

# Parish of Newry

Sunday 21 April 2019  
Easter Sunday

Some time after we have been bereaved, they tell us, we need "closure": that is, we need to leave the painful event in the past, and though we will never cease to love our departed relative or friend, we have to get on with our life. This process begins with the funeral; "we bring the body of our brother or sister to its place of rest," as the funeral liturgy says. In a strange way, that place of rest is a place of rest for us too. It is painful and yet it is a comfort to visit the grave: our sorrow is able to focus itself there. When for some reason there has been no funeral - when the person is "missing presumed dead" - there is a kind of unending pain that can never come to "closure".

What the disciples found on the first Easter Sunday morning was an empty tomb. There was to be no "closure": it was to become a matter of quite different significance. It was to be the beginning of a story, and not the end. The new story would not be, "He is dead," but "He is risen." Jesus would not belong just to the past, he would never be left behind while we go on with our lives. He is risen! He goes before us! It is not closure but opening to a new kind of life.

"Alleluia!" This has been the shout of Christians from the beginning and uninterrupted through the ages. They pronounce it differently in different places, but it is always the same Hebrew word. It means "Praise God!" It is an exclamation of joy. It's the word that expresses a Christian's fundamental outlook on life.

Is it realistic to be always positive and joyful like that? Surely there are times for sadness and dejection!

In answer, may I quote a passage from an address that Timothy Radcliffe made to a general assembly of Dominicans as Master of the order? He took a verse from John's gospel (20:19): "Jesus came and

stood among them and said to them, 'Peace be with you.' And he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord." Then Fr Radcliffe said:

"It is the sight of the wounded Christ that frees the disciples from fear and makes them glad. It is the wounded Christ that transforms them into preachers. . . .When we see the wounded Christ, then we can face the fact that we are already hurt. Perhaps we have been hurt by our childhoods, by growing up in dysfunctional families, or by our experience of religious life, by botched attempts to love, by ideological conflicts in the Church, by sin. Every one of us is a wounded preacher. But the good news is that we are preachers because we are wounded. Gerard Vann, an English Dominican, was one of the most famous writers on spirituality in the English-speaking world since the Second World War. He struggled with alcoholism and depression all his life. That is why he had something to say. We have a word of hope and mercy because we have needed them ourselves. On my bookshelves I have a book written by an old French Dominican called Les Cicatrices, (The Scars). In this book he tells how he came to Christ through the hurts of his life. And when he gave it to me he wrote a dedication, 'For Timothy who knows that the scars can become the doors of the sun.'"

The wonder of the Resurrection is that everything, even our wounds and failures, becomes the stuff of new life.

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,  
12noon and 5.30pm.  
Weekday Mass Times :  
Monday to Friday : 8.30am  
& 10.30am.  
Saturday : 10.30am

### St. Brigid's Church, Rooney's Meadow

Saturday Evening  
(Vigil Mass) : 7.30pm  
Sunday : 9.30am  
(Po Polsku)  
Monday : 7.30pm

### St. Mary's Church, Chapel Street

Sunday : 9.00am  
(Latin Mass) & 11.00am  
Friday : 7.30pm

### 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 – 6.00pm  
Sunday 1.00pm – 4.00pm.  
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.

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## THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

*Congregation stands*

**Entrance Hymn or Entrance Antiphon** **Cf. Ps 138:18. 5-6**

**All:** I have risen, and I am with you still, alleluia.  
You have laid your hand upon me, alleluia.  
Too wonderful for me, this knowledge,  
alleluia, alleluia.

## GREETING

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

**All:** **Amen**

**Priest:** The Lord be with you.

**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:** Lord Jesus, you came to reconcile us to one another and to the Father:  
Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

**Priest:** Lord Jesus, you heal the wounds of sin and division:  
Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**

**Priest:** Lord Jesus, you intercede for us with your Father:  
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 GLORIA

**All:** **Glory to God in the highest,  
and on earth peace to people of good will.**

**We praise you, we bless you,  
we adore you, we glorify you,  
we give you thanks for your great glory,  
Lord God, heavenly King,  
O God, almighty Father.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,  
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
you take away the sins of the world,  
have mercy on us;  
you take away the sins of the world,  
receive our prayer;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father,  
have mercy on us.**

**For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the  
Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.  
Amen.**

## THE COLLECT

**Priest:** Let us pray.

*Pause for silent prayer*

**Priest:** O God, who on this day,  
through your Only Begotten Son,  
have conquered death  
and unlocked for us the path to eternity,  
grant, we pray, that we who keep  
the solemnity of the Lord's Resurrection

may, through the renewal brought by your Spirit,  
rise up in the light of life.  
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 Acts of the Apostles

10:34. 37-43

Peter addressed Cornelius and his household: 'You must have heard about the recent happenings in Judaea; about Jesus of Nazareth and how he began in Galilee, after John had been preaching baptism. God had anointed him with the Holy Spirit and with power, and because God was with him, Jesus went about doing good and curing all who had fallen into the power of the devil. Now I, and those with me, can witness to everything he did throughout the countryside of Judaea and in Jerusalem itself: and also to the fact that they killed him by hanging him on a tree, yet three days afterwards God raised him to life and allowed him to be seen, not by the whole people but only by certain witnesses God had chosen beforehand. Now we are those witnesses – we have eaten and drunk with him after his resurrection from the dead – and he has ordered us to proclaim this to his people and to tell them that God has appointed him to judge everyone, alive or dead. It is to him that all the prophets bear this witness: that all who believe in Jesus will have their sins forgiven through his name.'

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

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 117:1-2. 16-17. 22-23. R v.24

**(R) This day was made by the Lord; we rejoice and are glad.**

1. Give thanks to the Lord for he is good,  
for his love has no end.  
Let the sons of Israel say:  
'His love has no end.' (R)
2. The Lord's right hand has triumphed;  
his right hand raised me up.  
I shall not die, I shall live  
and recount his deeds. (R)
3. The stone which the builders rejected  
has become the corner stone.  
This is the work of the Lord,  
a marvel in our eyes. (R)

### SECOND READING

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Colossians

3:1-4

Since you have been brought back to true life with Christ, you must look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is, sitting at God's right hand. Let your thoughts be on heavenly things, not on the things that are on the earth, because you have died, and now the life you have is hidden with Christ in God. But when Christ is revealed – and he is your life – you too will be revealed in all your glory with him.

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

*Congregation stands*

### SEQUENCE

Christians, to the Paschal Victim offer sacrifice and praise.  
The sheep are ransomed by the Lamb;  
and Christ, the undefiled,  
hath sinners to his Father reconciled.

Death with life contended: combat strangely ended!  
 Life's own Champion, slain, yet lives to reign.  
 Tell us, Mary: say what thou didst see upon the way.  
 The tomb the Living did enclose;  
 I saw Christ's glory as he rose!  
 The angels there attesting;  
 shroud with grave-clothes resting.  
 Christ, my hope, has risen: he goes before you into Galilee.  
 That Christ is truly risen from the dead we know.  
 Victorious king, thy mercy show!

**ACCLAMATION** 1 Cor 5:7-8

**All:** Alleluia, alleluia!  
**Christ, our Passover, has been sacrificed;  
 let us celebrate the feast then, in the Lord.  
 Alleluia!**

**GOSPEL**

**Priest:** The Lord be with you.  
**All:** **And with your spirit.**  
**Priest:** A reading from the holy Gospel according to John 20: 1-9  
**All:** **Glory to you, O Lord.**

It was very early on the first day of the week and still dark, when Mary of Magdala came to the tomb. She saw that the stone had been moved away from the tomb and came running to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus loved. 'They have taken the Lord out of the tomb' she said 'and we don't know where they have put him.'

So Peter set out with the other disciple to go to the tomb. They ran together, but the other disciple, running faster than Peter, reached the tomb first; he bent down and saw the linen cloths lying on the ground, but did not go in. Simon Peter who was following now came up, went right into the tomb, saw the linen cloths on the ground, and also the cloth that had been over his head; this was not with the linen cloths but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple who had reached the tomb first also went in; he saw and he believed. Till this moment they had failed to understand the teaching of scripture, that he must rise from the dead.

**All:** The Gospel of the Lord.  
**Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.**

*Congregation sits*

**HOMILY**

*Congregation stands*

**THE RENEWAL OF BAPTISMAL PROMISES**

**Priest:** Dear brothers and sisters, through the Paschal Mystery we have been buried with Christ in Baptism, so that we may walk with him in newness of life. And so, now that our Lenten observance is concluded, let us renew the promises of Holy Baptism, by which we once renounced Satan and his works and promised to serve God in the holy Catholic Church. And so I ask you:

**Priest:** Do you renounce Satan?  
**All:** **I do.**

**Priest:** And all his works?  
**All:** **I do.**

**Priest:** And all his empty show?  
**All:** **I do.**

*Then the Priest continues:*

**Priest:** Do you believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth?  
**All:** **I do.**

**Priest:** Do you believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was born of the Virgin Mary, suffered death and was buried, rose again from the dead and is seated at the right hand of the Father?

**All:** **I do.**

**Priest:** Do you believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting?

**All:** **I do.**

**Priest:** And may almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given us new birth by water and the Holy Spirit and bestowed on us forgiveness of our sins, keep us by his grace, in Christ Jesus our Lord, for eternal life.

**All:** **Amen.**

*The Celebrant sprinkles the people with the blessed water.*

**PRAYER 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:** Exultant with paschal gladness, O Lord,  
we offer the sacrifice  
by which your Church  
is wondrously reborn and nourished.  
Through Christ our Lord.

**All:** **Amen**

*Congregation stands*

## EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER I

**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 (The Paschal Mystery)

**Priest:** It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation,  
at all times to acclaim you, O Lord, but on this day  
above all to laud you yet more gloriously,  
when Christ our Passover has been sacrificed.

For he is the true Lamb  
who has taken away the sins of the world;  
by dying he has destroyed our death,  
and by rising, restored our life.

Therefore, overcome with paschal joy,  
every land, every people exults in your praise  
and even the heavenly Powers, with the angelic hosts,  
sing together the unending hymn of your glory,  
as they 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:** To you, therefore, most merciful Father,  
we make humble prayer and petition  
through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord:  
that you accept and bless + these gifts, these  
offerings, these holy and unblemished sacrifices,  
which we offer you firstly for your holy catholic  
Church. Be pleased to grant her peace, to guard, unite  
and govern her throughout the whole world,  
together with your servant Francis our Pope,  
and all those who, holding to  
the truth, hand on the catholic and apostolic faith.

Remember, Lord, your servants **N.** and **N.**  
and all gathered here,  
whose faith and devotion are known to you.  
For them, we offer you this sacrifice of praise  
or they offer it for themselves and all who are dear to  
them: for the redemption of their souls,  
in hope of health and well-being, and paying their  
homage to you, the eternal God, living and true.

Celebrating the most sacred day  
of the Resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ in the flesh,  
and in communion with those whose memory we  
venerate, especially the glorious ever-Virgin Mary,  
Mother of our God and Lord, Jesus Christ,  
and blessed Joseph, her Spouse,  
your blessed Apostles and Martyrs, Peter and Paul,

Andrew, and all your Saints; we ask that through their  
merits and prayers, in all things we may be defended  
by your protecting help.

Therefore, Lord, we pray;  
graciously accept this oblation of our service,  
that of your whole family; which we make to you  
also for those to whom you have been pleased to give  
the new birth of water and the Holy Spirit,  
granting them forgiveness of all their sins;  
order our days in your peace, and command that we  
be delivered from eternal damnation and counted  
among the flock of those you have chosen.

Be pleased, O God, we pray, to bless, acknowledge,  
and approve this offering in every respect;  
make it spiritual and acceptable,  
so that it may become for us the Body and Blood of  
your most beloved Son, our Lord Jesus Christ.

On the day before he was to suffer,  
he took bread in his holy and venerable hands,  
and with eyes raised to heaven to you, O God, his  
almighty Father, 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 this precious chalice  
in his holy and venerable hands,  
and once more giving you thanks, he said the blessing  
and gave the chalice 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 blessed Passion, the Resurrection from the dead,  
and the glorious Ascension into heaven  
of Christ, your Son, our Lord, we, your servants and  
your holy people, offer to your glorious majesty from  
the gifts that you have given us, this pure victim,  
this holy victim, this spotless victim,  
the holy Bread of eternal life  
and the Chalice of everlasting salvation.

Be pleased to look upon these offerings  
with a serene and kindly countenance,  
and to accept them, as once you were pleased to  
accept the gifts of your servant Abel the just,  
the sacrifice of Abraham, our father in faith,  
and the offering of your high priest Melchizedek,  
a holy sacrifice, a spotless victim.

In humble prayer we ask you, almighty God:  
command that these gifts be borne  
by the hands of your holy Angel to your altar on high  
in the sight of your divine majesty,  
so that all of us, who through this participation at the  
altar receive the most holy Body and Blood of your Son,  
may be filled with every grace and heavenly blessing.

Remember also, Lord, your servants **N.** and **N.**,  
who have gone before us with the sign of faith  
and rest in the sleep of peace.

Grant them, O Lord, we pray, and all who sleep in Christ, a place of refreshment, light and peace.

To us, also, your servants, who, though sinners, hope in your abundant mercies, graciously grant some share and fellowship with your holy Apostles and Martyrs: with John the Baptist, Stephen, Matthias, Barnabas, and all your Saints; admit us, we beseech you, into their company, not weighing our merits, but granting us your pardon, through Christ our Lord.

Through whom you continue to make all these good things, O Lord; you sanctify them, fill them with life, bless them, and bestow them upon us.

**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

1 Cor 5:7-8

**All:** **Christ our Passover has been sacrificed, alleluia; therefore let us keep the feast with the unleavened bread of purity and truth, alleluia, alleluia.**

*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. Look upon your Church, O God, with unfailing love and favour, so that, renewed by the paschal mysteries, she may come to the glory of the resurrection. Through Christ our Lord.

**All:** **Amen**

## THE CONCLUDING RITES

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

**Priest:** May God, who by the Resurrection of his Only Begotten Son was pleased to confer on you the gift of redemption and of adoption, give you gladness by his blessing.

**All:** **Amen**

**Priest:** May he, by whose redeeming work you have received the gift of everlasting freedom, make you heirs to an eternal inheritance.

**All:** **Amen**

**Priest:** Any may you, who have already risen with Christ in Baptism through faith, by living in a right manner on this earth, be united with him in the homeland of heaven.

**All:** **Amen**

**Priest:** And may the blessing of almighty God, the Father, and the Son, + and the Holy Spirit, come down on you and remain with you for ever.

**All:** **Amen**

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

**Priest:** Go forth, the Mass is ended, alleluia, alleluia.

**All:** **Thanks be to God, alleluia, alleluia.**

**Message from the Administrator**

On behalf of the priests of the parish, I take this opportunity to wish you all a meaningful and joyous Easter. At this point I would like to warmly welcome Archbishop Eamon Martin, Archbishop of Armagh who will now be our Spiritual Leader and Guide. Also, many thanks to Bishop Boyce as he resumes his retirement, we wish both of them good health and happiness.

I extend a word of thanks to the many people who lend a helping hand in the parish and are so generous of their time. Thanks to the Organists and Choirs in each of the Churches for your valuable contribution to the various liturgies. We appreciate the assistance of the Office Staff, Sacristans, the Altar Servers, the Adult Servers, Readers and Eucharistic Ministers, the Collectors, those who count the Collection on a weekly basis, the Flower Arrangers and the Cleaners in the churches. The Offertory Promise committee, Finance Committee, Parish Pastoral Council, Liturgy Committee, Baptism Team, Do This in Memory Programme, the Liturgy of the Word, the Online Media Team. Thank you for your dedication to Newry Parish.

Fr. Desmond Loughran

**Trocaire Boxes**

You are reminded that your Trócaire Collection box should be returned to the Parish either by putting it in the collection baskets at Masses or by leaving it in the Sacristy or Parish Office. Please do not leave your Trócaire box in the churches.

**MASS TIMES FOR EASTER WEEK**

**Please Note:**

**NO 5.30PM MASS** in the Cathedral on Easter Sunday.

**NO 8.30AM MASS in the Cathedral from Monday 22nd April – 8.30am Mass will resume on Monday 29th April.**

**10.30am MASS ONLY IN THE CATHEDRAL MONDAY – SATURDAY.**

**NO** Evening Mass on Monday 22nd in St. Brigid’s Church.

**No** Evening Mass on Friday 25th in St. Mary’s Church.

**NO 7.30AM MASS** in St. Catherine’s Church from Monday 22nd April. 7.30am Mass will resume on Monday 29th April.

Vigil Masses as usual on Saturday 27th April in Cathedral, St. Brigid’s & St. Catherine’s

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**Recently Deceased**

May McVeigh/Trainor, 6 Slievegullion Road

**Dromore Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes  
21st – 26th May 2019.**

**Price: £660.00 Single Supplement £170.00**

Bookings are now being taken for the Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes. Application forms are available from the Parish Office, Hill Street.

**Parish Office Opening Hours**

The Parish Office will be closed for the Easter Holidays from 2.30pm on Good Friday and will re-open on Monday 29th April at 9.00am.

If you require a priest in an emergency please telephone: 028 302 62586.

**Celebration of the Feast of Mercy**

The Feast of the Divine Mercy will be celebrated in St. Catherine’s Church, Dominic Street & the Cathedral on Sunday 28th April 2019.

**St. Catherine’s Church:**

Commencing 2.00 – 2.45pm. Penitential Service with individual confession and individual absolution. 3.00pm – Mass.

**Cathedral:**

Commencing 3.00pm – Eucharistic Holy Hour with confessions during and after. Blessing of Divine Mercy Image and adoration.

**NB. This celebration does not include Mass as the normal parish Sunday Mass takes place at 5.30pm.**

**ACCORD CATHOLIC MARRIAGE CARE SERVICE**

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**Easteride Retreat –**

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“Come away to some lonely place all by yourselves and rest for a while” –

Mark 6:31. Led by Fr. Joseph Ralph OP on Saturday 18th May from 10am – 5pm

Concludes with the celebration of the Eucharist. Venue: Lectio Centre, 35-37

Dominic St. To book Tel: Joan 302 62178 suggested donation £15.00

**Recently Baptised**

Sadie Bridget Leonard, 76 Killeavy Road

Mia Maé Thompson, 56 Barcroft Park

Jack Matthew Johnston, 46 Glenanne Road, Mountnorris

Finbar Thomas Carroll, 4 Corcary Road

**OFFERTORY COLLECTION**

**Sunday 14 April**

|                        |                 |
|------------------------|-----------------|
| Parish Collection      | £ 4078.88       |
| Loose Plate Collection | £ 2168.00       |
| Direct Debits          | <u>£ 454.70</u> |
|                        | £ 6701.58       |

**Newry Parish is part of the Dromore Diocesan Trust. Registered with the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland. NIC105046.**

## NEWRY PARISH ANNIVERSARIES FOR OUR DECEASED RELATIVES

### Cathedral Anniversaries

|                          |                |   |
|--------------------------|----------------|---|
| <b>Sunday 21 April</b>   | <b>8.30am</b>  | John & Susan Murchan, Mullaghbawn & Geraldine Pentony, Bessbrook<br>Russell Boy, Newry, Omeath & Warrenpoint   John Declan Bennett, Barley Lane<br>Sean Burke, Sandy Hill   Helen Devine, Downshire Road   Marty O'Hare, Drumiller Road<br>Jerrettspass   P J & Kathleen Shevlin, Pound Street  |
|                          | <b>10.00am</b> |   |
|                          | <b>12 noon</b> | Kathleen & Nicholas Shevlin, Carrickmacross & deceased members of the Brennan & Shevlin Families   Mary & Patrick J Quinn, Dora Avenue   Sarah Quinn, Cherrywood Grove<br>Mary Savage & deceased family members, Dundalk  |
| <b>Monday 22 April</b>   | <b>10.30am</b> | Maureen Martin, Ballyholland Park   Malachy & Kathleen Cunningham, Monaghan Row.<br>Marian McAllister (nee Rooney), Cole Court   Michael Reilly, Flagstaff Court  |
| <b>Saturday 27 April</b> | <b>6.00pm</b>  | <b>Hugh McEntee, Crossmaglen (M.M)</b> Marcus McEntee, Carrickmacross.<br>Michael, Bridie, Ann & Carol Ruddy, Mourneview Park   William & Margaret McKeown & Deceased family members, St. Clare's Avenue   May & Paddy Woods, Carlingford Park & Fred & Lil Jolley, Newry   Kevin Conway, Glenpatrick Lawns   Moira McCormick, Toragh Park<br>Carmelo & Guiseppe Merceica, Malta   Bridie McAnulty, Greenwood Drive<br>Frances McCartan, Crieve Court<br>William & Alice Rodgers, The Manse |
| <b>Sunday 28 April</b>   | <b>10.00am</b> |   |
|                          | <b>12 noon</b> |   |

### St. Mary's Anniversaries

|                        |                |  |
|------------------------|----------------|--|
| <b>Sunday 21 April</b> | <b>9.00am</b>  | <b>Brian Boyle, Lisa Heights (M.M)</b><br>Jim Havern, Greenfield Park   Michael & Margaret Fearon, Chapel Street<br>Stephen & Elizabeth Fearon & Brigid Curran, The Locks & Pamela Dixon, Caiseal Court<br>Maura Slevin, Loughview Park   Ann Elizabeth Rice, O'Neill Avenue<br>Briege Campbell, Commons Way   Kathleen & Patrick Sweeney, Grinan Road<br>Mary McMahan, Drumgullion Avenue & deceased family members<br>Dan & May McCann, O'Neill Avenue, Paddy & Bridie McCann, Drumgullion Avenue,<br>George & Bridget McGivern, High Street & May O'Hanlon, Chapel Street<br>Bobby Carson, O'Neill Avenue & deceased members of the Carson Family, Newry,<br>Poyntzpass & Australia   The O'Hare Family, Pound Road |
|                        | <b>11.00am</b> |  |
| <b>Sunday 28 April</b> | <b>11.00am</b> | Lily McAteer, Damolly Road & Mary McAteer, Wolston, Warrington & Patrick & Mary Ann McAteer, Derryleeka   Pat Joe McAteer, Innisfree Park  |

### St. Brigid's Anniversaries

|                          |                |   |
|--------------------------|----------------|---|
| <b>Sunday 21 April</b>   | <b>11.30am</b> | Francis, Elizabeth & William Spencer, St. Patrick's Avenue & Madge Smyth, Dublin<br>Elizabeth Powell, Killeavy Road, Elaine Hainsworth & Eugene Powell, Bradford  |
| <b>Saturday 27 April</b> | <b>7.30pm</b>  | Margaret & Thomas Malone, North St   Pat & Nora O'Rourke, Greenisland, Warrenpoint Rd<br>Charles & Sheila Goodwin, Ashgrove Park & Joe & Kay McAnoy, Beechmount Park<br>Brigid Browne, The Browne & Finlay Families, Mourneview Park<br>Arthur & Catherine Maguire, George's Lane & deceased family members |

### St. Catherine's Anniversaries

|                           |                |   |
|---------------------------|----------------|---|
| <b>Saturday 20 April</b>  | <b>7.30pm</b>  | Michael Vint   Edward, Christina, Thomas & Mary Clarke   Patsy Doherty<br>Teresa Courtney & deceased members of the McGarry & Courtney Families   |
| <b>Sunday 21 April</b>    | <b>8.00am</b>  | Evelyn Chambers   Folia Rice  |
|                           | <b>9.30am</b>  | Edward Poland   |
|                           | <b>11.00am</b> | Rose & Patrick Morgan   Marie McClorey   Hugh Clarke & deceased family   Ross Kerrin<br>Michael & Magdalene Matthews   Patsy McKeown   Celine Hollywood<br>Eunan McSwiggan<br>Benefactors of Church & Priory   The Clifford Family, Fintan, Rose & Eugene Clifford<br>John Hughes |
| <b>Monday 22 April</b>    | <b>11.00am</b> | Michael & Joseph Maguire  |
|                           | <b>7.30pm</b>  | Gerry & Peggy Cosgrove  |
| <b>Wednesday 24 April</b> | <b>11.00am</b> | Josephine Goss  |
|                           | <b>7.30pm</b>  | Bridie Mooney   |
| <b>Thursday 25 April</b>  | <b>11.00am</b> | Patrick & Margaret Hanratty   Christopher Tomelty   |
|                           | <b>7.30pm</b>  | Paddy & Nancy McCarthy   Kitty Lennon   Terry Hanna   |
| <b>Friday 26 April</b>    | <b>7.30pm</b>  | Gerald McAlinden  |
| <b>Saturday 27 April</b>  | <b>7.30pm</b>  | Geraldine McAteer   |
| <b>Sunday 28 April</b>    | <b>9.30am</b>  | Pat McKeown   Frank & Lily McCamley   |
|                           | <b>11.00am</b> | Bernard Morrissey   Kate McSherry   John & Kathleen Byrne   Edward Bannon   |
|                           | <b>12.15pm</b> | Benefactors of Church & Priory   Patrick & Mary McInerney   |

#### **Lough Derg One Day Retreats begin on**

Saturday 4th May and continue on 5th, 6th, 11th, 12th, 14th, 19th, 21st, 25th, 26th and 27th. Why not take some time and space on Lough Derg personally or as a parish group this May?

A NEW event for those who serve in lay parish ministry, is our Parish Ministry Day Saturday 18th May.

Booking essential. Tel: 0(0353) 71 9861518. Email: info@loughderg.org

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