING MASS: St Brigid's @ 10.00am St Teresa's @11.30am

ADORATION:

Tuesday 7pm – 9pm in St Brigid's Church. NORMAL WEEKDAY MASS TIMES: Tuesday: St Brigid'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)

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WHAT IS GIFT AID?

Gift Aid is the government's scheme that enables charities and donors to reclaim tax on charitable giving. Parish of Loughgilly is a registered charity so we are able to claim tax back from HM Revenue & Customs. SO WHAT DOES IT MEAN?

Gift aid works by allowing charities to reclaim tax on the 'gross' equivalent of the donation (i.e. its value before tax was deducted) at the basic rate, which is currently 20%. To put £1 into the collection, you will have earned £1.25 and paid 25p (this is 20% of £1.25) in tax before you had it to spend, or donate. In practice, this means that every £1 you donate using Gift Aid, our parish can claim an additional 25p from HMRC, and so get £1.25 from your donation without it costing you anything more. HOW DOES IT WORK?

You make a 'Gift Aid declaration' to our Parish, in writing, and we can then reclaim the tax you have paid. There has to be a record of what you give, so we ask you either to use envelopes for cash, give by cheque, give by standing order or give by bankers order. The declaration will cover everything you give.

HOW DOES IT COST ME?

It costs you absolutely nothing! You are giving to our Parish anyway, the charity simply asks the Government to redirect to us some of the tax you have paid.

WHAT IF YOU PAY TAX AT A HIGHER RATE?

Better still, if you are a higher rate tax payer. You will receive additional relief, which you will need to claim via your tax code or through your self assessment. Seek advice from the Inland Revenue or your tax advisor. WHAT HAPPENS IF I STOP PAYING ENOUGH TAX?

Simply ask us to cancel your declaration. If you don't, then you could be sent a bill by the Inland Revenue for any tax claimed by us that you have not paid. If in future you start paying sufficient tax again, you can make a new declaration. WHAT SHOULD I DO NOW FOR MY PARISH TO BENEFIT FROM MY TAX?

Simply fill in the Gift Aid Declaration below and return it to the church or Parish Office in a sealed envelope. For any further information please contact either the parish at 028 37507214 or email info@parishofloughgilly.com.

| GIFT AID DECLARATION - | for past, present and future donations. |
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| Name of charity - | LOUGHGILLY PARISH TRUST XN47916 |
| Please treat as Gift Aid dona | ations all qualifying gifts of money made: |

Today

In the past 4 years

in the future

I confirm I have paid or will pay an amount of income Tax and/or Capital Gains Tax for each tax year (6 April to 5th April) that is at least equal to the amount of tax that all the charities or Community Amateur Sports Clubs(CASCs) that I donate to will reclaim on my gifts for that tax year. I understand that other taxes such as VAT and Council Tax do not qualify. I understand the charity will reclaim 25p of tax on every £1 that I gave according to my selection above and will continue to claim gift aid until I notify them of a wish to change this agreement.

Donor's Details

| _First Name or initial(s) | |
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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

AND SUPPORT OUR PARISH

: (Please tick all boxes you wish to apply.)

Date