

Parish of Bangor, Member of Ards Pastoral Community

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PARISH NEWSLETTER

30th Sunday, Year A – 29th October 2023

Your prayers are requested for

Recently Deceased:

Anniversaries:

Peter McQuade Charles O'Hara
Jack O'Driscoll Mona Mulligan
Charlotte Hutchinson
Bernadette McAnulty
Thomas Finnegan Stephen Lennon
Catherine, Jim & James Brown
Peg McVeigh Teresa Burke
Marie – Clare & Michelle Shields
Denis Gray Edward Smith
Teresa Keaveney
Elizabeth K Savage
Danielle Cummings
Michael McMullan

ST COMGALL'S CHURCH, DONAGHADEE

Sunday 29th October 2023 @ 9.00am

ST COMGALL'S CHURCH BRUNSWICK ROAD

Saturday 28th October @ 6.30pm and
Sunday 29th October @ 10am & 12noon

MASS TIMES FOR:

DAILY MASS NEXT WEEK 30th Oct – 3rd Nov 2023

Morning Mass: Mon - Fri @9.30am

All Saints Day 1st Nov– 9.30am, 1pm and 7pm

All Souls Day 2nd Nov– 9.30am, 1pm and 7pm

BAPTISM REGISTRATION

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

November Dead List

In the month of November, we remember all our dead. You are invited to include the names of all those deceased friends and relatives whom you wish to have remembered in all the Masses offered in November for all those on the dead lists by Canon Gunn and Canon Whyte.

Envelopes can be found at the back of the Church. Completed lists should be placed in the November Dead box in front of the altar. They will then be opened, and the lists placed on the altar for the month of November.

Bethany Prayer Service

The Parish Bethany Team will hold their special evening Prayer Service for all our deceased family members and friends.

**Sunday 12th
November 2023 at
5pm.**

Confirmation preparation classes for children not attending the parish schools.

The above classes will begin in the parish centre on **Sunday 14th January 2024 at 10:30am** for preparation of the sacrament.

Parents are asked to contact the parish office with their details.

The classes are open to children currently in P7 and older and a parent/guardian is requested to attend with their child. The closing date for applications is **Tuesday 12 December 2023** (please note there will be limited numbers).

Monastic Experience Weekend

A weekend for those considering a calling to live monastic life with the Cistercian monks of Our Lady of Bethlehem Abbey, Portglenone



Friday 3rd to Sunday 6th November

For further information, contact Fr Aelred oco
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Phone: +44 (0)28 258 21211



@abbeyfamily

When St. Anne's Primary school closes on 31st October, responsibility for the building will revert to St. MacNissi's Educational Trust as Trustee of the School. The Education Authority and Trust will ensure that the building is secure. Under School Building Regulations, the Department of Education is entitled to recover grants paid towards the development of the school estate, e.g additional accommodation and significant upgrades to facilities. To meet this liability, the Trust may need to dispose of the site. As is required by charity legislation, any surplus generated by the disposal is ringfenced for supporting Catholic education in the diocese.

PARISH CENTRE – PARISH GROUPS 2023

MONDAYS	TUESDAYS	WEDNESDAYS	THURSDAYS	FRIDAYS
BRIDGE CLUB at 7.15 until 9.45pm LECTIO DIVINA GROUP 7.30pm – 8.30pm [St Dymphna’s Room]	FRIENDSHIP CLUB at 10.00am IRISH DANCING CLASSES at 6.00pm SENIOR CHOIR Starting 11 th October at 7.30pm	MENCAP Every fortnight at 6.00pm BADMINTON Every fortnight at 8.00pm	St Comgall’s Guide Unit (Girls aged 6-18) at 6.30pm IRISH CLASS & CEILI DANCING at 7.00pm	St Comgall’s Ju-Jitsu Club (Juniors 5-15yrs) 6-7pm (Seniors 16+yrs) 7-8pm

BOOKING OF PARISH CENTRE: Contact Thomas **only** on 07305 746 263 or Email: mcmullanthomas481@gmail.com

If you have a parish group and wish to advertise the times of starting or day in this Parish Newsletter please contact the parish office by email on: bangor@downandconnor.org

[Marriage Enrichment Weekend, 10 – 12 November 2023, Co. Kildare:](http://www.marriageencounter.ie/marriage-encounter-weekend) an opportunity to enliven communication and romance in your marriage! Visit: www.marriageencounter.ie/marriage-encounter-weekend



Senior Citizens’ Christmas Lunch

The Bangor Conference of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul cordially invites senior citizens of the parish to a Christmas Lunch on Sunday 3rd December 2023 in the Parish Centre at 1.00 p.m. Lunch will be free of charge and lifts will be organised to and from the Parish Centre for those who are unable to provide their own transport.

If you wish to attend please ring the Bangor SVP Helpline number 07703679384 before Tuesday 21st November at the latest and leave your name, address and phone number. Please state if you require a lift.

Note to Drivers

The Bangor Conference of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul cordially invites senior citizens of the parish to a Christmas Lunch on Sunday 3rd December 2023 in the Parish Centre at 1.00 p.m.

If you are able to assist us by providing transport to and from the Parish Centre for those attending the lunch, please ring the Bangor SVP Helpline number 07703679384 before Tuesday 21st November and leave your name and phone number. We will contact you to make arrangements.

St. Comgall’s Bethany Bereavement Support Group

The aim of the Bethany Group is to provide support to the bereaved. The Bethany Group may be contacted on the following number **07732 513 400**



The women in Hydebank along with Sr Onnah will be knitting hats and scarves for the homeless community in the run up to Christmas. If any of our parishioners have spares balls of wool, which could be donated to them, to help with this very worthwhile project please leave the wool with Emma in the Parish office between 10am -1pm Monday to Friday. Thank you.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL HELPLINES

Bangor Conference 07703679384

(covering Bangor West, Clondeboye/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)

OTHER NOTICES:



8th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A – 26th February 2023

Lord Jesus, you have said, 'Ask and you shall receive, seek and you shall find, knock and it shall be opened unto you.' I come to you in faith and trust, in love and hope. Let me know your closeness to me and your care for me and for all who are dear to me.

My intention: Hear my prayer (*mention intention*); grant what I ask, and may I always trust that in all that happens in life, you will be close to me as my friend, guide and saviour. And so, Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, I place all my trust in you.

Penitential Act: I confess to the almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do, through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

PRAYERS AT HOLY COMMUNION

Spiritual Holy Communion Prayer

My Jesus, I believe that you are present
in the most Blessed Sacrament.
I love you above all things and
I desire to receive you into my soul.
Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart.
I embrace you as if you have already come,
and unite myself wholly to you.
Never permit me to be separated from you.
Amen.
composed by Saint Alphonsus Liguori

ANIMA CHRISTI

Prayer to the Most Holy Redeemer

Soul of Christ, sanctify me.
Body of Christ, save me.
Blood of Christ, embolden me.
Water from the side of Christ, wash me.
Passion of Christ, strengthen me.
O good Jesus, hear me.
Within your wounds hide me.
Never permit me to be separated from you.
From the evil enemy defend me.
At the hour of my death call me
and bid me to come to you,
that with your Saints I may praise you
for age upon age. Amen

Prayer Online: Come and join us at... www.soulparemission.com Who are we? We are a new interactive prayer website created by Jacinta Crockford DipTH, Spiritual Director living in Down and Connor. What's on offer? A variety of PDF meditations on Scripture, Mother Teresa, Ignatius Spirituality to name but a few. Lots of content to Dive into! There you will find - Podcasts on Faith, Friendship & Knowledge; Rosaries, Prayers and Marian Consecration, Videos of Reflective Prayers during Adoration. Come and join us and be part of the local prayer movement online!

CALENDAR OF SAINTS DAYS

October/November 2023

Saturday 07 October Our Lady of the Rosary	Wednesday 01 November All Saints
Monday 16 October St Gall	Thursday 02 November All Souls
Sunday 22 October Mission Sunday	Friday 03 November St Malachy
	Sunday 05 November Prisoners Sunday
	Sunday 19 November World Day of the Poor
	Tuesday 21 November The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
	Thursday 23 November St Columbanus