



Galloon Parish Third Sunday of Lent. 24th March 2019

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The Fig Tree. In today's Gospel Jesus' response to the difficult question on suffering is to focus on the living. We are still alive and therefore should be producing much fruit. In the parable of the fig tree we hear that the tree is not producing any fruit and probably should be cut down. However the owner of the vineyard agrees to give it one more year, during which it is given special attention. Perhaps those who are questioning Jesus need, like the fig tree, much fertiliser, nourishment and growth so that they can focus on producing fruit for the world. The parable is a reminder to us of the nourishment and time we have been given, it's a call to examine the fruits we produce, in our communities, our families and in our Church. Perhaps there have been times when we saw ourselves like the fig tree in the parable –useless, a waste of space, achieving little. Think of friends or family who came to us at such a time, people who saw our potential and were prepared to give us another chance, people who also dug the soil around us and gave us the help we needed. Perhaps in our turn we have been able to do the same.

ST MARY'S NEWTOWNBUTLER

Week-day Mass: Wednesday, Thursday and Friday at 10am

Sunday Morning Mass at 11.00am

Altar Servers: 24/3: Tiarna McCartney, Ben Reilly, Jack Melarkey

31/3: Jemma McElroy, Aishlean Holland, Lucy Mullally, Rory Melarkey

Eucharistic Ministers:

Sun 24/3 Hannah McCusker, Catherine Cadden

Sun 31/3 Majella McDonald, Siofra Kavanagh

Anniversary Masses

Sun 24/3 **First Anniversary Mass for Charlie McLoughlin, Drumquilla**

The Graham family, Lurganboy Park

Dolly Wilson, Donagh

Sun 31/3 The Murray and Reynolds families, Derrykenny

Arthur & Josephine Keenan, Kathleen Keenan and deceased family members, Cornavray

ST PATRICK'S DONAGH

Sunday Mass at 9.30am.

Monday Mass: 7pm (Novena to our Lady of the Miraculous Medal)

Tuesday: morning Mass at 9.30am

Eucharistic Ministers

Sun 24/3 Jimmy Mohan, Sinead McCormack

Sun 31/3 Bronagh Logan, Brendan Mulligan

Anniversary Masses

Sun 24/3 Owen McCabe and deceased family members
John, MaryAnn and Michael Maguire and deceased family

Sun 31/3 James and Kathleen Green, Ballagh
Ned and Agnes Maguire, Aughnaglough

Contributions to the Parish on week-end of 17th March: £1327.83 and €260.40.
Many thanks for your generosity.

RECENTLY DECEASED: Nancy Hand (sister of Mary Little, Derryelvin) May Nancy
rest in peace with the Lord 

It is at this time of year (pre envelope distribution) that we update our Parish records.
It is important to check details for:

- * Change of address for anyone who has **moved house** within the parish
- * Names and addresses of anyone **new** to our parish
- * Names of people who have **moved away**
- * Names of people who have **taken up employment** and would like envelopes

If you belong to any of these groups or are new to our parish, please let us know by leaving details with Fr King or the parish office. Also if you are familiar with your town/land or area we would be grateful for your assistance in updating our records.

The parish envelope collection is a primary source of income for our parish and it is crucial that as many as possible use them. You can also set up a **standing order** as a convenient way to make your contribution; which will still be recorded in the usual way

ST JOSEPH'S PP 40TH Anniversary Celebrations – Saturday 13th April. Mass in St Patrick's, Donagh at 6pm, celebrated by Bishop Larry Duffy. Refreshments, photos and walkabout in St Joseph's PS. Buffet supper and entertainment in the Clubhouse costing £10 per person. All past pupils, their families and the wider community are welcome to attend. Tickets on sale through the school office. Tel 677 21077 or email: mgrew651@c2kni.net by March 31st.

FREE Community Health Event: Connon's Community Hall on Tuesday 26th March from 6-8pm. Come and speak to representatives from Make the Call, DARD, Peace Link and many more. Free Health Checks. Complimentary tea/coffee/scone. All welcome

TRÓCAIRE is calling for an international binding treaty on Business and Human Rights. A documentary film and short discussion examining human rights abuses by some companies in Guatemala, including threats and violent attacks on communities and individuals, will be held in Fermanagh House, Enniskillen on Wed, 3rd April at 8.00pm. Adm free. All welcome

PARISH OF BOTHA: Fundraising Renovation Fund: **Ray Kelly**, the singing Priest from Oldcastle, in concert in Derrygonnelly Community Centre on Friday Mary 3rd at 8pm in support of Botha Renovation Fund. Contact Martina at 078 54129688 – tickets £15

Spring is in the Air – Healing and Meditation workshop with Marie Evans – Tues 9th April or Tues 16th April 10am – 3pm. Info: Aisling Centre 028 66 332325811

*(One to watch this week: “**Catholic lives**” on EWTN Wednesday March 27th at 5.30pm. Richard Moore, founder of Children in the Crossfire, shares his story of adversity and forgiveness – he was blinded by a plastic bullet during the troubles)*