

PARISH PRIEST

Very Rev. Malachy Murphy PP **CONTACT US: 02837507214**

www.parishofloughgilly.com E-mail: info@parishofloughgilly.com

Facebook: Loughgilly Parish

CONFESSIONS: Each Saturday at 5.30pm **SATURDAY VIGIL MASS:** St Malachy's @ 6.00pm

> **SUNDAY MORNING MASS:** St Brigid's @ 10.00am

St Teresa's @11.30am

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)

ADORATION:

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

BAPTISMS:

1st Saturday of the Month in St Malachy's at 5.00pm. (Book on Parish Website)

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday 10.30am-2.30pm

SVP Helpline: 07561011117

Weekly Parish Bulletin – 27th April 2025



Our Recently Deceased

Peggy McParland, Annie Morgan, nee Toner, Birkenhead, Seamus Doyle, Kyle Toner.

LOUGHGILLY PARISH ANNIVERSARIES:

Saturday 26th April – St Malachy's Church @ 6.00pm

Tommy & Mary Mackin Gerard Canning

Sunday 27th April – St Brigid's Church @ 10.00am

Eugene & Teresa O'Callaghan

First Friday 2nd May – St Brigid's Church @ 7.00pm Memorial Mass for Pope Francis

Deceased Parish Mass Card & List of the Dead Sunday 4th May – St Brigid's Church @ 10.00am

Kathleen O'Callaghan & DM

Sunday 4th May – St Teresa's Church @ 11.30am

Fr Michael, Pat & Ted Rogers

PARISH COLLECTIONS

20th April - Main Collection £1627.62 - 120 Envelopes Thank you for your ongoing support.

Parishioners are asked to change all coins from their Trocaire Boxes into notes and place them in the Envelope provided in the Parish box of Envelopes over the next week. Please make any cheques payable to Parish of Loughgilly so they can be banked and funds sent onwards.

PARISH ENVELOPES

New Parish Envelopes are at the back of the three Churches, please collect these this weekend. If you can not find your envelopes, please contact the Parish Office.

PARISH BANK DETAILS

Main Parish Account Details — (Weekly Envelopes)

Name: Loughgilly Parish Trust

Sort Code: - 98-11-40

Account Number: 14410270 **Parish Dues Donations**

Name: Loughgilly Parish Trust - Clergy Account

Sort Code: 98-11-40 Account Number: 14410437

FIRST FRIDAY CALLS AND MASS

I will visit those on my sick call list this coming Tuesday Morning. (If you are aware of someone who is ill and unable to attend Mass, who wishes to receive a monthly visit please ask them to contact the Parish Office.) First Friday Mass is Celebrated in St Brigid's Church at 7pm this coming Friday.

Adoration takes place from 6pm-7pm – All Welcome.



Our local churches hold a special place in our hearts. Apart from our regular services in them, we all have very personal memories of them – Christenings, Weddings, Funerals, First Communions and Confirmations – we all have our own stories of our local church. They have stood the test of time and please God, they will continue to stand proud in the landscape of our parish for many, many years to come. Parishioner and local artist, Frances McLoughlin has captured the beauty of each of our four churches in a series of captivating paintings which are simply stunning. Frances has very kindly agreed to donate prints of her paintings to the parish which we will sell as part of our fundraising efforts. The paintings will be on display in St Malachy's Church and are now available to purchase.

These prints will hang beautifully in your home as a constant reminder of the special memories you have of your local church. They will also make special gifts for family and friends, particularly those who are no longer in our parish. We will provide more details of how to purchase in due course but in the meantime, I want to thank Frances for her kind support of our parish fundraising activities.

Browse and Purchase online at

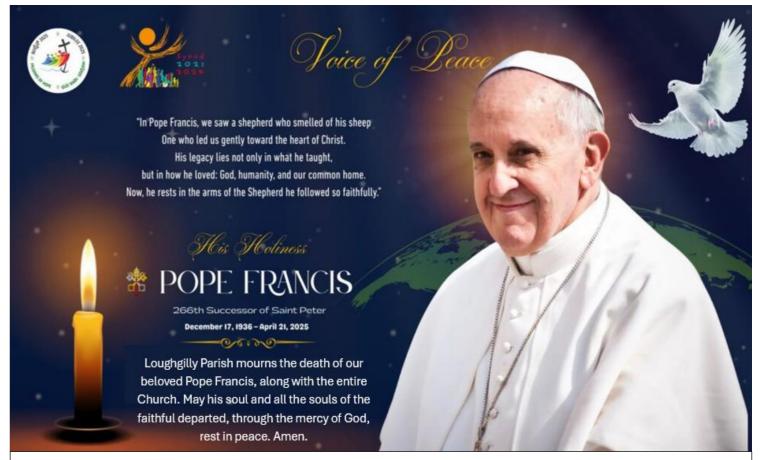
https://parishofloughgilly.com/captured-in-time/

If you wish to order either Captured in Time Prints or Cards and are unable to purchase through the webpage you can call the Parish office and Payments can be taken over the phone.



We are thrilled to announce that, thanks to the dedicated efforts of the Church Fundraising Group, we have secured funds to commence much-needed work on the roof of St. Laurence O'Toole's Church. The repair work has now begun on the Church. In addition to these repairs, we will be seeking external funding to undertake a full restoration project for the church.

Donations are always welcome towards the restoration of the Churches in the Parish. Both the Donate a Slate and the Darkness into Light fundraisers are still ongoing.



Dear Parishioners.

With a mix of profound sorrow and heartfelt gratitude, we gather today. With the passing of our beloved Pope Francis, his death leaves a void in the life of the Church, a void we feel keenly. Yet, alongside this sorrow, we also celebrate his extraordinary legacy, Pope Francis who, for twelve years, guided our Church with exceptional pastoral care. His ministry has been a beacon of hope, reminding us of the profound love and compassion at the heart of our faith.

Pope Francis, in his time as Bishop of Rome, has demonstrated a remarkable example of humility, simplicity, and dedication to the Gospel. His commitment to listening to the marginalized, the poor, and the voiceless was evident in every word and action. He tirelessly championed the causes of peace, justice, and mercy, often challenging the comfortable and the complacent, urging us to confront the systemic inequalities in our world with a renewed spirit of compassion. He reminded us that the Church is not a static institution, but a living organism, constantly called to conversion and renewal, and to embrace the challenges and opportunities of our time.

His approach to dialogue and ecumenical outreach brought closer communities that were once divided, and his consistent message of universal brotherhood and sisterhood resonated deeply with people across the globe. The way he communicated with simplicity, clarity, and a genuine warmth, cut through the complexities of our modern age.

As we remember the legacy of Pope Francis and embrace the challenges ahead, let us draw inspiration from his example. Let us follow his call to strive for justice, peace, and reconciliation; to be merciful and compassionate; to listen with open hearts to those on the periphery; and to strive to be instruments of God's love in our communities. Let us, as missionaries of Christ, carry forward the torch which Pope Francis has so brightly held, and seek to build a world more just, more peaceful, and more reflective of the Gospel message.

May God grant us the wisdom and strength to continue the work he has so diligently and generously started.

A Memorial Mass will be celebrated for Pope Francis in St Brigid's Church this coming Friday evening at 7pm we invite Parishioners to attend and to pray for the happy repose of the soul of Pope Francis.