



PARISH OF GALLOON

Parish Newsletter – Sunday 20th December 2020

20p

Fourth Sunday of Advent

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MASSES FOR THE COMING WEEK

CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION, NEWTOWNBUTLER

Sunday 20th December

11.30am

Fourth Sunday of Advent

Kathleen & Eamon McCabe, Killyroo • Sean and Maureen Sharkey, Crom Road and Mona Sharkey • James and Gabriel O'Keefe and deceased family members

Tuesday 22nd December

10am: Late Advent Weekday

Wednesday 23rd December

10am: Late Advent Weekday

Thursday 24th December

Christmas Eve

10am

Cis, Annie & James Cadden, Lurganboy & the Cadden family of Lurganboy Park
Kitty Maguire, Pat and Mary Johnston & Hugh and Winnie Maxwell
Sheelagh McGlade and deceased members of the McGlade family

8pm

Vigil Mass for the Nativity of the Lord

For those who are sick, isolated or lonely at Christmas

Friday 25th December

The Nativity of The Lord (Christmas Day)

11am

First Anniversary for Lizzy Maguire, Kilgarret

Sunday 27th December

The Holy Family Of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

11.30am

First Anniversary for Josefa Molina

Terry and Vera McAdam, Kiltober

ST PATRICK'S DONAGH

Saturday 19th December

Vigil Mass for the Fourth Sunday of Advent

6.30pm

The People of the Parish

Monday 21st December

7pm: Evening Mass (Novena to Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal)

Thursday 24th December

Vigil Mass for the Nativity of The Lord

7pm

For those who are sick, isolated or lonely at Christmas

Friday 25th December

The Nativity Of The Lord (Christmas Day)

9.30am

For the People Of The Parish

Saturday 26th December

Vigil Mass for the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

6.30pm

The Collins family, Manorwaterhouse



"I am the handmaid of the Lord...let what you have said be done to me"

SUNDAY MASS TIMES

Donagh: Vigil Mass, Saturday 6:30pm

Newtownbutler: Sunday 11:30am

CONFESSIONS

Confessions on Saturdays in Newtownbutler from 11am-12 Noon

Confessions for Christmas – see overleaf

† RECENTLY DECEASED †

Brigid Forde, Co Monaghan (Fr Kevin's Aunt) and Luke Padian (Father of Luke Jnr). May Brigid and Luke now rest in peace

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Newtownbutler: Thursday 1pm – 9pm; Sunday 7pm- 9pm

Donagh: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday

from 7.30pm – 9.30pm

*** Face coverings are compulsory ***

DIVINE MERCY HOLY HOUR:

Every Thursday in Newtownbutler Adoration Room from 8 - 9pm.

BAPTISMS:

Every 2nd Saturday in Donagh and every 3rd Saturday in Newtownbutler. Please book through the office

MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST

DONAGH

19/12: Marion Carey

24/12: (7pm) Brendan Mulligan

25/12: (9.30am) Mickey McDermott.

26/12: Jimmy Mohan

NEWTOWNBUTLER

20/12: Phil McGovern

24/12 (10am) Siobhan Wilson

24/12: (8pm) Katie Woods

25/12: Majella McDonald

27/12: Stella Mulligan

MINISTERS OF THE WORD:

DONAGH – Pat McGovern

NEWTOWNBUTLER

20/12: Raymond McGloin

24/12: 10am – Joan Major 24/12: 8pm – Catherine Leonard

25/12: 11am - Alan McEvoy 27/12: 11.30am -Irene Donegan

STEWARDS for Masses on 24th & 25th – As per Christmas Rota List

“I lit a candle for Christmas” cards on sale now in both Churches – limited numbers.

BAPTISM:



We welcome into the Christian Community children baptized last week-end: Sarah West and Cayla Rose Smith.

PARISH CONTRIBUTIONS

Overall weekly income: £1,172 and €199.

Many thanks for your continued generosity

Peter McVerry Trust Collection: £1165

Standing Order forms available from Parish Office

TRÓCAIRE'S CHRISTMAS APPEAL 2020:

Addresses the humanitarian crises as a result of hurricanes in Central America and supports people left hungry by the impacts of Covid-19. Support to Trócaire this Christmas will also fund the charity's response to crises around the world. Trócaire and its local partners are providing shelter, food and other vital support to people left homeless by these hurricanes. Contributions to Trócaire can be made on www.trocaire.org.

JOINT CHRISTMAS MESSAGE FROM ARCHDEACON BRIAN HARPER, CHURCH OF IRELAND AND BISHOP LARRY DUFFY, BISHOP OF CLOGHER.

“At this season of the year, we are reminded that God is in the midst of us”

2020 has been a year that we will remember. In some ways, it has been a lost year, a year without any plan or direction, a year without confidence or certainty. It has been a year when truth has been shrouded in “fake news” and conspiracy theory and when we have truly stepped into the unknown.

At a personal level, families have been separated, the elderly and vulnerable have become isolated, and loved ones have died. Poverty, depression, anxiety have increased. Yet there have been moments of celebration that have dotted our landscape. We have seen the dedication of our health care workers. We have witnessed heroic efforts being made for charitable causes and we have testified to the beautiful deeds of kindness shown to one another.

In the midst of the worst of times, we may have asked the question “Where is God in the midst of this crisis?” or “Why can't God come down and sort this out?” At this season of the year, we are reminded that God is in the midst of us, he has entered this broken world and he is Immanuel which means “God with us”. In the child born to Mary, we see our Saviour, Jesus, and we humbly place our trust in him.

In the quietness of this particular Christmas, may we

THE WAY OF THE CRIB. RTÉ News Channel; Sunday 20th December at 14.15 – 15.00. The people and churches of Tullamore and Mount Mellick, Co Offaly come together for a uniquely Irish “promenade” telling of the Nativity Story.

MASSES FOR CHRISTMAS



CHRISTMAS EVE

10am Newtownbutler

7pm Vigil Mass in Donagh

8pm Vigil Mass in Newtownbutler

CHRISTMAS DAY

9.30am Donagh

11am Newtownbutler

FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY

Saturday 26/12 6.30pm Donagh

Sunday 27/12 11.30am Newtownbutler

*Please note that capacity is limited. Please choose **ONE** of the above seven Masses as your Christmas Mass or the following week-days*

CONFESSIONS FOR CHRISTMAS

NEWTOWNBUTLER

Saturday 19/12: 11am – 12 Noon

Christmas Eve: 10.30am – 11.30am

(Confessions also after any Mass)

DONAGH

Saturday 19/12: 5.30pm – 6.20pm (And directly after Vigil Mass)

Friday 1/1: After 10am Mass (NTB) and 7pm Mass (Donagh)

HELPLINE NUMBERS

HELP IS AT HAND. As we move into the darker days of Autumn and Winter under Covid-19 restrictions we can feel sad, anxious and without hope. No matter how bad you feel, **help is available 24/7 if you need it.** Call the lifeline at **0808 808 8000.** (You could put this number in your phone now.)

SUICIDE LIAISON OFFICERS/ BEREAVED BY SUICIDE Support Omagh/Fermanagh 02866 382112 / 078 2653 5199

ALCOHOL AND DRUG SERVICES: Phone **02866 382073**

STEP CHANGE DEBT CHARITY (Free and Impartial Debt Advice) **0800 138 1111**
<http://www.stepchange.org>

AISLING CENTRE offers a free confidential counselling and psycho-therapy

Please note that the parish office will be closed for Christmas from Thursday 24th – 30th December. Usual opening hours from Monday 4th January.