

Parish of Newry

Sunday 6th March 2016
The Fourth Sunday of Lent

Luke alone of the four gospel writers tells the immortal story of the Prodigal Son. Though the younger son in the story seemed to have got a better deal than the older one, he was really the underdog. The older one, if I may say so, was the worst kind of eldest brother: he was a sort of third parent, without the mellowness that parents develop. He was harsh and judgmental, envious and self-righteous. It's not so surprising that the younger one left home and even lost his self-respect: his older brother represented respectability in its most depressing form. But the focus is not so much on the two brothers as on their father. We call the younger son 'the prodigal'. The word comes from Latin 'prodigus', which means 'lavish'. Yes, the son was lavish and reckless. But the father was even more so: the father was lavish with his mercy and forgiveness. And since the story is focused on the father we should call it the story of the 'Prodigal Father' rather than the story of the 'Prodigal Son'.

The people who heard that story from the lips of Jesus were quite aware that they were being cast in the role of the older brother. They had seen that tax-collectors and prostitutes were all seeking the company of Jesus and they said, "This man welcomes sinners and eats with them!" He captured those sinners in the character of the younger son, but he captured the scribes and Pharisees perfectly in the character of the older son.

It is not that he was commending the younger son (because, again, the focus is on the father); but the reality is that the underdog finds out more about the father's mercy than the 'overdog'. It takes a prodigal son to know a prodigal father.

The father was certainly prodigal: "while the son was still a long way off he ran towards his son, clasped him in his arms and kissed him tenderly." He didn't even let him finish his prepared speech of repentance. "Quick," he said, "...put a ring on his finger..." That ring meant that he was a member of the family, not a hired servant. This was warm and whole-hearted forgiveness - which is the only real kind there is.

There is a kind of forgiveness that is worse than no forgiveness at all: it is when you are made to feel even guiltier for having offended such a 'forgiving' person; you have incurred a debt you can never repay. If you are not forgiven "from the heart" you are not really forgiven at all.

Jesus could have invented any kind of story he wished to say what God was like. It is overwhelming that this is the story.

Fr Donagh O'Shea, O.P.,
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Mass Times

The Cathedral of SS. Patrick & Colman, Hill Street

Sunday Mass Times:
Saturday Vigil : 6.00pm
Sunday : 8.30am, 10.00am,
12 noon, & 5.30pm
Weekday Mass Times :
Monday to Friday 8.30am,
Monday to Saturday
10.30am.

St. Brigid's Church, Rooney's Meadow

Saturday Vigil : 7.00pm
Sunday : 11.30am,
9.30am (po polsku)
Weekday Mass Times :
Monday, Wednesday &
Friday 7.00pm.

St. Mary's Church, Chapel Street

Saturday Vigil : 6.30pm
Sunday : 11.00am
Latin Mass : 9.00am
Weekday Mass Times :
Tuesday & Thursday
7.00pm.

St. Catherine's Church, Dominican Priory, Dominic Street

Saturday Vigil : 7.30pm
Sunday : 8.00am, 9.30am,
11.00am & 12.15pm
Weekday Mass Times :
Monday to Saturday 7.30am,
11.00am & 7.30pm

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Cathedral: Monday, Tuesday,
Wednesday, Friday & Saturday
9.00am – 11.00am.
Thursday 9.00am – 9.00pm
Sunday 1.00pm – 5.15pm.
St. Catherine's: Blessed
Sacrament Chapel each day
8.00am to 8.00pm.

CONTACT DETAILS FOR THE PARISH OFFICE

All Baptisms, Marriages and appointments may be arranged by calling the Parish Office. A Priest is available in the Parish Office from Monday to Friday 1.00pm – 2.00pm and in the evening by appointment.

OFFICE HOURS AND CONTACT NUMBER FOR PARISH OFFICE

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THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

Congregation stands

**Entrance Hymn or
Entrance Antiphon**

Cf. Is 66:10-11

All: Rejoice, Jerusalem, and all who love her.
Be joyful, all who were in mourning;
exult and be satisfied at her consoling breast.

GREETING

Priest: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen

Priest: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

All: And with your spirit.

PENITENTIAL ACT

Priest: Brothers and sisters, let us acknowledge our sins, and so prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries.

Priest: You were sent to heal the contrite of heart:
Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

Priest: You came to call sinners:
Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**

Priest: You are seated at the right hand of the Father to intercede for us:
Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

Priest: May almighty God have mercy on us,
forgive us our sins,
and bring us to everlasting life.

All: Amen

THE COLLECT

Priest: Let us pray.

Pause for silent prayer

Priest: O God, who through your Word reconcile the human race to yourself in a wonderful way, grant, we pray, that with prompt devotion and eager faith the Christian people may hasten towards the solemn celebrations to come. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

All: Amen.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Congregation Sits

FIRST READING

A reading from the book of Joshua **5:9-12**

The Lord said to Joshua, 'Today I have taken the shame of Egypt away from you.'

The Israelites pitched their camp at Gilgal and kept the Passover there on the fourteenth day of the month, at evening in the plain of Jericho. On the morrow of the

Passover they tasted the produce of that country, unleavened bread and roasted ears of corn, that same day. From that time, from their first eating of the produce of that country, the manna stopped falling. And having manna no longer, the Israelites fed from that year onwards on what the land of Canaan yielded.

The word of the Lord
All: Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 33:2-7. R v.9

(R) Taste and see that the Lord is good.

1. I will bless the Lord at all times,
his praise always on my lips;
in the Lord my soul shall make its boast.
The humble shall hear and be glad. **(R)**

2. Glorify the Lord with me.
Together let us praise his name.
I sought the Lord and he answered me;
from all my terrors he set me free. **(R)**

3. Look towards him and be radiant;
let your faces not be abashed.
This poor man called; the Lord heard him
and rescued him from all his distress. **(R)**

SECOND READING

A reading from second letter of St Paul to the Corinthians **5:17-21**

For anyone who is in Christ, there is a new creation; the old creation has gone, and now the new one is here. It is all God's work. It was God who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the work of handing on his reconciliation. In other words, God in Christ was reconciling the world to himself, not holding men's faults against them, and he has entrusted to us the news that they are reconciled. So we are ambassadors for Christ; it is as though God were appearing through us, and the appeal that we make in Christ's name is: be reconciled to God. For our sake God made the sinless one into sin, so that in him we might become the goodness of God.

The word of the Lord.
All: Thanks be to God.

Congregation stands

ACCLAMATION **Lk 15:18**

All: Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus!
I will leave this place and go to my father and say: 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you.' Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus!

GOSPEL

Priest: The Lord be with you.

All: And with your spirit.

Priest: A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke **15:1-3. 11-32**

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

The tax collectors and the sinners were all seeking the company of Jesus to hear what he had to say, and the

the Pharisees and the scribes complained. 'This man,' they said, 'welcomes sinners and eats with them.' So he spoke this parable to them:

'A man had two sons. The younger said to his father, "Father, let me have the share of the estate that would come to me." So the father divided the property between them. A few days later, the younger son got together everything he had and left for a distant country where he squandered his money on a life of debauchery.

'When he had spent it all, that country experienced a severe famine, and now he began to feel the pinch, so he hired himself out to one of the local inhabitants who put him on his farm to feed the pigs. And he would willingly have filled his belly with the husks the pigs were eating, but no one offered him anything. Then he came to his senses and said, "How many of my father's paid servants have more food than they want, and here I am dying of hunger! I will leave this place and go to my father and say: Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you; I no longer deserve to be called your son; treat me as one of your paid servants." So he left the place and went back to his father.

'While he was still a long way off, his father saw him and was moved with pity. He ran to the boy, clasped him in his arms and kissed him tenderly. Then his son said, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. I no longer deserve to be called your son." But the father said to his servants, "Quick! Bring out the best robe and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. Bring the calf we have been fattening, and kill it; we are going to have a feast, a celebration, because this son of mine was dead and has come back to life; he was lost and is found." And they began to celebrate.

'Now the elder son was out in the fields, and on his way back, as he drew near the house, he could hear music and dancing. Calling one of the servants he asked what it was all about. "Your brother has come" replied the servant "and your father has killed the calf we had fattened because he has got him back safe and sound." He was angry then and refused to go in, and his father came out to plead with him; but he answered his father, "Look, all these years I have slaved for you and never once disobeyed your orders, yet you never offered me so much as a kid for me to celebrate with my friends. But for this son of yours, when he comes back after swallowing up your property – he and his women – you kill the calf we had been fattening."

'The father said, "My son, you are with me always and all I have is yours. But it is only right we should celebrate and rejoice, because your brother here was dead and has come to life; he was lost and is found."

The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

Congregation sits

HOMILY

Congregation stands

THE CREED

All: I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God,

born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven,

(bow your head up to the words 'and became man')

and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Congregation sits

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Offertory Procession

The gifts of bread and wine which will become the Lord's body and blood are brought to the altar.

The celebrant raises the host on the paten saying:

Priest: Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation, for through your goodness we have received the bread we offer you: fruit of the earth and work of human hands, it will become for us the bread of life.

All: Blessed be God for ever.

The celebrant pours wine and a little water into the chalice, saying quietly:

Priest: By the mystery of this water and wine may we come to share in the divinity of Christ who humbled himself to share in our humanity.

The celebrant then raises the chalice above the altar and says:

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation, for through your goodness we have received the wine we offer you: fruit of the vine and work of human hands, it will become our spiritual drink.

All: Blessed be God for ever.

Bowing, the celebrant says quietly:

Priest: With humble spirit and contrite heart may we be accepted by you, O Lord, and may our sacrifice in your sight this day be pleasing to you, Lord God.

Then the celebrant washes his hands, saying quietly:

Wash me, O Lord, from my iniquity and cleanse me from my sin.

Pray, brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, almighty Father.

All: **May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his Holy Church.**

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Priest: We place before you with joy these offerings, which bring eternal remedy, O Lord, praying that we may both faithfully revere them and present them to you, as is fitting, for the salvation of all the world. Through Christ our Lord.

All: **Amen**

Congregation stands

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER III

Priest: The Lord be with you.
All: **And with your spirit.**

Priest: Lift up your hearts.
All: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Priest: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
All: **It is right and just.**

PREFACE (Lent II)

Priest: It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give you thanks, Lord, holy Father, almighty and eternal God.

For you have given your children a sacred time for the renewing and purifying of their hearts, that, freed from disordered affections, they may so deal with the things of this passing world as to hold rather to the things that eternally endure.

And so, with all the Angels and Saints, we praise you, as without end we acclaim:

ACCLAMATION

All: **Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

Congregation kneels

Priest: You are indeed Holy, O Lord, and all you have created rightly gives you praise, for through your Son our Lord Jesus Christ, by the power and working of the Holy spirit,

you give life to all things and make them holy, and you never cease to gather a people to yourself, so that from the rising of the sun to its setting a pure sacrifice may be offered to your name.

Therefore, O Lord, we humbly implore you: by the same Spirit graciously make holy these gifts we have brought to you for consecration, that they may become the Body and + Blood of your Son our Lord Jesus Christ, at whose command we celebrate these mysteries.

For on the night he was betrayed he himself took bread, and, giving you thanks, he said the blessing, broke the bread and gave it to his disciples, saying:

TAKE THIS, ALL OF YOU, AND EAT OF IT, FOR THIS IS MY BODY WHICH WILL BE GIVEN UP FOR YOU.

In a similar way, when supper was ended, he took the chalice and, once more giving thanks, he gave it to his disciples, saying:

TAKE THIS, ALL OF YOU, AND DRINK FROM IT, FOR THIS IS THE CHALICE OF MY BLOOD, THE BLOOD OF THE NEW AND ETERNAL COVENANT, WHICH WILL BE Poured OUT FOR YOU AND FOR MANY FOR THE FORGIVENESS OF SINS.

DO THIS IN MEMORY OF ME.

Priest: The mystery of faith.

All: **When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again.**

Priest: Therefore, O Lord, as we celebrate the memorial of the saving Passion of your Son, his wondrous Resurrection and Ascension into heaven, and as we look forward to his second coming, we offer you in thanksgiving this holy and living sacrifice.

Look, we pray, upon the oblation of your Church and, recognising the sacrificial Victim by whose death you willed to reconcile us to yourself, grant that we, who are nourished by the Body and Blood of your Son and filled with his Holy Spirit, may become one body, one spirit in Christ.

May he make of us an eternal offering to you, so that we may obtain an inheritance with your elect, especially with the most Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God, with blessed Joseph, her spouse, with your blessed Apostles and glorious Martyrs with Saint Patrick and with all the Saints, on whose constant intercession in your presence we rely for unailing help.

May this Sacrifice of our reconciliation, we pray, O Lord, advance the peace and salvation of all the world. Be pleased to confirm in faith and charity your pilgrim Church on earth, with your servant Francis our Pope and N our Bishop, the Order of Bishops, all the clergy, and the entire people you have gained for your own.

Listen graciously to the prayers of this family, whom you have summoned before you:

in your compassion, O merciful Father, gather to yourself all your children scattered throughout the world. To our departed brothers and sisters and to all who were pleasing to you at their passing from this life, give kind admittance to your kingdom. There we hope to enjoy forever the fullness of your glory through Christ our Lord, through whom you bestow on the world all that is good.

Priest: Through him, and with him, and in him, O God, almighty Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honour is yours, for ever and ever.

All: **Amen.**

Congregation stands

THE COMMUNION RITE

Priest: At the Saviour's command and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say:

All: **Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.**

Priest: Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil, graciously grant peace in our days, that, by the help of your mercy, we may be always free from sin and safe from all distress, as we await the blessed hope and the coming of our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

All: **For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and for ever.**

Priest: Lord Jesus Christ, who said to your Apostles: Peace I leave you, my peace I give you, look not on our sins, but on the faith of your Church, and graciously grant her peace and unity in accordance with your will. Who live and reign for ever and ever.

All: **Amen.**

Priest: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

All: **And with your spirit.**

The celebrant may add these or similar words.

Priest: Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

All make a sign of peace, according to local custom.

Priest: May this mingling of the Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ bring eternal life to us who receive it.

All: **Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.**

Congregation kneels

The celebrant says quietly:

May the receiving of your Body and Blood, Lord Jesus Christ, not bring me to judgment and

condemnation, but through your loving mercy be for me protection in mind and body and a healing remedy.

INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

Priest: Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

All: **Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.**

Priest: May the Body of Christ keep me safe for eternal life.

Priest: May the Blood of Christ keep me safe for eternal life.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Lk 15:32

All: **You must rejoice, my son, for your brother was dead and has come to life; he was lost and is found.**

Purifying the chalice the celebrant says quietly:

What has passed our lips as food, O Lord, may we possess in purity of heart, that what has been given to us in time may be our healing for eternity.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Congregation kneels

Priest: Let us pray. O God, who enlighten everyone who comes into this world, illuminate our hearts, we pray, with the splendour of your grace, that we may always ponder what is worthy and pleasing to your majesty and love you in all sincerity. Through Christ our Lord.

All: **Amen**

THE CONCLUDING RITES

Priest: The Lord be with you.

All: **And with your spirit.**

PRAYER OVER THE PEOPLE

Priest: Look upon those who call to you, O Lord, and sustain the weak; give life by your unfailing light to those who walk in the shadow of death, and bring those rescued by your mercy from every evil to reach the highest good. Through Christ our Lord.

All: **Amen**

Priest: May almighty God bless you, the Father, and the Son, + and the Holy Spirit.

All: **Amen**

Then the celebrant, with hands joined and facing the people, says:

Priest: Go in peace, glorifying the Lord by your life.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

STATIONS OF THE CROSS IN THE CATHEDRAL DURING LENT

The Stations of the Cross will be recited after the 10.30am Mass each Friday morning by one of the Ministers of the Word who read at this Mass throughout the year. During this Holy Year of Mercy you are invited to make a special effort to pray the Stations of the Cross.

LECTIO DIVINA

During the season of Lent fast would you consider trying Lectio Divina as a Lenten observance? If interested, groups meet in the following locations at the following times:

- Newry: Parish Centre, Tuesday 11.15am
Parish Centre, Thursday 11.15am
Banbridge: St. Therese Church, Monday 10.40am
Lurgan: St. Paul's Church, Lower Sacristy, Wednesday 7.00pm

Newry Parish Paschal Meal Come and join in celebrating our Parish Paschal (Passover) Meal. Understand a little of the Jewish tradition and history out of which our faith grew. This celebration helps us to understand our religious roots, which are Jewish. The night before he died Jesus celebrated his last Passover with his apostles. During this meal, he instituted the Eucharist. As you take part in the Paschal Meal you will see the many similarities between Passover and our Mass. The Paschal Meal is an opportunity for us to celebrate our growth as a community and be together with families & friends at this most special time of Holy Week.

When: Wednesday 23 March 2016 at 7.30pm

Where: Newry Parish Conference & Banqueting Centre.

Tickets are available from Parish Office, Newry Conference & Banqueting Centre & VERITAS

PRAYER AROUND THE CROSS To prepare for the beautiful feast of Easter there will be PRAYER AROUND THE CROSS every FRIDAY EVENING during LENT in St. Clare's Convent, Ashgrove Avenue, 7.30pm - 8.30pm. All welcome.

Discussion on Year of Mercy Hosted by Canon Hackett Topic 2 - Christian Anger. The discussion will be held in the Parish Centre on Monday 7th March at 11.15am. All welcome.

Additional Volunteers required for the delivery of the Offertory Promise Envelopes for 2016/2017.

Would you be willing to assist anywhere in the parish with the delivery of the Parish Envelopes in week commencing Sunday 3rd April 2016.

Approximately one hour of your time would be required. If interested please leave your contact details in the Parish Office. Thank You. Offertory Promise Committee.

PARISH FINANCE

OFFERTORY PROMISE COLLECTION ENVELOPES 2016/2017

Like all parishes, Newry Parish depends on the contributions from our parishioners to maintain parish property and meet everyday expenses, including the payment of personnel. The proceeds of the weekly envelope collection (green envelope) go towards the running costs of the parish. The monthly collection for the priests and bishop (pink envelope) together with the collection at Christmas and Easter (pink envelope) go to pay the salaries of the four priests and our obligations towards the bishop's salary. The special collections (blue envelopes) are forwarded to the diocesan office and do not form part of the parish income.

In order to meet our ongoing financial obligations we need a regular financial commitment from our parishioners. We therefore appeal to ALL members of our community to play their part in this area.

The next series of parish envelopes commences on Sunday 10th April 2016. If you do not have a box of envelopes or have come to live in the parish and would like a box of envelopes please contact the Parish Office - details on the front page of this bulletin. Alternatively, you can fill in the slip below and return it to the Parish Office or in the collection baskets. A box of envelopes will be delivered to your home. Thank you for your help and support.

Newry Parish Offertory Promise Committee

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Sunday Evening Devotions in the Cathedral during Lent

Sunday 6th March - 7.00pm

Sr. Pam Thimes - Reflection on the forgiving Father. Sr. Pam is a renowned Scripture Scholar and has worked in many prestigious universities.

Sunday 13th March - 5.30pm

St. Patrick's Novena

Sunday 20th March - 7.00pm

Evening Prayer of the Church sung by St. Colman's College Choir at 7.00pm

Holy Thursday Evening

Washing of Feet: Volunteers sought

On the 24th March 2016, during the Mass of the Last Supper on Holy Thursday evening, Bishop McAreavey will continue the tradition of the ritual washing of feet of 12 members of the parish community. In the ancient world the washing of feet symbolised humble service as this task was always the responsibility of the lowest slave in the household.

When Jesus washed the feet of his disciples, who became the first priests, he said to them: 'If I then, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet, for I have given you an example that you should also do as I have done'. (Jn. 13: 14-15)

Anyone, male and female, who would like to take part in this beautiful ceremony of the Washing of Feet, is invited to contact Newry Parish Office in person or by telephone at 302 62586 to leave their name, address and telephone number.

Parish Groups - Prayer Groups - Community Groups....

You are invited to consider going on Pilgrimage or Retreat to the sanctuary of St. Patrick, Lough Derg. Pope Francis has placed pilgrimage at the heart of the Jubilee Year of Mercy 2016. Organised parish and community groups will come to this unique place of pilgrimage this year. The Lough Derg team can offer support if you decide to organise a group by contacting Nuala or Lorraine on 00353 71 9861518 or email: info@loughderg.org

DROMORE DIOCESAN HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Wednesday 16th March 2016. In the Balmoral Hotel, Warrenpoint at 7.30pm for 7.45pm. The Society's Annual Irish Night, comprising with Dinner & entertainment organised by Very Rev. Dean Davies, Price £20.00. For booking Tel Martin & Mary Goss 30262849 (leave a message on answer machine)

Dromore Diocese has registered with the Charities Commission. The Diocese has registered as a single donation charity encompassing all previous parish trusts. When you receive the new box of envelopes for weekly contribution you will notice this change as each envelope will carry the name of the Dromore Diocesan Trust (charity no. XT27177). Envelopes previously endorsed for Bishop & Priests are now entitled 'Monthly Offering'. Gift Aid can now be claimed for all collections. The envelope is also marked with the parish's name so that all contributions to parish continue to remain within the parish.

Recently Baptised

We welcome into our community:

- Kacey Elizabeth Carroll Magee, 4 Fourth Avenue, Derrybeg
Lauren Rose Ann Devine, 10 Springmartin
Martha Mae Lamb, 10 Windsor Avenue
Emily Jane Pentony, 33 Ashbrook Mews
Cathal Cormac Murphy, 8A Greenan Road
Avery Maguire, 27 The Manse
Colm Thomas Kennedy, 27 Lesh Road

NEWRY PARISH TRIP TO MALTA

We are currently making final arrangements for the Annual Parish Trip in September. If you are interested please contact the Parish Office for further details Tel: 302 62586.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION
Sunday 28 February

Table with 2 columns: Collection Type and Amount. Rows include Parish Collection (£5025.53), Loose Plate (£1552.82), Direct Debits (£454.70), and Total (£7033.05).

NEWRY PARISH ANNIVERSARIES FOR OUR DECEASED RELATIVES

Cathedral Anniversaries

Saturday 5 March	10.30am	Eugene Coffey, Dora Avenue Raymond McGovern (Snr), Armagh Road & deceased Members of the McGovern & Martin Families.
	6.00pm	Thomas & Bernadette McNulty & Anne Butterly The Crossey Family, Daisyhill Gardens Peggy McArdle, Grinan & Cathal McArdle, Kilkeel Patsy Gallagher, Carlingford Park James Fitzpatrick, O'Neill Avenue Charles Keenan, Courtney Hill Matthew & Vincent McAteer, Innisfree Park Michael & Ellen Griffin & Paddy & Minnie Griffin Kathleen McDermott, Drumgullion Ave & Joseph McDermott, Belfast & deceased family members.
Sunday 6 March	10.00am	Leo & Bernadette Devine, Greenfield Park
Monday 7 March	12 Noon	Krizontas Kasputis Kathleen & Frank McElherron & Deirdre Sheeran, Ashfield Avenue
	8.30am	Philip & Gertrude Campbell, New Street
Tuesday 8 March	10.30am	Charlie, Bridget & Michael McGovern, High St Andrew Maguire Boyd, Newry & Omeath
Thursday 10 March	10.30am	Joe O'Driscoll, Liverpool
	8.30am	Sean Burns, Drumliss Court
Saturday 12 March	10.30am	Jim Mallon & deceased members of the Mallon Family, Blaney Crescent & Mary Cannon
	10.30am	Annie & Robert Fegan, Stream Street James & Patricia Patterson, Castle St & Warrenpoint
	6.00pm	Kevin McFee, Larchmont (M.M) Oliver Lynam, Ballyholland Road Kathleen & Tommy Fitzpatrick, Rathfriland Rd & Michael & Margaret Maguire, North St Patrick & Nancy McCarthy, Hennessy Park Frank Manley, Church Street Nancy & Raymond McAteer, Pound Street Leo, Annie, Patsy, Martin, Maura & Rita Burns, Downshire Court & Leo Burns, Belfast, Sean Burns, Armagh Road
Sunday 13 March	8.30am	Joseph Marner, Aghagallon, Peter Keenan, Derrylecka & Brigid O'Rourke, Clanrye Fold
	10.00am	Paddy McCann, Drumgullion Avenue (M.M) Molly Maguire, The Manse
	12 noon	Leon Gaillard, Oaklands (M.M) Joseph Marner, Aghagallon, Peter Keenan, Derrylecka Brigid O'Rourke, Clanrye Park

St. Mary's Anniversaries

Saturday 5 March	6.30pm	Mary Campbell, O'Neill Avenue Cornelius, Mary & Peter Hart, Chapel Street
Sunday 6 March	11.00am	John & Cissie Turley, Courtney Hill Peter & Alice Keenan, Bingian Terrace
Sunday 12 March	6.30pm	Lilian Murtagh, Derrylecka Ellen Lambe, Home Avenue Rose & Joe McManus, Derrylecka Jean McGovern, Ballyholland Road
Sunday 13 March	11.00am	Peter & Sarah Sarsfield, St. Clare's Avenue Bridie Lambe, Home Avenue

St. Brigid's Anniversaries

Saturday 5 March	7.00pm	Anne & John Johnston, Emmet St & deceased members of the Johnston & Butterfield Families
Sunday 6 March	11.30am	Bridget, Jimmy & Edward McLoughlin, First Avenue, Derrybeg
Monday 7 March	7.00pm	James McKeown, Main Avenue, Derrybeg
Saturday 12 March	7.00pm	Hugh O'Hare, Violet Hill Avenue (M.M) Joseph Kavanagh, Derrybeg Drive Annie & Joseph Kavanagh, John Martin Street Patrick Rice, Ballinlare Gardens James & Sarah Owens, Bessbrook & the Owens Family, Newry & Australia Liduina & Michael Bannon, Home Avenue Peggy Campbell, Erskine St Patrick Carroll (Sen) & Patrick Carroll (Jnr), Tullydonnell
Sunday 13 March	11.30am	Sr. Anne Marie, Sr. Brigid, Teresa Regan & Philomena Fegan

St. Catherine's Anniversaries

Saturday 5 March	7.30pm	Mick Hillen (M.M) Walter & Marjorie Morgan
Sunday 6 March	8.00am	Kathleen & Nicholas Shevlin & deceased members of Shevlin Family
	9.30am	Dora, Lily & Gertie Mullan
	11.00am	Seamus O'Hare Mary Rea Mary O'Reilly Lily Ruddy
Tuesday 8 March	12.15pm	John Campbell (M.M) Benefactors of Church & Priory Br. Patrick Griffin Patrick Campbell
	11.00am	Jean Halpin Betty McCann
	7.30pm	Rosaleen Boggan
Wednesday 9 March	7.30pm	Thomas Collins (M.M)
Friday 11 March	11.00am	Russell Boyd
	7.30pm	Francis Price Gerry Morgan
Saturday 12 March	11.00am	Mary & Michael Mallon Maureen & Dominic Donnelly
	7.30pm	Michael & Agnes Watters & deceased family members William & Mary Taylor Pat & Kathleen Kenna Daniel & Vera Doran Mary, Margaret & Patrick McKeivitt Edward & Annie McLoughlin
Sunday 13 March	9.30am	Frank Anderson & deceased family members
	11.00am	Lily Monaghan & the McGrath Family Kevin Crummy Wesley Andrews & deceased Family members
Sunday 14 March	12.15pm	Fr. Ceslaus Morrissey OP James & Nancy Hollywood

Holy Hour in Honour of Jesus the Divine Mercy & Our Lady in
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The next Safeguarding Awareness Session is scheduled for **Monday 14th March 2016 at 8.00pm** in the Parish Centre. **All parish volunteers need to attend a Safeguarding Awareness Session before taking up their Ministry.**

Called & Gifted (Two Day Conference) Friday 11th March & Saturday 12th March 9.30am – 4.30pm, Dromantine Conference Centre Fee: Early Bird £35, Standard £40 including lunch & Materials. To book and for more information contact OPRFM 00353429336649 Email: parishandfamily@gamil.com

Recently Deceased

Hugh O'Hare, Violet Hill Avenue
Maureen Taylor, McManus Court
Sr. Louis Grant, St. Clare's Convent, Ashgrove

Dromore Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes 17th-22nd May 2016. Price: £550.00

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