

Parishes of Newry & Saval

Sunday 6 March 2022

The First Sunday of Lent

John the Baptist had no questions about his own identity, even when he had been thrown into the dungeon, this child of the desert. He sent word to Jesus, "Are you the one who is to come, or are we to wait for another?" (Lk 7:20). 'Are we to wait for another?' He had doubts about Jesus but not about himself!

What are we to make of the temptations of Jesus? Were they real temptations? If they were, then he was seeking to understand his own identity and considering different ways of spending the rest of his life. If they were not, then the whole scene was only a charade. It is not at all to doubt his divinity if we take the temptations seriously. He was divine, but his human mind was human: that is, limited. The three gospels that tell of his temptations link them with his baptism in the Jordan. He came to the Jordan as an unknown carpenter, and the Holy Spirit came and "rested on him" (others are touched or moved by the Spirit, but the Spirit "rested" on Jesus). He was catapulted out of his old way of life; Mark says the Spirit "drove him out into the desert" (1:12). The Voice had said to him "You are my Son, the Beloved; my favour rests on you." To see how he was going to spend the rest of his life, he had to have time to think and pray and struggle.

Remember, too, that in the New Testament the word 'temptation' means 'test'; Jesus was being put to the test.

A temptation may come from the outside, but unless it goes to the inside it is not a temptation. The first temptation was to be a material provider. This is a good thing to be. How do you tempt a good person? – with goodness, because he will not take an evil bait. It's not so difficult to be a material provider, and in fact most people can do it for themselves. But if Jesus had given in to this temptation, the work would have absorbed him completely, distracting him from his real task, which only he could do.

The next temptation was to power. This is always a subtle one, and very easily rationalised. Any kind of power will do. It was said of someone that he entered the priesthood in order to do good, and did well instead. I can persuade myself that a position of power would give me greater opportunities of doing good. Jesus avoided this trap too. The most distinctive thing about him throughout his public life was his refusal of power. In the end he made himself utterly powerless on the Cross. It is very moving to see that that choice was not automatic, but conscious and deliberate. The third temptation, which cannot have occupied his mind for long, was to become a celebrity.

Some scholars suggest that this gospel passage was a summary story; that is, that it describes a process that went on throughout his life, rather than a single occasion. Whether or not that is the case, it is certainly the case that these temptations are ever-present for the disciples of Jesus, the Church. Most of us would find it easier to buy groceries for someone than to sit and listen to their pain and confusion, or their anger.... As for power and glory: that is a long story! We may imagine sometimes we are defending the power and glory of God when in reality we are only defending the worldly power and pride of the Church. The Church's identity does not consist in titles and honours and regal dress, but in following the poor man of Nazareth. We, the disciples of Jesus, the Church, have to be driven into the desert again and again... until we understand profoundly and embrace wholeheartedly the way the Cross.

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

The Cathedral of SS. Patrick & Colman, Hill Street

Weekend Mass Times
Saturday (vigil Mass)
6.00pm
Sunday: 9.00am, 12noon
& 5.30pm
Weekday Mass Times
Monday – Saturday
10.30am

St. Brigid's Church, Rooney's Meadow

Weekend Mass Times
Saturday Evening (vigil
Mass) 7.30pm
Friday: 7.30pm

St. Colman's Shinn

Saturday: 7.30pm

St. Mary's Church, Chapel Street

Tuesday: 7.30pm
Sunday: 9.00am
(Latin Mass)
Sunday: 10.30am

St. Joseph's Sheeptown

Sunday: 10.30am

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

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8.00am, 9.30am, 11.00am & 12.30

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INTRODUCTORY RITES

Congregation stands

**Entrance Hymn or
Entrance Antiphon**

Cf. Ps 90:15-16

All: When he calls on me, I will answer him;
I will deliver him and give him glory,
I will grant him length of days.

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 COLLECT

Priest: Let us pray.

Pause for silent prayer

Priest: Grant, almighty God,
through the yearly observances of holy Lent,
that we may grow in understanding
of the riches hidden in Christ
and by worthy conduct pursue their effects.
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 Deuteronomy **26:4-10**

Moses said to the people: 'The priest shall take the panner
from your hand and lay it before the altar of the Lord your
God. Then, in the sight of the Lord your God, you must make
this pronouncement:

" My father was a wandering Aramaean. He went
down into Egypt to find refuge there, few in numbers; but
there he became a nation, great, mighty, and strong. The
Egyptians ill-treated us, they gave us no peace and inflicted
harsh slavery on us. But we called on the Lord, the God of our
fathers. The Lord heard our voice and saw our misery, our toil
and our oppression; and the Lord brought us out of Egypt
with mighty hand and outstretched arm, with great terror,

and with signs and wonders. He brought us here and gave us
this land, a land where milk and honey flow. Here then I bring
the first-fruits of the produce of the soil that you, Lord, have
given me." You must then lay them before the Lord your God,
and bow down in the sight of the Lord your God.'

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

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 90:1-2. 10-15. R v.15

(R) Be with me, O Lord, in my distress.

1. He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High
and abides in the shade of the Almighty
says to the Lord: 'My refuge,
my stronghold, my God in whom I trust!' **(R)**
2. Upon you no evil shall fall,
no plague approach where you dwell.
For you has he commanded his angels,
to keep you in all your ways. **(R)**
3. They shall bear you upon their hands
lest you strike your foot against a stone.
On the lion and the viper you will tread
and trample the young lion and the dragon. **(R)**
4. His love he set on me, so I will rescue him;
protect him for he knows my name.
When he calls I shall answer: 'I am with you.'
I will save him in distress and give him glory. **(R)**

SECOND READING

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans **10:8-13**

Scripture says: The word, that is the faith we proclaim, is very
near to you, it is on your lips and in your heart. If your lips
confess that Jesus is Lord and if you believe in your heart
that God raised him from the dead, then you will be saved.
By believing from the heart you are made righteous; by
confessing with your lips you are saved. When scripture
says: those who believe in him will have no cause for shame,
it makes no distinction between Jew and Greek: all belong
to the same Lord who is rich enough, however many ask for
his help, for everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will
be saved.

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

Congregation stands

ACCLAMATION Mt 4:4

All: Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory!
Man does not live on bread alone but on every
word that comes from the mouth of God.
Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory!

GOSPEL

Priest: The Lord be with you.
All: And with your spirit.
Priest: A reading from the holy
Gospel according to Luke **4:1-13**

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Jesus left the Jordan and was led
by the Spirit through the wilderness, being tempted there by
the devil for forty days. During that time he ate nothing and
at the end he was hungry. Then the devil said to him, 'If you
are the Son of God, tell this stone to turn into a loaf.'

But Jesus replied, 'Scripture says: Man does not live on bread alone.'

Then leading him to a height, the devil showed him in a moment of time all the kingdoms of the world and said to him, 'I will give you all this power and the glory of these kingdoms, for it has been committed to me and I give it to anyone I choose. Worship me, then, and it shall all be yours.' But Jesus answered him. 'Scripture says:

You must worship the Lord your God,
and serve him alone.'

Then he led him to Jerusalem and made him stand on the parapet of the Temple. 'If you are the Son of God,' he said to him 'throw yourself down from here, for scripture says:

He will put his angels in charge of you
to guard you,

and again:

They will hold you up on their hands
in case you hurt your foot against a stone.'

But Jesus answered him, 'It has been said:

You must not put the Lord your God to the test.'

Having exhausted all these ways of tempting him, the devil left him, to return at the appointed time.

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.**

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,
the 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: Give us the right dispositions, O Lord, we pray,
to make these offerings,
for with them we celebrate the beginning

of this venerable and sacred time.
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 (Temptation of the Lord)

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, through Christ our Lord.

By abstaining forty long days from earthly food, he consecrated through his fast the pattern of our Lenten observance and, by overturning all the snares of the ancient serpent, taught us to cast out the leaven of malice, so that, celebrating worthily the Paschal Mystery, we might pass over at last to the eternal paschal feast.

And so, with the company of Angels and Saints, we sing the hymn of your praise, 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, 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: Save us, Saviour of the world,
for by your Cross and Resurrection
you have set us free.**

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 unfailling 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 for ever 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.**

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:

Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the living God, who, by the will of the Father and the work of the Holy Spirit, through your Death gave life to the world, free me by this, your most holy Body and Blood, from all my sins and from every evil; keep me always faithful to your commandments, and never let me be parted from you.

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

Mt 4:4

All: **One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes forth from the mouth of God.**

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.
Renewed now with heavenly bread, by which faith is nourished, hope increased, and charity strengthened, we pray, O Lord, that we may learn to hunger for Christ, the true and living Bread, and strive to live by every word which proceeds from your mouth.
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: May bountiful blessing, O Lord, we pray, come down upon your people, that hope may grow in tribulation, virtue be strengthened in temptation, and eternal redemption be assured.
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 forth, the Mass is ended.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

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Message from the Administrator

The first thing to remember about the Gospel this weekend is that the symbolic narrative of the temptations of Jesus reveals that these are our temptations as well. Jesus' temptations were a challenge to all that was fundamental to his mission and, as followers of Jesus, they are just as relevant and challenging to us today.

Jesus' first temptation was to turn stones into bread. In some cultures, the word 'bread' is another word for money. In this context it symbolises material things in general. But Jesus knew that material possessions in themselves will never fully satisfy the hungers of the human heart. Jesus' desire was that nothing should get in the way of enabling each of us to realise our potential nor threaten our dignity as human persons. Our primary focus, he taught, is our spiritual relationship with oneself, others, our beautiful planet, and our God.

The Second and Third Temptations to which Jesus was exposed were the temptations to do something spectacular and to worship that which could win him great applause. These temptations would allow power, rather than love, to be the dominant force in his life. Power is an easy substitute for the hard work of love and is a temptation faced by all of us. Jesus refused to engage with these temptations in the knowledge that our worth and dignity as human beings is not determined nor defined by spectacular achievements. We are so much more than that. Jesus knew that solidarity with one another, rather than comparisons and competition, is what enables us to find true meaning and fulfilment in life.

The three temptations of Jesus were an attack on all that was essential to his ministry, a ministry characterised by humble service and dedicated to bringing God's unconditional love to all.

The temptations were a step for Jesus in his growing understanding of his mission and of his relationship with his Father. Can you look back at some painful experiences and acknowledge that you have grown through them, both in your knowledge of yourself, and in your relationships with others and with God? Give thanks for the guidance of the Spirit of God in these times.

Canon Francis Brown

Carlos Esteban Rojo

We extend our congratulations to Carlos who will be ordained a Deacon in St. Patrick's Cathedral, Armagh on the 8th May at the 12.30pm Mass. It is a very important day for him and his family.

His Ordination coincides with the Blessing of the Graves in St. Mary's Cemetery. As we will be in Armagh at the Ordination to support Carlos, I am proposing that we have the blessing of the graves at 7.00pm on the evening of the 8th May.

LORD TEACH US TO PRAY

The sisters of St Clare are delighted to be able to invite you to our beautiful convent in Glenvale after the long period of closure due to Covid, for a course on Prayer during the 6 Sundays of Lent. Starting on Sunday 6th March at 7.30pm.

Numbers are limited so early booking essential.

Please contact 028 30 832828

To Register a Baptism

To register for the Baptism programme for parents having a baby baptised in March please email baptism@newrycathedralparish.org
This programme is for parents and sponsors.

Exposition of The Blessed Sacrament

The Blessed Sacrament is exposed in the Cathedral every Thursday from 5.00pm until 9.00pm, on Saturday from after the 10.30am Mass until 5.30pm and Sunday from after the 12 noon Mass until 5.30pm. We invite parishioners to come and spend some time in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament.

Help your parish – Volunteers are required as Eucharistic Ministers, Readers, Stewards, Collectors, members of the various choirs and people to assist with the counting of money. A volunteer form is available at the back of the church. Please consider offering your service for one or more of these ministries. Please return your completed form to the parish office of the sacristy.

RECENTLY DECEASED

Phil O'Hanlon, *Greenwood Villas*
Christina Hanna, *Abbey Heights*
Maureen Murphy, *formerly Blaney Crescent*

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Reflection Days at SMA Dromantine

Sunday 6th March 9.30am – 5.30pm

'A Lenten Day of Reflection' provides time and space to reflect and pray on Lenten Themes in preparation for the celebration of Holy Week and Easter. Led by Fr. Damian Bresnahan SMA cost (including full lunch) £35 / €40.

'The Wonder of Creation: the Miracle of Life'

Friday 11th March 5pm – Sunday 13th March (2pm)

Message of hope and challenge in a Planetary Emergency. In contemplating the wonder of our Common Home and current threats to its integrity, we will explore an ecological vision in responding to the cry of the poor at this time of unprecedented planetary change. Led by Sr. Nellie McLaughlin RSM. Cost: £220/€260 including full board.

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DROMORE DIOCESAN HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Monday 14th March 2022: @7:30pm To celebrate St Patrick's Week, the Society will host an online lecture by **Geoff Cobb** entitled "10 Northern Irish immigrants who left their mark on New York".

Geoff Cobb, a very active historian and chronicler of Irish life in New York, is the author of "The Irish in New York" 2021. His talk will be a new and exciting venture for the Society. Access to the event will be available from 7:20pm. The talk will start at 7:30pm sharp. A link to the talk can be obtained by e-mailing the Hon Secretary goss.jjm@gmail.com and will be forwarded on Monday March 14th

RECENTLY BAPTISED

Saoirse Grace Matthews, *18 Chapel Road*
Kiana Serban Magee, *4 Fourth Avenue*
Mason Serban Magee, *4 Fourth Avenue*
Sophie Mary McGovern, *6 The Oaks*
Luán James Fox, *48 Carlingford Park*

NEWRY PARISH ANNIVERSARIES FOR OUR DECEASED RELATIVES

Cathedral Anniversaries

Saturday 5 March	10.30am	Noel O'Hare, Betty'shill Road (M.M) Alfredo Neponucero, Laurel Grove
	6.00pm	Kathleen Meehan, Willow Grove (M.M) Charles Keenan, Courtney Hill & Josephine & Joseph Rooney, Courtney Hill Philip & Gertrude Campbell, New Street Sean Burns, Drumlis Court John & Siss Turley, Courtney Hill Bridget, Jimmy & Eddie McLoughlin, First Avenue Kathleen McDermott, Drumgullion Avenue & Joseph McDermott, Belfast Pauline Doyle, Mullachaliann, Newry Bridget Casey, Mournview Park
Sunday 6 March	9.00am	Alicia O'Hare, Hollywood Grove (M.M) Tony Coleman, High Street (M.M) Brian Lawrence, Dublin
	12 noon	
Monday 7 March	10.30am	Andrew Maguire Boyd, Newry & Omeath Michael, Charles & Bridget McGovern, High Street
Saturday 12 March	6.00pm	Molly Maguire, The Manse Frank Manly, Church Street Rose & Joe McManus, Derrylecka Robert, Kathleen & May White & Mary Russell, Church Street
Sunday 13 March	12 noon	Kathleen, Thomas & Carol Fitzpatrick, Rathfriland Road, Michael & Margaret Maguire John, Margaret & Mickey Maguire, North Street Eddie McGivern, Boat Street Seamus Rooney, Church Street
	5.30pm	Samuel Ferris & deceased members of the Ferris, Noade & Mallon Families

St. Mary's Anniversaries

Sunday 6 March	10.30am	Gerry Watson, Carnagh Park (M.M) Noel & Jean McGovern, Ballyholland Road Patsy Gallagher, Carlingford Park Kathleen McAvoy, Sean O'Neill Park & deceased family members. John O'Hare, Ashgrove Road Annie & Lilian Murtagh, Derryleckagh James Fitzpatrick O'Neill & deceased members of McAteer Family, Windmill Road Ann Rice, O'Neill Avenue & Maura & Austin Slevin, Loughview Park Eileen Campbell, St. Mary's Villas Alice Keenan, Bingian Terrace & Kathy Carvill, Warrenpoint Patrick & Catherine White & Mary Davies, O'Neill Avenue & Patsy White, Ashgrove Road
Tuesday 8 March	7.30pm	P J McCann, Temple Hill Road (M.M) David & Rose McManus, Crown Crescent Betty & Billy O'Sullivan, Banbridge Tom & Rose McCann & deceased family members, Armagh Road Tom & Kathleen Reilly & deceased family members, Derrybeg Drive James O'Hanlon, Forrest Hills
Sunday 13 March	10.30am	

St. Brigid's Anniversaries

Saturday 5 March	7.30pm	Tom, Annie & Patsy Gallagher, Main Avenue & deceased family members. Delia Gallagher, Fifth Avenue & Martyrs of 20th & 21st Century Patrick, Rita, Mary & Patrick (Jun) Gillen, Castle Street Brea & Dessie McGennity, Second Avenue, Derrybeg Patrick McCann, Parkhead Crescent Christopher McCann, formerly Newry Pat Rice, Ballinlare Gardens Anne & John Johnston, Emmett Street & Deceased members of the Butterfield & Johnston Families
Friday 11 March	7.30pm	John Ryan, Killeavy Road
Saturday 13 March	7.30pm	John & Margaret Craven, Raymond Kelly Park Pat Lawlor & Kay McWade, Dublin Arthur & Eileen Murphy, Church Street

St. Catherine's Anniversaries

Saturday 5 March	7.30pm	Michael Duffy Pat & Kathleen McKenna Daniel & Vera Doran
Sunday 6 March	9.30am	Patricia Torley
	12.30pm	Benefactors of the Church & Priory
Monday 7 March	7.30pm	Thomas Maguire
Wednesday 9 March	7.30pm	Gabriel Curran (M.M) Cliff Davidson Margaret McShane
Thursday 10 March	7.30am	Walter McGee
Friday 11 March	11.00am	Phillip Magee Joe & Bridie Kavanagh, Joseph & Annie Kavanagh & deceased family members
	11.00am	Marie McClorey Rosaleen McCann Gerry Morgan
Saturday 12 March	11.00am	Mary & Michael Mallon Maureen & Dominic Donnelly
	7.30pm	Rebecca Cregan Willie Cregan Jim & Eleanor Flynn Colm Quinn Michael & Agnes Watters & deceased family members Rose McCartan & Margaret Butler
Sunday 13 March	11.00am	John Fox Kevin Crummy
	12.30pm	Benefactors of the Church & Priory Rose Hogan

Eucharistic Holy Hour in honour of Jesus, Divine Mercy and Our Lady in St. Catherine's Church on Sunday 6th March at 3.00pm. Come spend an hour with the Eucharistic Lord.

Divine Mercy Stations of the Cross 2022 at the Calvary, Omeath each Friday in Lent except for Good Friday. Assemble at 2.55pm at the Divine Mercy Image.

Pro-Life Information Meeting: Precious Life will hold a "Restore Personhood" Pre-election Campaign Meeting on Thursday 10th March in The City Hotel Armagh at 7.30pm. All welcome. For more information contact Precious Life on 07592280522 or email restore.personhood@gmail.com

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Programme of Plays

Monday 21st March
Rosemary Players: Tartuffe (a new adaptation) by Ranjit Bolt.

Tuesday 22nd March
Newpoint Players: "Mary K." by Séan Treanor.

Wednesday 23rd March
Bart Players: The Cemetery Club by Brian Menchell

Thursday 24th March
Theatre 3 Newtownabbey: The Anastasia File by Royce Ryton

Friday 25th March
Bunclody/ Kilmysall: The Good Father by Christian O'Reilly

Saturday 26th March
Prosperous Dramatic Society: God of Carnage by Yazmina Reza

Season Tickets: £40 Student - £20
Nightly: £9/ £8 concession

Season Ticket Booking:
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