



PARISH PRIEST

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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:

St Malachy’s @ 7.00pm

SUNDAY MORNING MASS:

St Brigid’s @ 10.00am

St Teresa’s @ 11.30am

ADORATION:

Tuesday 7pm – 9pm & 1st Friday 6-7pm in St Brigid’s Church.

NORMAL WEEKDAY MASS TIMES:

Tuesday: St Brigid’s @ 10.00am

Wednesday: St Teresa’s @ 10.00am

Thursday: St Malachy’s @ 10.00am

First Friday Only: St Brigid’s @ 7.00pm

(In the event of a Funeral, 10am Mass will be cancelled)

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

Weekly Parish Bulletin – 30th June 2024

RECENTLY DECEASED:

Fr Seamus Rice PE, Thomas Toner

LOUGHGILLY PARISH ANNIVERSARIES:

Sunday 30th June – St Brigid’s @ 10.00am

Elizabeth Murphy

Sunday 30th June – St Teresa’s @ 11.30am

Bridget & Tommy Boyle

Thomas & Josephine Rafferty & DM

Elizabeth Burke

Wednesday 3rd July – St Teresa’s @ 10.00am

Mass Card Bouquet Intentions

Saturday 6th July - St Malachy’s @ 7.00pm

FAMILY MASS

Eddie Murphy

Peggy, Mickey & Eugene Leonard

Peter & Mary Boyle

Rose Morgan

Sean Smyth

Conn Malone

Sunday 7th July – St Brigid’s @ 10.00am

Angela O’Callaghan

Elizabeth McVerry

Paschal Toner

PARISH COLLECTIONS

23rd June – Main Collection 114 Envelopes - £1440.08

Peters Pence Collection will be taken up as a second collection after Holy Communion this Weekend.

Peters Pence Collection helps Pope Francis in his mission, which extends throughout the world: from the proclamation of the Gospel to the promotion of human development, education, peace and humanitarian interventions in the most diverse situations of need.

First Friday Sick Calls – I will visit those on my sick list this coming Wednesday and Thursday Morning.

MASS CHANGE

There will be NO MASS this coming Tuesday Morning.



The Parish is seeking volunteers to assist with our Baptism Preparation Course. This would involve 2 hours per month where you would assist with guiding families through preparation for the Sacrament of Baptism. Full training will be given, if interested please speak to Fr Murphy.



Mass for First Friday takes place this coming Friday at 7.00pm in St Brigid’s Church. At this Mass we remember all those listed on our Parish Mass Cards for deceased and Parish lists of the Dead.
During this Mass we also continue our Novena to St Brigid in this year dedicated to St Brigid.

Eucharist Adoration takes place for First Friday 6pm-7pm.

Family Participation at Mass

Have you booked an Anniversary Mass for a deceased loved one?



If you would like to assist in the Mass by leading the Prayers of the Faithful or bringing forwards the gifts of Bread and Wine in the Offertory please contact the Parish Office.



Our First Family Mass takes place on Saturday 6th July in St Malachy’s Church at 7.00pm. Everyone is welcome. Readings, Hymns and Prayers will be Child friendly.

PARISH HISTORY GROUP

“Loughgilly Parish - Past to Present!” Following a recent meeting – (more to follow) it was decided that a Parishioner Teresa Walsh would make contact with a number of people in the Parish who may have some local knowledge of our History, if Teresa is in contact with you, we would really appreciate any insight you can share with us. We continue to seek old Photos or Articles relating to the Parish – Particularly concerning Churches and Schools. Thanks You

EMERGENCY SICK CALLS - In the event of an emergency sick call for those at home, contact the Parochial House. For those who are in hospital, 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



Saint Brigid – St Brigid’s Camino for Children

Join the Archdiocese of Armagh in celebrating the 1500th anniversary of St. Brigid's life and ministry!

To mark this occasion the Archdiocese has created a special Camino to St. Brigid for children, inviting children and their families to visit Churches and holy sites dedicated to St. Brigid across the Archdiocese of Armagh.

Discover more and learn about how to participate in this unique pilgrimage journey at <https://www.armaghprays.com/st-brigids-camino>

Parish Fun Day – Sunday 11th August

As the Parish prepares for our fun day we will need a significant number of volunteers to assist with this. If you can help with any aspect of the day, you are asked to please contact the Parish Office by phone or email or **Sign up at Mass this Weekend.**

Currently we would like to hear from the following people:

Stewards – this will involve a minimum of one hour supervising an activity.

Catering Support – We hope to have a BBQ and also some traybakes and tea/coffee.

Musicians/Dancers – If you can assist in the entertainment area either by playing, singing or dancing please get in touch.

First Aiders – While we hope you are not busy we would like people on standby.

Lorry and Stage – if you have access to a curtain lorry or low stage for dancing we would love to hear from you.

Car Parking attendants – Cars will park in fields around the grounds but will need direction.

Excerpt from Catholic Bishops relating to upcoming Elections

There is hope – when I can live free from addiction!

There is another rapidly growing threat to life and hope in our society, one that we see on the streets of our cities every day, but also lurks, with increasing social acceptance, in the homes and social venues of communities across the north. This is the near epidemic levels of substance abuse, and the violent criminal industry in legal and illegal drugs that sustains it. It is no exaggeration to say that access to drugs in our society is out of control, becoming more socially acceptable and causing untold damage to individuals, families and whole communities. It is also placing huge additional pressures on our health and policing services.

There is an urgent need to address the drugs crisis in our society in a well-resourced, multi-disciplinary way, primarily as a social and medical issue, rather than as a criminal issue to be dealt with as a revolving door phenomenon by the police and prisons. The Irish Bishops’ Drugs Initiative has previously proposed the removal or reduction in criminal penalties for the possession and use of small quantities of drugs, in favour of treating such situations as a public health issue, and prioritising treatment, care, education programmes and longer-term personal development. We take the opportunity of the forthcoming election to re-state this appeal to our politicians. De-criminalise the taking of drugs by those who have become their victim. Give them reasons to hope by providing adequate residential, expert multi-disciplinary support to set them free to live their lives again with confidence and purpose. The north of Ireland does not have, but urgently needs expert, multi-disciplinary residential care for those who have become addicted to drugs specifically. *And so, we encourage voters to ask their candidates: Will you work to secure funding for the first residential facility here to help those addicted to drugs, that they can get the expert, multi-disciplinary help they need to become free of their addiction? Will you work for the removal or reduction in criminal penalties for the possession and use of small quantities of drugs, in favour of treating such situations as a public health issue, and prioritising treatment, care, education programmes and longer-term personal development?*

Full Statement can be found here:

<https://www.catholicbishops.ie/2024/06/25/northern-bishops-give-reasons-to-hope-statement-on-westminster-elections/>