



## PARISH OF GALLOON

Parish Bulletin – Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> December 2023

Fourth Sunday of Advent

20p

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### MASSSES FOR THE COMING WEEK

#### CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Sun 24 <sup>th</sup> December 11.30am	Fourth Sunday of Advent Month's Memory for John-James Caughey, Mullynagowan First Anniversary for Kevin Murphy, Drumralla First Anniversary for Martin Connolly, Galloon Gardens Cis, Annie & James Cadden, Lurganboy and deceased of the Cadden family Lurganboy Park
Sun 24 <sup>th</sup> December Mon 25 <sup>th</sup> December	8pm: Vigil Mass for Christmas Day, with carols from 7.30pm
Wed 27 <sup>th</sup> December	11am: The Nativity of the Lord, with Junior Choir
Thurs 28 <sup>th</sup> December	10am: St John, Apostle and Evangelist
Fri 29 <sup>th</sup> December	10am: The Holy Innocents, Martyrs
Sun 31 <sup>st</sup> December 11.30am	10am: Fifth Day of the Christmas Octave The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph Paul Fitzpatrick, Galloon Gardens Eamon Connolly, Drumboghena and deceased family members Jim Donegan, Camphill Park Paddy Reilly, Derrylea



#### ST PATRICK'S DONAGH

Sat 23 <sup>rd</sup> December 6.30pm	Vigil Mass for the Fourth Sunday of Advent The people of the Parish
Mon 25 <sup>th</sup> December	9.30am The Nativity of the Lord – small children particularly welcome
Sat 30 <sup>th</sup> December	6.30pm: Vigil for the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph Deceased of the Collins family, Manorwater House, Ignatius Reilly and deceased family members Deceased of the McDonald family, Lettergreen

SUNDAY MASS TIMES		EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:	
Donagh:	Vigil Mass: Saturday 6:30pm	Newtownbutler:	Thursday 2pm – 9pm; Sunday 7pm- 9pm
Newtownbutler:	Sunday: 11:30am	Donagh:	Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 7.30pm – 9.30pm
SUNDAY MASS TIMES		DIVINE MERCY HOLY HOUR:	
Donagh:	Vigil Mass: Saturday 6:30pm	Every Thursday in Newtownbutler Adoration Room from 8 - 9pm.	
Newtownbutler:	Sunday: 11:30am	BAPTISMS:	
CONFESSIONS		Baptisms are celebrated in each Church once a month. Dates available from Parish Office. All baptisms must be booked through the Parish Office	
Saturdays in Newtownbutler from 11am – 12 Noon			
First Fridays in Donagh from 6.15 – 6.55pm			

#### Parish Contributions:

Total weekly income: £1,889 and €495.75 for your continued support to our parish – it is very much appreciated.

#### MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST

##### Donagh

23/12: Marion Carey 25/12: Brendan Mulligan

30/12: Brendan Mulligan

##### Newtownbutler

24/12: 11.30am -Stella Mulligan/Siobhan Wilson

24/12: 8pm - Catherine Cadden/Micaela Wallace

25/12: Brian Courtney/Martin Donegan

31/12: Phil McGovern/Catherine Cadden

#### MINISTERS OF THE WORD

##### Newtownbutler

24/12: As arranged

24/12: Vigil – Irene Donegan/JP II Awards

25/12: Christmas Morning – Danny Sugrue/JP II Awards

31/12: Stella Mulligan

The Reader and Eucharistic Ministry rotas are now available from both Sacristy's, the parish website, the parish office or by email.

**Fermanagh Comhaltas:** A celebration of Fermanagh's success in Ulster and All Ireland 2023 Fleadhs. Special guests All Ireland Senior Ceili Band champions, Pipers Cross. Fri 5th Jan 24, Westville Hotel, Enniskillen at 8pm. Admission £10. Tickets available on the night or phone Sarah (07779267620) or Ann (07340530807) to guarantee entry. A night not to be missed!

- **FERMANAGH WOMEN'S AID:** (Safe Hands Centre) 19 Darling Street, Enniskillen Tel: 028 66 328898
- Mind (for better mental health) 0300 123 3393 [www.mind.org.uk](http://www.mind.org.uk)
- Cruse Bereavement Care: 0808 808 1677 [www.cruse.org.uk](http://www.cruse.org.uk)
- St Vincent De Paul (local) 07966 718749

#### Happy Christmas and thank you to all our parishioners!

A huge thank you to each and every person who had worked so faithfully to prepare for our celebration of Christmas; to our sacristans and secretary, altar servers, choir leaders in both Newtownbutler and Donagh, to the young people of the "Faith, Hope and Love" Junior Choir and the young people of the Pope John Paul II Awards and their leaders. Thank you also to the many people who give service to our parish during the year; as Readers, Eucharistic Ministers, Count Team and in many other ways, often discreet, but deeply appreciated.

An additional thank you to the parishioners who support our parish spiritually and financially throughout the year and to those who support myself and Fr. King in kind and thoughtful ways.

Our parish depends on each and every person's contribution, whether big or small, and in particular on those who make our Churches places of prayer and worship.

On behalf of Fr. King and myself, we wish you and your families a happy and peaceful Christmas and every blessing for the coming year. One of the titles given to Jesus in the scriptures is "Emmanuel", which means "God-with-us". May you all be aware of Christ's closeness to you in the joys and struggles of your lives.

A very Happy Christmas to you all. Fr. Kevin.

#### † RECENTLY DECEASED †

**Philomena Baker, née McManus, Kilready.** Agnes Morgan, née McLoughlin, Clones, sister of Oliver and Seamus. Eileen Morgan, Monaghan, mother of Damien, Galloon Gardens. May they rest in peace. Amen.

**Newtownbutler Cross Community Playgroup** – application forms available online: <https://www.eani.org.uk> under admissions from 9<sup>th</sup> January 2024 for a pre-school place in September 2024 for children born 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2020 – 1 July 2021

#### CHRISTMAS/NEW YEAR ADORATION NOVENA

Christmas Day Mon 25<sup>th</sup> – Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2024

##### Donagh Adoration Chapel:

Monday-Thursday: 7.30pm – 9.30pm

Friday & Saturday: 7.30pm – 8.30pm

##### Newtownbutler Adoration Chapel:

Sundays: 7pm – 9pm

All welcome.

"Come to me all you who labour and are heavily burdened and I will give you rest" (Matthew 11:28-30)

**Trócaire School Volunteers:** Are you a retired teacher or someone who has experience presenting to groups of school children? Trócaire is looking for volunteers to support our School Talks Programme for Lent 2024 in the Clogher Diocese Area. Email: [reap@fermanaghmagh.co](mailto:reap@fermanaghmagh.co) or phone Enniskillen-0286632

#### Prayer for those grieving at Christmas

Lord, not everyone feels joyful at this season. So many have lost ones during the year, and in many places, the winter cold blows its bitter winds into lonely hearts. This Christmas we pray for those who are grieving losses. Memories of happy times with loved ones in the past can send a rush of tears to those whose arms ache with emptiness. Lord, dry those tears with your sweet words of comfort and cheer. Turn their sorrow into joy as only you can do. May the joy of your birth and the good news of your coming to earth as the Savior of the world cushion their grief this Christmas and bring peace to those who need it most. Through Christ or Lord. Amen