

Parish of Bangor, Member of Ards Pastoral Community

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SUNDAY MASS TIMES This weekend:

Bangor:

Vigil 6.30pm;
Sun 10.30am & 12.30pm

Donaghadee:

Sun 9.30am.

Ballyholme:

Sun 11am.

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## Weekday Mass Times:

### **Bangor:**

Wednesday - Friday  
9.30am.

### **Ballyholme:**

Mon & Fri 9am.

## Confessions:

**Bangor:** Sat 5.30 pm.

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## NO MASS

on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> &  
Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> May as  
Fr Gunn will be  
attending the  
Diocesan Conference  
& Fr Whyte is  
unavailable.

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## Weekend Mass in the Pastoral Communities

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

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Newtownards:

Vigil 6.30pm; Sun 11.30am.

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**Comber:** Sun 10.00am.

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**Baptisms: 1st and 3rd**  
Sunday of the Month at  
2pm. Register online at  
[www.bangorparish.com](http://www.bangorparish.com)  
under

**Sacramental Preparation.**  
2 month's notice required.

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## PERPETUAL EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

St Comgall's Church,  
Bangor. **Every** Monday  
10.30am to 9.30pm

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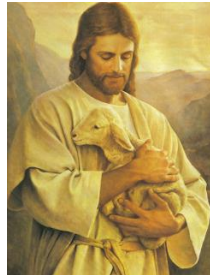
## Marian Prayer Group

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

# Fourth Sunday of Easter - 12 May 2019

## DIOCESAN VOCATIONS PRAYER

Good Shepherd Sunday



God, our Father,  
at the very beginning  
of your Church your Son Jesus  
chose twelve apostles to  
continue the work he had begun.  
By the power of your Holy Spirit,  
they continued to bring the  
Good News of your love to our world.  
Send that same Holy Spirit into the  
hearts of those you are calling to serve as priests for  
your people in our diocese. Fill them with your gifts of  
wisdom, understanding, piety and knowledge as they  
discern your will. Give them the gifts of right judgement  
and courage in following their call.  
Through the outpouring of your  
grace may many come to the joy of knowing and  
responding to the invitation of  
Jesus to 'Come, Follow Me!'

## Personal Vocations Prayer

Lord, make me a better person, more considerate  
towards others, more honest with myself, more faithful to  
you. Make me generous enough to want to do your will,  
whatever it may be. Help me find my true vocation in life  
and grant that through it, I may find happiness myself  
and bring happiness to others. Amen.

## Seeing Your Life Through the Lens of the Gospel of John 10:27-30

1. Jesus tells us that we can rely on his relationship with us.  
Think of the relationships you have in which you feel safe and  
secure because there is mutual understanding and the  
relationship has stood the test of time.
2. Jesus says that the disciple is one who listens. What is your  
experience of listening to the word of God in the Scriptures?  
To what other voices have you listened, and in that way found  
guidance?
3. The faithful disciple is also one who follows the path of love  
that Jesus preached and practiced. Although it may be difficult  
at times, it is in following Jesus' path that we find life. Where  
have you had the experience of listening,  
responding, loving, and finding life?

*John Byrne OSA, E: [jbpyrneosa@gmail.com](mailto:jbpyrneosa@gmail.com)*

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

**Support for the  
Bereaved** If you need  
to talk to someone  
about your  
bereavement, a  
member of the  
Bethany Bereavement  
Support Group can be  
contact on the  
Confidential mobile  
number:  
075 1085 2157

## WELCOME ROTA DURING MAY

**6.30pm** Mass –  
Doreen Coran &  
Patricia Connery  
**10.30am** Mass –  
Charlie Taylor &  
Elaine Le Mahieu  
**12.30pm** Mass –  
Marian Murray &  
Charlie Mc Mullan

Grateful thanks to  
**St Comgall's Café  
Donaghadee** for  
the recent donation  
of £100 to the  
Refurbishment  
Fund.

**Bangor Parish  
Centre - Trocaire  
and Traidcraft** will  
be having a sale on  
the **18/19 May**. Tea  
and coffee will be  
available after all  
Masses on Sunday.



## Your prayers are requested for:

**Recently Deceased:** John Fox, Marion McAuley,  
Jean Vanier - humanitarian, founder of L'Arche.

**Month's Mind:** Fr Rosendo

**Anniversaries:** Margaret Sullivan, Jean O'Kane, Monica McDermott, Kathleen O'Neill,  
Sarah McGarry, James McQuillan, Maureen Craig, Mary Heron, Charlie Heron,  
Maura McPadden, Gerald Scollan, Thomas Scollan.

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

For inclusion in the Bulletin Notices, notices need to be in to the Parish Office before 1pm on Wednesdays.

All weekend Anniversary Mass intentions for St Comgall's Church, Brunswick Rd, and the Most Holy Redeemer Church, Ballyholme need to be booked through the parish office during office hours.

### St Comgall's Youth Club

Recently the young people of the Youth Club raised **£216.50** for the Marie Curie Centre.

**Beginning Experience** - Are you suffering the pain of loss of a partner? Looking for help and understanding? Beginning Experience (a support group for widowed, separated and divorced people) meets every Wednesday evening from 8pm to 10pm in St Bride's Hall, Derryvolgie Ave., Malone Rd., Belfast. All welcome. For details please contact Phil Tel: 028 90 207645 or Marie Tel: 078 9611 9669.

### SATURDAY 18<sup>TH</sup> MAY

The Natural Family Teachers Association of Ireland are holding a one-day introductory course on Natural Family Planning – Sympto-thermal Double Check Method from 9.30 am – 4.30 pm, in Corrs Corner Hotel, Glengormley, Co. Antrim. For more details contact: [deirdregleeson@medwise.ie](mailto:deirdregleeson@medwise.ie) or [bcunningham29@hotmail.com](mailto:bcunningham29@hotmail.com)

### MONDAY 13<sup>TH</sup> MAY

Monaghan Charismatic Prayer Group **Monthly Healing Mass** in St Louis Convent Chapel Monaghan, at 8pm Celebrant; Fr John Walsh, Rosary at 7.30pm all welcome.

### WEDNESDAY 15<sup>TH</sup> MAY

You are warmly invited to **LOUGH DERG** 'DAY OF FRIENDSHIP AND PRAYER' 10:30am – 3:00pm. For our Day of Friendship and Prayer this year, today's growing challenges around homelessness, migration and social exclusion have led us to invite Fr Peter McVerry as our Guest Speaker who will address the topic: 'The Social Gospel – Meeting Christ on the Margins' *Fr La Flynn, Prior* Admission €25 / £22 Advance booking is essential. Tel from NI 00353 71 9861518 Email. [info@loughderg.org](mailto:info@loughderg.org)

### SUNDAY 19<sup>TH</sup> MAY

**Book Launch- *Deeper into the Mess*** by Fr Brendan McManus, SJ and Jim Deeds is to be launched at **7 pm** in Fitzroy Presbyterian Church, 77 University Street, Belfast. This is the eagerly awaited follow up to the bestselling, *Finding God in the Mess*. In this new collection the authors address tough issues such as fear, anxiety, suicide and anger. As well as offering a meditation or a way of praying, the authors suggest scripture and a simple ritual. Rev Steve Stockman will launch the book with music, readings from the book and discussion with the authors. All are welcome to come along as we find God in the mess together. <https://www.messenger.ie/product/deeper-into-the-mess-praying-through-tough-times/>

### Prayer Petitions Boxes

The Parish of Bangor has number of prayer groups who are constantly praying for the needs of the parish. Please keep your prayer intentions anonymous and do not put any money into the box.  
All the Saints of Bangor, Pray for us.

**NO** Holy Hour in **SAINT COMGALLS DONAGHADEE** in the month of May.

### SUNDAY 19<sup>TH</sup> MAY

ST COMGALL'S CAFÉ DONAGHADEE is hosting a COFFEE MORNING in Aid of the Children's Hospice. **From 10am – 2pm** in the '**SLICE OF HEAVEN**' Donaghadee. Lots of fun for all the family. There will be Street Music to add to the ambiance and for the children - Face-painting and Hair-braiding. Lady Sylvia Herman will be popping in for a cuppa too! so please put this charity event in your diary and come along and enjoy the great craic!

### TUESDAY 21<sup>ST</sup> MAY

LONG TERM FOSTER CARERS REQUIRED - INFORMATION EVENING, **7-9pm Crowne Plaza Hotel**, Shawsbridge, Belfast and South Eastern HSC Trusts are seeking permanent homes for a number of children who are unable to live with their birth parents. Resilience, flexibility and time to care for the demands of a child are key to the role. Foster carers receive financial allowances; in some cases a fee may also be available. You must register to attend by T: 028 9504 0302 or emailing [Mairead.sloan@setrust.hscni.net](mailto:Mairead.sloan@setrust.hscni.net)

### SUNDAY 9<sup>TH</sup> JUNE

The Annual Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock will take place. (Pentecost Sunday) Contact Fr. Vincent Cushnahan. Diocesan Knock Pilgrimage Director E: [cush25@hotmail.com](mailto:cush25@hotmail.com)

### SATURDAY 6<sup>TH</sup> JULY

**SAVE THE DATE.** Pro-life Rally in Dublin, A bus is being organised from Bangor/Hollywood. Contact Claire on 07740 677256. STILL HUMAN, STILL ALIVE, STILL NEED YOUR VOICE! [www.rallyforlife.net](http://www.rallyforlife.net)

### Parish Envelopes 2019-2020.

The new parish envelopes are now available for collection in the following location.

**FOR THE ENTIRE PARISH**  
**St Comgall's Parish Office – Brunswick Rd**

If any parishioner does not have envelopes and would like some please contact the parish office.

Please contact the Parish Office during office hours. If you are unable to call to the office to collect your envelopes if you telephone during office hours it can be arranged for your envelope to be left in the sacristy for you over the weekend Masses.

**Blood Transfusion Service** – Wesley Centenary Methodist Church Hall, Hamilton Rd /Wed 15<sup>th</sup> May 1.30pm-4pm Thurs 16<sup>th</sup> May 2.30pm-4pm. Both days 5.15pm-8pm.

**ACCORD TIME FOR A NEW CHALLENGE?** Are you interested in becoming a Facilitator or Associate Counsellor with ACCORD Catholic Marriage Care Service? Would you like to share your positive married experience with engaged and married couples? For further info contact the N. Ireland Regional Office on 02890 233002 or email [info@accordni.com](mailto:info@accordni.com)