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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:**

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| Tuesday: | St Brigid's @ 10.00am |
| Wednesday: | St Teresa's @ 10.00am |
| Thursday: | St Malachy's @ 10.00am |

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

**ADORATION:**
*Tuesday 7pm – 8pm in Assisi Centre.*
**BAPTISMS:**
1st Saturday of the Month in St Malachy's at 5.00pm. (*Book on Parish Website)*

**PARISH OFFICE HOURS**
Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday
10.00am - 2.00pm

**SVP Helpline: 07561011117**

# *Parish Bulletin – Sunday 9th August 2026*

## OUR RECENTLY DECEASED:

***Elizabeth McParland***

## LOUGHGILLY PARISH ANNIVERSARIES:

**Saturday 8th August – St. Malachy's**
Teresa Savage
**Sunday 9th August – St Brigid's @ 10.00am**
James Babe
Seamus O'Callaghan
Benedict & Lilian Savage
**Sunday 9th August – St Teresa's @11.30am**
**Redmond O'Hanlon 1st Anniversary**
**Saturday 15th August – St Brigid's @10.00am**
**Holy Day of Obligation – Feast of the Assumption**
**Vincent Hughes**
**Saturday 15st August – St Malachy's @ 6pm**
Majella O'Hare
Noel Lavelle
**Sunday 16th August – St Teresa's @11.30am**
Eddie & Lily Garvey
Alfie Ward

## PARISH COLLECTIONS

26th July – 108 Env - £1214.11
2nd August – 126 Env - £1599.33
Priest Dues Env - £115.00

## VISIT OF WHITE FATHERS TO THE PARISH:

A Priest from the **Missionaries of Africa (*White Fathers*)** will celebrate and speak at all Masses on the weekend of - **15th/16th August,** in relation to their Missionary work.
Donation Envelopes are available in the Church. If you wish to make a donation, please place it in their envelope and return it to them on the weekend of 15th/16th August. **We keep all Missionaries in our Prayers.**

## UPCOMING COLLECTIONS

Next Saturday, a special collection will be taken at our Mass for the Feast of the Assumption to support our Seminarians' Education.

Additionally, a second collection will be held after Holy Communion next weekend to contribute towards the Diocesan Taxes.

The Diocesan Taxes, approximately £12,000 annually, are levied on the parish to cover essential costs such as staffing the Diocesan Office, which includes personnel in Youth Ministry, Safeguarding, and Finance. Your generosity helps to alleviate this financial burden and ensures the continued delivery of vital services across the diocese.

Thank you for your support.

## NOVENA TO OUR LADY OF KNOCK, ST PIO + OTHER DATES

Details of Novenas and many other dates (Including Sacraments – Confirmation subject to change) over the next year are now available on our Parish Website!

**Newtownhamilton & District First Responders**

🚨WE'RE RECRUITING! 🚨
Become a Community First Responder and be a real lifesaver in your community❤️
We're looking for people in: 📍Newtownhamilton, Whitecross, Belleeks, Dorsey, Glenanne, Clady, Ballymacnab — and everywhere in between!
No experience needed — just a willingness to help others
✔️Full training provided
📆Recruit Course: Saturday 19 & Sunday 20 September 2026
📍NIAS Trust HQ, Knockbracken, Belfast
📝Applicants must be available for both days.
🔍Access NI checks & e-learning must be completed before the course begins.
📩Applications are NOW OPEN! ⏳Apply before 10 August
💬Get in touch to find out more or to apply — we'd love to hear from you! 😊
Contact via Newtownhamilton & District First Responders Facebook Page.



## FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Celebrated every year on August 15, the Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary commemorates the death of Mary and her bodily assumption into Heaven, before her body could begin to decay—a foretaste of our own bodily resurrection at the end of time.
Because it signifies the Blessed Virgin's passing into eternal life, it is the most important of all Marian feasts and a **Holy Day of Obligation**.
Mass for the Feast will be celebrated in St. Brigid's Church, Carrickannaney on **Saturday 15th August at 10.00 am.**

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary into Heaven at the end of her earthly life is a defined dogma of the Catholic Church.

On November 1, 1950, Pope Pius XII, exercising papal infallibility, declared in *Munificentissimus Deus* that it is a dogma of the Church "that the Immaculate Mother of God, the ever Virgin Mary, having completed the course of her earthly life, was assumed body and soul into heavenly glory." As a dogma, the Assumption is a required belief of all Catholics; anyone who publicly dissents from the dogma, Pope Pius declared, "has fallen away completely from the divine and Catholic Faith."




