



PARISH PRIEST

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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 – 11th May 2025



LOUGHGILLY PARISH ANNIVERSARIES:

Sunday 18th May – St Brigid's Church @ 10.00am

Brigid Hayes 1st Anniversary

Peter, Rose & Michael Markey

Malachy Murphy & DM Murphy, McHugh & Hughes Families

Arthur, Madge and Nellie Mc Donnell



THIS WEEKEND MASSES

Owing to First Holy Communion in the Parish at 10am in St Teresa's Tullyherron (**Limited space available**) and 12 noon in St Malachy's Church (**No seats available**) the only Weekend Mass in the Parish will be celebrated in St Malachy's Church at 6pm on Saturday 10th May. We ask Parishioners to please attend this Mass if possible. Please note normal weekend Parish Collection will take place at all three Masses next weekend.

PARISH COLLECTIONS

Details will be given in next weeks Bulletin.

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

Parish Draw

Parish Draw will take place on Tuesday 13th May.

Sellers, please have all monies in before this date.

MAY – MONTH DEDICATED TO OUR BLESSED LADY



As we journey through the Month of May, Rosary at the Churches will continue. From Sunday 11th May at 8pm, the Rosary will be prayed each evening in St Malachy's Church.



Browse and Purchase Prints 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.



Over the past few years, our Parish has been able to save significant funds thanks to the dedicated volunteer efforts in maintaining our three cemeteries. These savings have allowed us to carry out essential works on our churches and other Parish facilities.

A heartfelt thank you to the families who have generously volunteered to mow and maintain specific areas of the cemeteries. Your ongoing support is greatly appreciated. However, we are currently in need of additional volunteers for Tullyherron and Ballymoyer cemeteries, as some of our regular helpers are no longer available. If you are willing to assist by mowing or maintaining a designated section, please contact the Parish Office. Additionally, we require someone to empty the skip at Tullyherron Cemetery. The skip is currently full and needs to be emptied soon, especially in preparation for our upcoming Blessing of the Graves Masses. We extend our sincere thanks to all who have supported the Parish through these practical efforts. Your contributions greatly benefit our families and the wider community.

Financial Details – 1st April 2023 – 31st March 2024

Statement of Accounts ending March

Incoming resources

	2023	2024
Envelope & church door collection	£84,104.00	£80,968.00
Special collections received	£4,109.00	£3,645.00
Shrines and candelabra	£3,516.00	£4,509.00
Parish fundraising	£34,975.00	£64,495.00
Clergy Revenue	£15,470.00	£16,285.00
Gift Aid	£9,802.00	£15,281.00
Legacies and donations	£6,103.00	£7,401.00
Investment income	£1,018.00	£94.00
Cemetery income	£0.00	£4,000.00
Other	£150.00	£1,289.00
Grant Income	£3,000.00	£4,000.00
Total incoming resources	£162,247.00	£201,967.00

Direct Expenditure

Churches	£38,807.00	£146,351.00
Parochial houses	£16,222.00	£26,960.00
Fundraising expenses	£8,700.00	
Special collections disbursed	£4,109.00	£3,645.00
Shop purchases/stipends paid	£0.00	£9,300.00
Clergy Stipends	£16,140.00	£16,140.00
CDF Parish Levy	£4,500.00	£4,500.00
Diocesan Bishop Levy	£225.00	£225.00
Priests' Benevolent Fund	£3,800.00	£3,800.00
Finance charges	£2,036.00	£3,539.00
Sundry	£82.00	£5,609.00
Depreciation	£7,851.00	£7,851.00
Administration costs	£23,992.00	£25,234.00
Total direct expenditure	£126,464.00	£253,154.00

CHANGES TO DIOCESAN LEVIES – *Explanation leaflets available in the Churches*

As previously mentioned, the levies paid by our Parish last year amounted to £8,525, with an additional £174.10 contributed towards the Student Priest Education Fund from the Special Collection. In total, our payments to the Diocese amounted to **£8,699.10**. These levies support various costs, including staff expenses at the Diocesan Office. To provide more transparency, the Archdiocese has printed an information leaflet outlining what these levies contribute towards. Copies are available at the back of the Churches. Due to current levy costs exceeding the actual expenses, a decision has been made to revise the levy structure, effective immediately: **Central Diocesan Fund (CDF) Levy:** 12% of our annual income from Weekly Collections, Gift Aid, and Shrines/Candelabra offerings. Based on this calculation, the Parish's new contribution will be approximately **£12,090.96**. **Student Priest Education Fund Levy:** 6% of the same income sources, amounting to about **£6,045.48**. The **Priests' Benevolent Fund** contribution will remain at **£3,800** annually. **Total Parish payments are therefore expected to increase from £8,699.10 to approximately £21,936.44.** While many Parishes have expressed concerns about these changes, this is the current structure set by the Diocese. To help support the Parish financially, we encourage anyone who pays tax to sign up for **Gift Aid**, which can significantly benefit our Parish. Please note that **Special Collections are not included** in the levy calculations. To assist with parish projects such as Family Events and Youth Ministry, we have included Parish Development Envelopes in this year's donation boxes.

Dear Parishioners,

You will see across the Financial details of the Parish for the year ending March 2024, unfortunately we are not able to publish financial records until the full Archdiocese Audit is completed.

Income Notes

Please note an increase in income last year, largely attributed to the "Donate a Slate" and "Darkness into Light" fundraising campaigns, which are still running, further details at

www.parishofloughgilly.com/fundraising

Expenditure Notes

In relation to the expenditure, you will notice a significant increase in the Church expenditure, this is partially due to the increase in fuel and electricity costs as well as payments for works carried out on St Laurence O'Toole's and St Malachy's Churches and a final payment for works on St Teresa Church. We draw your attention to the three columns highlighted in yellow, these are levies which the Parish has had to pay annually for many years and is based on the number of families we have in the Parish.

Parish Loans

While in previous years the Parish had a loan from the Archdiocese, we are happy to say that this loan has now been totally paid off, this however was paid back in the Financial Year ending March 2025 and therefore is not documented across.