

Parish of Bangor, Member of Ards Pastoral Community

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Third Sunday of Easter, Year C – 11th May 2025

Your prayers are requested for

Recently Deceased:

JIM MCGLINCHEY
ANN MARGARET MILLIGAN

Anniversaries:

VERA MAGENNIS
GERALD & THOMAS SCOLLAN
ROSALEEN & HUGH O'NEILL
JOHN COYLE
MAUREEN CRAIG
CATHERINE BROWN
MARY DELARGY
SARAH MCGARRY
JEAN O'KANE
MARGARET SULLIVAN
AOIFE ROBINSON
MAURA MCPADDEN
FRANK KILLEN
MARY & CHARLIE HERON

ST COMGALL'S CHURCH DONAGHADEE

Sunday 11th May @ 9am

ST COMGALL'S CHURCH BRUNSWICK ROAD

Saturday 10th May @ 6.30pm and
Sunday 11th May @ 10am and 12noon

MASS TIMES NEXT WEEK:

DAILY MASS Monday 12th – Friday 16th May @ 9.30am

BAPTISM REGISTRATION

Please register online **SIDE BAR** under
'Baptism Registration'

Baptisms are celebrated on Sundays @ 1.15pm

Trócaire

Our coffee morning is on **Sunday 18th May** after both masses. Big ballot prizes. Thank you for all your continued support.



**ST COMGALL'S
PARISH CENTRE**

Cuppa and Connect

Sunday 11th May - after 10am mass

Sunday 18th May No Cuppa & Connect - Trocaire coffee morning

Sunday 25th May - after 10am mass

Sunday 01st June - after 12md mass

Sunday 08th June - after 10am mass

Sunday 15th June - after 12md mass

Sunday 22nd June Cuppa & Connect Family BBQ after 12 mass

All Parish P7 children keep an eye out - fun event upcoming to celebrate end of Primary! More details to follow 🌟

LOUGH DERG
2025 PILGRIMAGE SEASON
SANCTUARY OF SAINT PATRICK



DOWN AND CONNOR DIOCESAN
Three Day Pilgrimage

**LED BY BISHOP ALAN MC GUCKIAN SJ
& JIM DEEDS**

Friday 4th – Sunday 6th July 2025

Cost: £100

(Includes Island Admission & Transport)

For further information and bookings contact:

NAME: Claire

Tel: 02890690920 or Email: pathwaystothefuture@downandconnor.org



PARISH CENTRE – PARISH GROUPS 2025

MONDAYS	TUESDAYS	WEDNESDAYS	THURSDAYS	FRIDAYS
BRIDGE CLUB at 7.15pm until 9.45pm [Minor Hall] LECTIO DIVINA GROUP 7.30pm – 8.30pm [St Dymphna's Room] BADMINTON NOW WEEKLY at 8 to 9pm [Main Hall]	FRIENDSHIP CLUB at 10.30am [Minor Hall] IRISH DANCING CLASSES at 6.00pm to 8.30pm [Main Hall] SVP at 7.30pm to 9.30pm [St Dymphna's Room]	PARENTS & TODDLERS 10am [Main/Minor Hall] MEDITATION GROUP at 12pm to 1.30pm [St Dymphna's Room] MENCAP Every fortnight at 6.00pm [Main/Minor Hall] FOLK GROUP AT 7pm [St Dymphna's Room] SENIOR CHOIR At 7.30pm [St Dymphna's Room]	St Comgall's Guide Unit (Girls aged 6-18) at 6.15pm to 8pm [Main/Minor Hall] IRISH LANGUAGE CLASS At 7pm to 8pm [St Dymphna's Room] CEILI DANCING at 8.15pm to 9.30pm [Minor Hall]	Ju-Jitsu Club (Juniors 5-15yrs) 6-7pm [Main Hall] Discussion Group At 7.30pm – 9pm [St. Dymphna's Room] Monthly

Children's Liturgy

We are delighted and very excited to announce that Children's Liturgy group is commencing as soon as possible. This will be held weekly at **10am mass**. Strictly only registered children can attend and only from P3-P6. Children's Liturgy will be held in the Youth Club. Registration is now at full capacity.

Summer Singing Course 7-11 July 2025

5-day singing course for young people who want to improve their singing voice and musical skills. For young people aged 8-18
Venue: St Paul's Parish Centre, Belfast. End of week showcase: St Peter's Cathedral Optional extra sessions for singers studying GCSE and A Level Music. £75 for 5-day course. Book by 30th April for discount. Scholarships available on request. For more information see NEWS section of parish website.

Congratulations to all the children who made their First Holy Communion this week. May the joy of this holy occasion guide you throughout your life.

Pilgrimage to Rome & Assisi – Last Places Remaining!

Join the Alumni & Friends of the Catholic Chaplaincy at Queen's for a Jubilee Year of Hope pilgrimage to **Rome and Assisi**, from **25 August to 1 September 2025**. Enjoy 4★ hotel accommodation, private coach travel, guided visits to key religious and cultural sites, and selected meals—**this promises to be the trip of a lifetime**. Additions to the itinerary include a visit to Pope Francis' tomb in the Basilica of St Mary Major, and a General Audience with our newly elected Pope. With just **four double/twin rooms** left (and a waiting list for singles), don't miss this unforgettable opportunity. **Whether you're a graduate, a parent, or simply a friend—we consider you part of the Chaplaincy family**. For more information, contact **Shannon Campbell** at: catholicchaplaincy@qub.ac.uk

Healing Service

There will be a Healing Service in St Matthew's Church, Short Strand, East Belfast on Thursday May 15th at 7pm. Focussing on the healing power of the Rosary followed by a Eucharistic healing blessing and benediction.

The service will be led by Fr Peter Carlin, PP, and Music Ministry will be provided by Fionnuala O'Neill and family.

Assisted suicide Bill - less than 2 weeks left!

Report Stage of the assisted suicide Bill is 16 May. It is vital that you contact your MP urgently about this issue.

Please take action now and visit www.righttolife.org.uk/ASVote to email your MP - it takes just 30 seconds! If you have the time, please also visit your MP - you can arrange a meeting now by visiting

www.righttolife.org.uk/meetyourMP

The loss of a partner through death, separation or divorce is devastating. Beginning Experience is offering a programme of bereavement support in St Bride's Hall, Derryvolgie Ave., Belfast on three Saturdays (26th April, 24th May and 21st June)

Booking essential. To find out more, contact Pauline [07519289185](tel:07519289185) or Marie [07896119669](tel:07896119669) or email belfastbe@yahoo.com

If you require any further information please contact any of the above numbers and we will be happy to help.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL HELPLINES

Bangor Conference 07703679384

(covering Bangor West, Clondeboy/Newtownards Road area, Kilcooley, Helens Bay and Crawfordsburn) will continue to use the existing number -.

Ballyholme/Donaghadee Conference 07703679389. (covering Bangor city centre, Bangor East/Ballyholme, Balloo/Bloomfield Road area, Conlig/Breezmount, Groomsport, Donaghadee and Millisle)

Towards Peace is an independent organization that provides a spiritual support and professional service for survivors of physical, emotional, sexual and spiritual abuse who suffered in an institutional, clerical or religious setting in Ireland. Funded by the Irish Catholic Bishops' Conference and the Association of Missionary and Religious in Ireland, the vision of Towards Peace is to provide a safe supportive space for people and their families, whose spiritual life has been damaged by abuse. Through spiritual accompaniment with a qualified spiritual director, Towards Peace endeavours to accompany people as they seek their own experience of spiritual peace, one step at a time. Towards Peace is also a response to the continually growing understanding of the spiritual impact of the trauma of abuse and seeks to raise awareness about this within the Church. The Towards Peace Spiritual Support Service is free of charge and for more please see <https://towardspeace.ie/>

ACCORD NI Catholic Marriage Care Service is currently recruiting people to train as marriage preparation programme facilitators.

- Successful applicants will receive professional training and will be part of a team delivering marriage preparation programmes locally.

www.accordni.com

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ADOPTIVE PARENTS NEEDED URGENTLY



Family Care Adoption Services is an Adoption Agency, and a core part of our work is to place children with new adoptive families. We provide adoption services throughout all Northern Ireland and work with Health and Social Care Trusts to place single children and sibling groups for adoption.

These children are aged from babyhood to approximately 5 years old.

There are currently more children waiting to be adopted in Northern Ireland than families approved to adopt and there is an urgent need for new families to come forward.

All sorts of people from all walks of life can be considered for adoption.

So, wherever you live in Northern Ireland if you think you could offer a child/ren a new life in a family of their own and would like an informal chat to discuss this and to find out more about adoption,

CONTACT US!

Email: email@familycareadoption.org

Phone: 02890 691133

Website: www.familycareadoption.com

We are waiting to hear from you!
