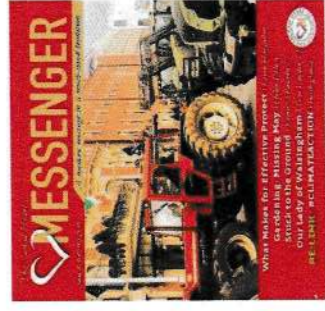


Hospital Chaplaincy in the Southern Trust in These Days
While chaplains are not permitted to do routine hospital visits at the moment, they are still available for emergency or urgent visits. To call a chaplain at any time, just ring the relevant hospital and ask for the chaplain on call. In addition, if you or a family member are in hospital, or indeed if you work in the hospital, and you would like to chat with a chaplain, there is a chaplaincy phone service available daily.

From 10am - 12 noon, call 028-38334444 From 2pm - 4pm, call 028-30835000

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A combination of 'cocooning' and the travel restrictions currently in place all around the country mean that many readers of The Sacred Heart Messenger cannot access their monthly 'little red book'.

Therefore, during this coronavirus crisis we are delighted to make the digital edition of The Messenger available **FREE OF CHARGE** until we return to normal delivery

Please send your email request to:

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and we will send you a link to view The Messenger on your laptop, tablet or mobile phone.

What is Spiritual Communion?

Spiritual Communion is a way to be united with Christ when we are not able to physically receive the Eucharist. St Thomas Aquinas described it as "an ardent desire to receive Jesus in the Holy Sacrament, and a loving embrace as though we had received Him." This was a practice very dear to the heart of St Alphonsus Liguori, founder of the Redemptorist Order. In this time of uncertainty, when we are encouraged to practice "Social Distancing," let's use St Alphonsus' practice to be united in Spirit and in Prayer with one another and with Christ.

How to make a Spiritual Communion:

- Start with the Sign of the Cross.
- Read and reflect on the readings of the day (you can go to <https://www.catholicbishops.ie/readings/>) or follow us livestreamed on www.clonduffparish.com
- Mass times: **9.00am (Monday to Friday) Saturday at 6.00pm and Sunday at 11.00am in St John the Evangelist Church, Ballymaghery**
- Pray an Act of Spiritual Communion, such as this one inspired by St Alphonsus Liguori
My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I long for You in my soul. Since I cannot receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though You have already come, I embrace You and unite myself entirely to You; never permit me to be separated from You. Amen
- Offer a Prayer of Thanksgiving.



Clonduff Parish Newsletter

Sunday 17th May 2020
Sixth Sunday of Easter



Jesus said, 'If you love me you will keep my commandments.
John. 14: 15-21



A Reminder... First Confession, First Holy Communion and Confirmation
First Confession, First Holy Communion and Confirmation across the Diocese remains postponed until a safe time in the future.

At this time **Celebration of Public Masses, Weddings and Baptisms** are suspended.

Restrictions as they stand, still state that regarding **Funerals, immediate Family only** to attend.

Fr C Byrne Tel (028) 40630206 or in emergency 07764941606 or email cbyrne26@icloud.com



PARISH OF CLONDUFF 17th May 2020 SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

(Sunday Readings Cycle A - Weekday Readings Cycle 2)

ANNIVERSARIES: BALLYGORIAN, CABRA & DRUMGATH PARISH	Charlie O'Hagan, Ballymaghery; Brian Brannagan, Ardmore Park & Deceased Brannagan Family, Carcullion; Lily & Gary Murray, Clonduff Road; Patrick, Bridget, Henry & Susan McComiskey, Leode Road; May Lamacroft, Ballygorean; Peter, Isabella, Michael & Brendan McEvoy, Ballyhaughian; Michael & Mary Rose Rafferty, Kennedy Drive; Bridle, Annie & John Murphy & Deceased Family & Susan Byrne, Ballynanny
Sun 17th May 11.00am BALLYMAGHERY:	Vivion & Phylis Fegan, St Patrick's Park; Rev Monsignor Pat McAleenan & Deceased Fegan Family, Rathfriland Road DRUMGATH PARISH: John & Sarah McGeown, Drumgath
Mon 18th May 9.00am	BALLYMAGHERY: Seamus McPolin; Winifred & Charlie McDonald
Tue 19th May 9.00am	BALLYMAGHERY:
Wed 20th May 9.00am	BALLYMAGHERY:
Thur 21st May 9.00am	BALLYMAGHERY: Arthur & Eithna Murphy, Kinghill
Fri 22nd May 9.00am	Felix O'Hare, Goward Road
Sat 23rd May 6.00pm BALLYMAGHERY:	
Sun 24th May 11.00am BALLYMAGHERY:	Willie McGinn, Kilkeel Road

TROCAIRE BOXES

Trocaire Boxes can be handed in to the Parochial House, Castlewellaan Road on Sunday from 11.45am to 12.15pm and Monday from 11.45am to 12.15pm or given into the Spar Supermarket and put in the box provided.

Your continued financial support to Parish life and Parish upkeep is very much appreciated during these anxious and challenging days due to the on-going Coronavirus Pandemic.

Envelopes may be deposited through the **Letter Box at the Parochial House, Castlewellaan Road on Sunday 9am to 12 noon and Monday 9am to 12noon.**
Thanks for your support last week £945.00

PLEASE NOTE In light of the current situation with the Coronavirus, I will not be visiting the sick and housebound, but if someone wishes to have a visit ring my mobile **07764941606**. Thank you for your understanding as we try to keep safe at this difficult time. Fr Charles Byrne

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Diocese of Dromore Safeguarding of Children, young people and vulnerable adults: Dromore Designated Person Patricia Carville 07789917741. A copy of the Dromore Diocese "Safeguarding Policy and Procedures" is available for reference in the Parish Rooms.



Rosary Initiative **Archbishop Eamon Martin** invites and encourages families in our Parishes to pray the Rosary, or even a decade of the Rosary, every day during the month of May.

This year the Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes has been cancelled due to concerns around the Coronavirus. Maybe when we pray the Rosary or even a decade of the Rosary we could remember the sick and all who had hoped to make the Pilgrimage to Lourdes.

We remember too those in our Parishes who are sick, housebound, those in Hospital and Hospice, those feeling lonely and isolated at this time and all who care for them.

DIocese of DROMORE - Dromore Diocesan Lourdes Virtual Ceremonies

12th - 17th May 2020

As our Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes cannot travel in May this year. A virtual programme has been developed to help those who wish to join in prayer through the internet during the Pilgrimage dates.

We welcome all from the Diocese of Dromore and further afield to join us in prayer, seeking God's merciful healing of body and soul through the intercession of Our Lady and St Bernadette. The table below sets out the programme:

Sat 16th May @ 7pm - Sunday Vigil Mass & candlelight Rosary:
<https://www.lurganparish.com/stpauls-webcam/>

Sun 17th May @ 10am - Closing (Sunday) Mass, celebrated by Archbishop Martin:
<https://www.lurganparish.com/stpeters-webcam/>

Other Lourdes activities via the Lourdes website:

Daily at 2pm the Rosary is said at the grotto in English - <https://www.lourdes-france.org/en/tv-lourdes/>
Light a candle in Lourdes - <https://www.lourdes-france.org/en/cierge-en-ligne/>
Send a petition to Lourdes - <https://www.lourdes-france.org/en/intention-priere/>

Birthdays are just Wonderful

Don't count the Candles on the Cake...
See the Light they give...
Count not the Years...
But the Life You Live...

Happy Birthday
to a
Wonderful Priest



Wishing Fr Charlie a Happy Birthday on Thursday 21st

From Clonduff & Drumgath Parishes

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