

Parish of Bangor, Member of Ards Pastoral Community

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SUNDAY MASS TIMES This weekend:

Bangor: (PARISH CENTRE)

Vigil 6.30pm;
Sun 11.00am

Donaghadee:

Sun 9.30am.

Ballyholme:

Sun 12.30pm.

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES:

MOST HOLY REDEEMER

at 9.30am Monday-Friday

Confessions:

Bangor: Sat 5.30 pm and
after all Masses.

Weekend Mass in the Pastoral Communities

Holywood: Vigil 6.30pm;
Sun 10am & 12noon.

Newtownards:

Vigil 6.30pm; Sun 11.30am.
Comber: Sun 10.00am.

Baptisms: 1st and 3rd

Sunday of the Month at
2pm. Register online at
www.bangorparish.com
under

Sacramental Preparation.

2 month's notice required.

PERPETUAL EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

**Every Monday
10.00am to 9.30pm**

Venue: **Most Holy
Redeemer Church,**
Ballyholme.

Marian Prayer Group

Meet every Thursday
evening for 1 hour. 6.30-
7.30pm. Meditation on the
Rosary for the unborn,
Divine Mercy Chaplet.

Venue: **Most Holy
Redeemer Church,**
Ballyholme.

We are looking for new
volunteers to help with
the **WELCOME
MINISTRY** at the
**Saturday vigil
6.30pm Mass in
Bangor.** If you could
please leave your contact
details with the Parish
Office by email.

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ 13 October 2019

ST COMGALL'S, BANGOR TROCAIRE GROUP will be
having a **BALLOT** this weekend –

12/13 October after the **vigil** and **11am Mass.**

It will be held in the Cafeteria (Minor Room).

Tea & Coffee will be served at the 11am Mass.



Your prayers are requested for:

Recently Deceased: Joan Gilmore-Hillis,
Frances Doherty, Irene Kennedy.

Anniversaries:

Mary McNally, Rosalind McWilliams, Michael McWilliams,
Liam McDonnell, Patrick McDonagh, Kathleen McDonagh,
Terence Mulligan, Lily Prior, Mary Sweeney, Josephine
Mooney, Raymond Mooney, Mary McArdle, Mick McArdle,
Kathleen Ward, Michael Maguire, Joe Jackson, Rosaleen
McCormack, Brian Cullen, Colum McGrattan.

SUNDAY 13TH OCTOBER – (2.30pm-3.15pm)
COASTAL ROSARY FOR LIFE, FAITH AND LOVE. Join in
with thousands of people all around Ireland, as we gather on
our coasts, near rivers, in our churches, at grottos etc. to pray
the Rosary for Life, Faith and Love on *Sunday October 13th* at
2.30pm. We will join in with many countries around the world.

We will meet beyond Pickie Park at the first beach cove
gathering from 2pm onwards to say the Rosary and the prayers
of Consecration to the Sacred Heart and the Immaculate Heart
of Mary. St Comgall's Marian Prayer Group will co-ordinate this
event. All welcome please bring your families and friends.

www.coastalrosaryireland.ie

*Let's decide to offer reparation and be a part of the movement
of love & life! The Irish Bishops have asked that we include the
prayercard for the 'Choose Life Prayer' Card.*

Prayer Card can be found on the parish website.

*Please also support Baroness Nuala O'Loan's petition. Go to
website: www.Change.org Search under Nuala O'Loan's name
to get the link to sign her petition.*

More information on our website under 'NEWS'.

Seeing Your Life Through the Lens of the Gospel of Saint Luke 17:11-19

1. The cure of the lepers is not just a physical cure, it also brought the people healed back from exclusion into the community. Perhaps you have experienced the movement from exclusion to inclusion. What was it like for you to be accepted once again when you had felt excluded?
2. Who were the 'Jesus people' for you who brought about this change? For whom, and how, have you been able to do this? Perhaps by healing a rift with a friend, or by listening to the opinion of someone you had dismissed out of hand, or by opening the door to another in some other way?
3. Some people work hard at breaking down barriers in society, seeking inclusion for those who find themselves labelled as lepers. Where have you seen this happening? Who has been doing this kind of work? Where is the good news in such action?
4. When we do good for another, we may not do it for the thanks we hope to get, yet it can hurt when no gratitude is shown. How have you experienced the positive effects of thanks given and received?

John Byrne OSA, E: jbpbbyrneosa@gmail.com

**St Vincent de Paul
Helpline 077 0367 9384**

**Bethany
Bereavement
Support Group**
we are here to support
and listen. Confidential.
075 1085 2157

WELCOME ROTA DURING OCTOBER

6. 30 pm Mass –
Gerry & Maura Fox
11.00 am Mass –
Marian Murray &
Charlie Mc Mullan.

**Storehouse North
Down (food bank)**
are now operating from
our new premises at
12 Balloo Avenue
Bangor, BT19 7QT.
Our hours will be the
same:
MONDAY AND
THURSDAY 2PM - 4 PM.

**Extra notices on the
website page!
3 page Bulletin.**

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION CLASSES

1st Penance & Holy Communion

Venue: St Dymphna's Room.

- **1st Penance & Holy Communion Classes** – Started on Sunday 6th October for P4 children attending other primary schools from the Bangor area – after 11am Mass in St Dymphna's Room, first room on the right as you enter the Parish Centre, registration required.

CONFIRMATION CLASSES: The first meeting will be on Sunday 27th October after Mass in the St Columbanus Room, 2nd Floor of the Parish Centre.

Please register your interest by contacting the parish office during office hours or by email. bangor@downandconnor.org

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY! AND OTHER NOTICES....

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will be having a **BALLOT** next weekend
19/20 October after the **12.30pm Mass**
in Most Holy Redeemer Church, Ballyholme.

ARDS CCE TRADITIONAL MUSIC CLASSES continue on Sat. mornings in St Columbanus College Bangor, for all traditional instruments and all Levels including total beginners. More info Niall McClean 07960072218.

Both Lives Matter invite you to Stand With Us at our cross-community, inter-generational peaceful gathering to oppose Westminster's extreme abortion regime which is set to come into effect here on 22nd October.

Date: Sunday 13th October 2019

Time 3:30pm

Location: FALLS PARK, Falls Road, Belfast

Follow @bothlivesmatter on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram. Visit www.bothlivesmatter.org for more information on the campaign.

#TakeMyHandNotMyLife

(Please do not bring any flags, banners, posters, leaflets or loudspeakers. Both Lives Matter will have one banner which will unite all participants.)

SATURDAY 19TH OCTOBER

STORMONT ROSARY FOR LIFE - Please join us for a special Rosary Vigil for Life at Parliament Buildings, Stormont, (meeting at main gate entrance on Upper Newtownards Road) at 2.30pm on Saturday 19th October. For more information contact **Rosary Crusade for Ireland** on **028 9027 8484** or info@preciouslife.com

SATURDAY 19TH OCTOBER

'The Call to Sainthood' Catholic Young Adult Conference, QUB Catholic Chaplaincy, Elmwood Ave, Belfast, BT9 6AY. Registration 9am. Starts 10am to 5.30pm. Testimonies, Confession, Holy Mass & Benediction.
Contact: 07470 459 008.

MONTH OF MISSION

Sunday 20 October – 2.30pm Mission Sunday Mass - Together We Are Mission – St Patrick's Church, Chapel Hill, Lisburn.

SATURDAY 19TH OCTOBER

A School of Prayer from 10am - 4pm at Clonard Monastery, Belfast. Led by Fodhla, Marie and Johanna, three forms of prayer will be practised: imaginative Gospel contemplation, praying with icons, and a form of Biblical storytelling called Godly play. Register for a place in person at Clonard or by phoning Clonard reception on 02890 445950. To allow us to offer this day free of charge, we ask everyone to bring some food that can be shared with everyone at lunch.

SATURDAY 19TH OCTOBER

BAPTISED AND SENT A Conference will be held in St Mary's University College, Falls Rd, Belfast. [9.30-4.30]. As well as celebrating the richness of the Irish missionary tradition the Conference will also begin a conversation seeking to harvest the missionary energy of the past and promote a renewed sense of mission at home. Cost - Voluntary donation on the day. To obtain further information or reserve a place, please contact; Living Church 028 9069 0920 or email missions@downandconnor.org livingchurch@downandconnor.org

Rachel's Vineyard retreats are healing opportunities for anyone struggling with the spiritual and emotional pain of an abortion. The weekend expresses the love, mercy, compassion and forgiveness of God. It offers peace and the transformation of past pain to a hope-filled future. For information call Marian in complete confidence on 07814 748 744 or e mail marianrvni@yahoo.co.uk and check us out on Facebook.

SAVE THE DATE!!! THURSDAY 14TH NOVEMBER

DONAGHADEE LADIES, you are invited to.... Ladies Hospitality Day, Thursday 14 November @ 2.30pm. Donaghadee Church of Ireland. Parish Halls - Sanctuary Room. Afternoon Tea & Fellowship. For catering purposes, please let Helen Murdie know by Sunday 3rd November if you would like to attend.
HELEN : 028 9188 3452

Saint Vincent de Paul Society appreciate the generosity of the parishioners in Bangor, however due to the ongoing reorganisation of our storage facility, St Vincent de Paul cannot currently accept donations of clothes, household or furniture items.

Extra Notices! For your information!

SUNDAY 3RD NOVEMBER

Service Of Remembrance: for parents and families who have been bereaved through pregnancy loss or the death of a baby, child or young person in Daisy Hill Hospital or the wider community, will take place in Newry Town Hall at 3pm.

FRIDAY 8TH NOVEMBER

Fundraising Concert in aid of Killanny Church Restoration with **Fr Ray Kelly** and local supporting acts at 8pm Riverbank Killanny Tickets €20 available at Riverbank Killanny, Gartland's Shop Killanny, Kegans News agents Carrickmacross, Walshe's News agents Carrickmacross

FRIDAY 15TH – SUNDAY 17TH NOVEMBER

The Joy of Love in Marriage - A Marriage Enrichment Weekend offers married couples (of all ages) private time to rekindle the joy of their love. The next Weekend (residential) will be at The Lake Hotel Killarney. For info. and to book, visit www.marriageencounter.ie or call 07702-812321 or +353 87 784 0408.

Family Care Adoption Services (1969 – 2019),

Celebrating 50 years of adoption. Family Care Adoption Services is presently seeking adoptive families for babies, young children aged 2 years and older; and brothers and sisters. To find out more information please contact us at: **Family Care Adoption Services: Telephone:** 028 71 368592 or 028 90 691133. Monday to Friday: 9am to 5pm. **Email:** anne.ohagan@familycaresociety.org **Website:** www.familycaresociety.co.uk

Special Belfast Christmas Pilgrimage to the Holy

Land €1,795 Taking in Bethlehem, Jerusalem Mount Tabor, Cana, Nazareth, Jericho, River Jordan, Dead Sea and Sea of Galilee. Contact James Treacy 00353860572216 ex Dublin

Living Youth/Habitat for Humanity Malawi Team

Living Youth are inviting all young people (18+) to sign up to be part of the Living Youth Habitat for Humanity partnership team and travel to Malawi in August 2020. Habitat strives to raise awareness about the need for decent housing and water sanitation in some of the poorest countries in the world. This opportunity will enable you to raise vital funds to help build homes in Lilongwe, Malawi for some of the families in need. *"The trip was one of the best experiences of my life. Seeing the happiness, hope and joy the partnership was bringing to homeowners was incredible"* Previous Team Member.

Dates: 10 August - 22 August 2020 (dates are to be finalised & are subject to flights)

Costs: Personal Donation £500; Personal Fundraising Target £1800.

For further information, please contact: info@livingyouthni.org or call the office on 028 90 232 432. To register, please go to the following website and select Living Youth from the drop-down list: <https://www.habitatni.co.uk/gvapplication>

Closing Date for Applications: Friday 15th November 2019.

PATHWAYS

- Adult Faith Development Programme at Drumalis - **Enrol now for 2019-2021 intake.** Pathways is a broad-based adult faith development course which explores spirituality, theology and prayer. Now in its fourteenth year, Pathways is geared towards those who want to reflect about life, faith and relationships with God and others. The course takes place in the beautiful surroundings of Drumalis in Larne. No academic qualifications are necessary and there is no coursework attached.

This two-year programme supported by the Diocese of Down and Connor runs from **October to June** each year and will be held on nine Saturdays from 10:00 am - 4:30 pm. For further information and booking form, please contact Drumalis – 028 2827 2196/2827 6455 (during office hours, Mon-Fri, 9 am – 5 pm), email maura@drumalis.co.uk or see the Drumalis website: <http://www.drumalis.co.uk>

St Vincent De Paul: Clare Lodge, Newcastle

Why spend Christmas or New Year alone when you can be among friends and have company.

- Christmas breaks from 24th December – 27th Dec
- New Year 30th December – 2nd January

(Accommodation & full board meals) - (single room occupancy £175.00) (Sharing room £145.00)

Alternatively, if you just wish to spend the day having Christmas Dinner and Evening Tea or New Year's Dinner & Evening Tea in the company of others for the cost £20.00 (numbers for day visit limited to 20 people) All bookings to be made in advance. For further information and any queries, please contact Clare Lodge Reception on 028 4372 2849 or email clare.lodge@svpni.co.uk (All special dietary meals catered for via prior arrangement)