



Chapel cleaners for Ballymaghery in February 2026 are Maureen Rooney, Maura Quinn, Geraldine Murphy, Patricia Grant, Frances Rooney, Colette McAteer, Elaine McGinn, Laurine Harper and Susie Brannigan.

RECENTLY BAPTISED – We welcome into our faith community **Connor Óg Rea** son of Connor and Eileen and **Sean Leo Donnelly** son of Ciaran and Orlagh.

DISCERNMENT RETREAT FOR DIOCESAN PRIESTHOOD "They left everything at once and followed him" (Lk 5:11)
Thinking about a calling to serve? Join us for an in-person Discernment Retreat designed to help you explore the path to the diocesan priesthood. It's a relaxed space to reflect, ask questions, and connect with others on the same journey. Come as you are and take time to listen to where your heart might be leading! Residential weekend: 6–8 March 2026. Drumalis Retreat Centre, Larne.
For more details contact Fr Brian Fitzpatrick on pp.moyraverty.seago@gmail.com, or search 'discernment retreat' in Larne on eventbrite.co.uk to book a free place online.
Organised by Northern Dioceses' Vocations Directors.

Lourdes Pilgrimage – 27th to 31st July – we welcome young adults 18 to 30 years to join us on Pilgrimage – includes flight, full board and organized pilgrimage – plus opportunities to meet other pilgrims – will be a memorable experience for all – Cost £680 – we have 25 places – to secure your place email youthdirector@dromorediocese.org – need names and £50 deposit before end of February.

40 Hours Adoration. St John's Chapel, Ballymaghery, Hilltown. Beginning at **8.00pm on Friday 27th February** and continuing until **11.00am on Sunday 1st March**, finishing just before the 11.30am Mass.

This will be 40 hours of continuous prayer and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. All parishioners are warmly invited and encouraged to spend some time in prayer during this special period of grace.

Junior Set Dancing on Thursday from 6.30pm to 7.30pm in the GAA Clubrooms.
Adult Set Dancing every Thursday night from 7.30 to 9pm in the Parochial Hall Hilltown Everyone is welcome

BINGO EVERY MONDAY NIGHT AT 9.00PM IN INF HALL

Fr C Byrne Tel (028) 40630306 or 07764941606 or email clonduffparish@dromorediocese.org or cbyrne26@icloud.com

Clonduff Parish Newsletter

Sunday 22nd February 2026
First Sunday of Lent



'You must worship the Lord your God, and serve him alone.'

Matthew 4:1-11

Choir Practice on Monday 7pm. This is to prepare for Holy Week and Easter.

We invite new members, no age restrictions.



Dromore Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes 15th – 20th May 2026: £890.00 inc. transfers from Hilltown to Lourdes and return, full board for 5 days in the Agena or La Solitude Hotels and assistance of JWT Representatives while in Lourdes. Anyone wishing to travel as a pilgrim should contact any member of the local committee as soon as possible or **Joanne on 07845825029/ Sean on 07789757417.** We are able to facilitate staged payments or Gift Vouchers towards the fare. Anyone wishing to travel as an Assisted Pilgrim may do the same or leave their name in the boxes provided in the three Parish Churches. If you are nominating someone for an Assisted Pilgrim position, please check with them first that they are happy for you to do so.

Sat 21st Feb 6.00pm BALLYMAGHERY:	Rosie Marie Grant Peter & Margaret Gilmore, Bann View Bridget Matthews, The Ferns Mary O'Hare, Shanlieve Court
Sun 22nd Feb 9.00am	CABRA:
Sun 22nd Feb 11.30am BALLYMAGHERY:	Tony Lynch, St Patrick's Park Elizabeth (Cissie) Morgan & Deceased Morgan Family, Main St Mary Rose McConville, Newry Road Elizabeth & Patrick Grant, Carcullion Kathleen & Ambrose Walls & Tommy Kennedy Bronagh Murray, Kilkeel Road Hugh & Catherine Murphy, Ballynanny
Mon 23rd Feb 9.00am	BALLYMAGHERY:
Mon 23rd Feb 7.00pm	St Mary's, Rathfriland:
Tues 24th Feb 9.00am	BALLYMAGHERY:
Wed 25th Feb 7.00am	BALLYGORIAN:
Thur 26th Feb 9.00am	BALLYMAGHERY: Eucharistic Prayer Service
Fri 27th Feb 9.30am	St Mary's, Rathfriland:
Fri 27th Feb 7.30pm	CABRA:
Sat 28th Feb 6.00pm BALLYMAGHERY:	Patrick, Annie, Brendan & Kathleen Murray, Ballymaghery Patrick & Kathleen Woods, Rostrevor Road John & Maureen Rooney, Rostrevor Road Cullen Family, Rostrevor Road Rosemund McKibben, Aughlismafin Margaret Gilmore, Killowen Eileen O'Hare, Warrenpoint James, Roseann & Matthew Brannigan, St Patrick's Park Paddy & Susan Lively & Deceased Family, Leitrim Road Patricia Coughlin, Warrenpoint Bridget O'Hagan, Shannon Park Rose Grant, New Line The Downey Family, Reid Hall Rory Woods & Deceased members of the Woods & Kane Families
Sun 1st Mar 9.00am CABRA:	
Sun 1st Mar 11.30am BALLYMAGHERY:	Pat & Anne Hannaway, Carcullion Felix & Mary McGaw, Shannon Park Martin McGaw, Spelga Park Hugh & Dolorus Tinnelly, Rostrevor

PARISH OF CLONDUFF SUNDAY 22ND FEBRUARY 2026

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

(Sunday Readings Cycle A – Weekday Readings Cycle 2)

You can now book your Anniversaries, Baptisms, Weddings or any other enquires by contacting the Parish Office Monday & Thursday 9am – 3pm (028) 30850270 or leaving a message on answering machine or Email: clonduffparish@dromorediocese.org

Baptism Arrangements

First Sunday of the Month Ballymaghery 12.30pm
Third Sunday of the Month Cabra 12.30pm

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Diocese of Dromore Safeguarding of Children, young people and vulnerable adults:

Dromore Designated Person Mr Stephen Sherry 07301246329

Email: safeguardingdirector@dromorediocese.org

A copy of the Dromore Diocese "Safeguarding Policy and Procedures" is available for reference in the Parish Rooms.

BALLYMAGHERY ALTAR SERVERS

Sat 21 st Feb: Eibhlin McConville, Daire Gribben, Aisling Brown, Sarah Brannigan	Sat 28 th Feb: Sarah McAlinden, Olivia Malley, Daniel Doyle, Cora Belle Murray, Charlie McCumiskey
Sun 22 nd Feb: Leah McGarry, Frankie McGinn	Sun 1 st Mar: Aoife Dickson, Meabh Canning

Adoration in Ballygorian on Thursdays 7.30pm – 8.30pm. Adoration will take place on Tuesday evening at **8.00pm** with the Rosary being recited in Ballymaghery. All welcome.

Eucharistic Ministers Ballymaghery

Sat 21 st Feb: 6pm: Mary Murray	Sat 28 th Feb: 6pm: Joe Farrell
Sun 22 nd Feb 11.30am: Marian Brannigan	Sun 1 st Mar: 11.30am: M R Murray

Readers

Sat 21 st Feb: 6pm: Maria Murray	Sat 28 th Feb: 6pm: Setanta McPolin
Sun 22 nd Feb: 11.30am: Diane Maginn	Sun 1 st Mar: 11.30am: Teresa Carr

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Sun 22 nd Feb: 9.00am: Helen McAleavey	Sun 22 nd Feb: 9.00am: Madeleine McAlinden
Sun 1 st Mar: 9.00am: Lisa Gribben	Sun 1 st Mar: 9.00am: Anne McPolin