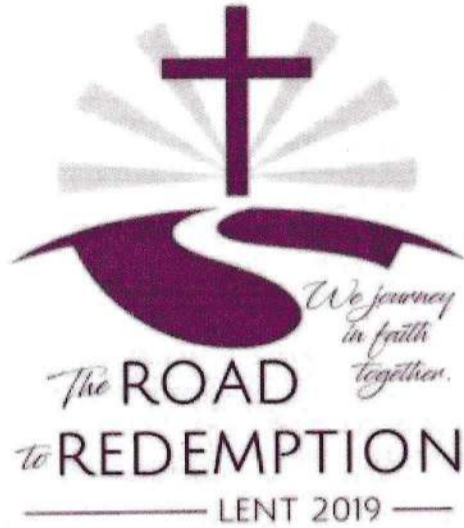


Morning Yoga Exercise Class Starting in Hilltown. Six week beginners class with ItaManderson on Wednesday mornings from 10am-11.15am in Carcullion House. Places are limited so book yours asap with Caitriona at Hilltown Post Office. Cost £35 for 6 weeks starting **Wednesday 20th March.**

Lenten Days and Holy Week Retreat at Dromantine - 2019
30th March 'A Lenten Experience: Called to Renewal'
 led by Fr. John Gallagher SMA 10am - 5pm £25 lunch included
Holy Week Retreat Wed 17th April at 5pm – Sunday 21st at 11am
 The SMA Community invites you to join them in reflectively celebrating the Easter Triduum, beginning with the Seder Meal. £250 full board
Dromantine Retreat Centre, Newry BT34 1RH
Booking: Tel. 028 30821964 or admin@dromantineconference.com

Benedictine Abbey Please remember the Benedictine Community in Rostrevor and give thanks for its new status as an Abbey, bestowed recently by the Abbot General of the Congregation. We also congratulate Dom Mark Ephrem who becomes its first Abbot.

Pioneer Total Abstinence Association Annual Dinner Dance on Friday 26th April 2019 at 8pm in INF Hall Hilltown. For tickets or if you think you are due to receive a Silver, Gold or Fr Cullen Certificate please contact **Susie Brannigan on 07803163476 or Maureen Kearney on 07763640875.**



What is Lent?
 Lent is the forty-day liturgical season of fasting, special prayer and almsgiving in preparation for Easter. The name "Lent" is from the Middle English "Lencten," meaning spring; its more primitive ecclesiastical name was the "forty days," "quadragesima" in Latin or "tessaracoste" in Greek. The number "forty" is first noted in the Canons of Nicaea (A.D. 325), likely in imitation of Jesus' fast in the desert before His public ministry (with Old Testament precedent in Moses and Elijah). By the fourth century, in most of the West, it referred to six days' fast per week of six weeks (Sundays were excluded).

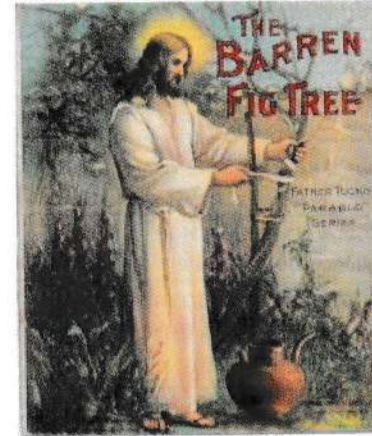
CONGRATULATIONS to Isabella O'Hare and Beth Fitzpatrick on receiving the Colleges U19 Camogie All Stars Award

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Clonduff Parish Newsletter

Sunday 24th March 2019

Third Sunday of Lent



Jesus' parable describes the consequences of fruitless living.
 Luke 13: 1-9

Trocaire boxes are available in each Church porch. Please take one with you - and one for your neighbour too!

The Gospel tells us if we wish to renew our lives the remedy is in prayer, fasting and almsgiving. These three strands of Lenten observance are as ancient as Christianity itself. There is no substitute for them.

How do we not judge, not condemn, and forgive? 'Give and it will be given to you': be generous in giving. Not only material alms, but spiritual alms too: spend time with someone in need, visit someone who is sick, offer a smile.
 Pope Francis tweet March 2019



Fr C Byrne Tel (028) 40630206 or in emergency 07764941606



PARISH OF CLONDUFF 24th MARCH 2019

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

(Sunday Readings Cycle C – Weekday Readings Cycle 1)

ANNIVERSARIES: BALLYMAGHERY, BALLYGORIAN & CABRA		
Sat 23 rd Mar 6.30pm BALLYMAGHERY	Tim Hetherington, Wirrell; Joseph & Mary Catherine Brannagan, Spelga Park	
Sun 24 th Mar 9.00am CABRA		
Sun 24 th Mar 11.00am BALLYGORIAN 5.00pm	Catherine Kelly, Church St, Rostrevor; Peter Farrell, Rostrevor; Hugh Kelly, Yellow Road Stations of the Cross	
Wed 27 th Mar 7.30pm	BALLYGORIAN:	
Fri 29 th Mar 7.30pm CABRA		
Sat 30 th Mar 6.30pm BALLYMAGHERY	Ambrose, Michael & Martin Walls, Goward; Gerard McGaw, Kilkeel Road; Patrick, Florrie & Patsy McGaw, Kennedy Drive	
Sun 31 st Mar 9.00am CABRA	Bernard Travers, Cabra; The Deceased Members of the Maginnis Family, Islandmoyle	
Sun 31 st Mar 11.00am BALLYGORIAN	Denis Rodgers, St. John's Terrace; Joan Morgan, Spelga Park; Roberta, Frances & Robert Russell, St. John's Terrace; John Thomas Fegan, Leitrim	
WEEKDAY MASS TIMES DURING LENT		
BALLYMAGHERY: Mon, Tues, Wed & Fri 8.45am & Thurs 9.15am	BALLYGORIAN: Wed 7.30pm CABRA: Fri 7.30pm	
READERS FOR MARCH		
BALLYMAGHERY	BALLYGORIAN	CABRA
Kayleigh McPolin Jordan McPolin	Teresa Branagan Tracy Lively	Sun 31 st March 9.00am: Lisa Gribben

Please Note: I will be away for one week from Wednesday 27th March – Wednesday 3rd April. Fr. Dessie McGivern will be saying the Parish Masses. There will be no Baptisms on the weekend of Saturday 30th – Sunday 31st March. Any sick calls please ring Fr. Tom McAteer 028 40630306 or Mobile 07745798998. Fr. Desmond Mooney 028 41772200 or Canon John Kearney 028 41772201. Hopefully there will be no funerals, but if there is Fr. Desmond Mooney or Canon John Kearney will take care of them. Fr. C. Byrne

Collection: £2,680.00 Thanks for your continuing support.
 Adoration Times: Ballymaghery: Wed 9am – 12pm.
 Ballygorian: Wed 6.30pm – 7.30pm. Cabra: Fri 6.30pm – 7.30pm.

Email: info@clonduffparish.com

PLEASE NOTE If someone is sick or elderly at home and not able to come to Mass and has not been visited please contact me on (028) 40630206 or 07764941606 Also if there is someone in hospital please let me know. Fr. C. Byrne

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS		
BALLYMAGHERY	BALLYGORIAN	CABRA
Sat 30 th March 6.30pm: Kathleen & Sean Hillen; Mary McGreevy; Joseph Farrell	Sun 31 st March 11.00am: Lucia Franklin; Kathleen McPolin	Sun 31 st March 9.00am: Geraldine & Ann McPolin
ALTAR SERVERS		
BALLYMAGHERY	BALLYGORIAN	CABRA
Sat 30 th March 6.30pm: Sean McGreevy; Caoimhe Cowan; Leah Murray	Sun 31 st March 11.00am: Meabh McPolin; Sinead McPolin; Ciara McPolin	Sun 31 st March 9.00am: Eimear Gribben; Catherine Taylor; Daniel Gribben; Emma McPolin

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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.



BAPTISM TEAM – We are currently forming a Baptism Preparation Team for the Parish. If you are interested in becoming a member of the team. Please contact Caroline. Mobile no: 07803272403

Choir Practice on Monday evening at 7.00pm



CEMETERY MASS DATES
 BALLYMAGHERY Saturday 1st June 6.30pm. CABRA Friday 7th June 7.30pm.
 BALLYGORIAN Sunday 9th June 11.00am.

PASTORAL AREA MEETING
 on Wednesday 27th March 2019 in the Parish Centre, Warrenpoint at 7.30pm

Today's Gospel is a reminder of the need for conversion - for a change of direction in our lives. We cannot presume forever on the mercy of God.

New Parish Envelopes are available for collection and delivery in the Parish Rooms

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS – We would like to add to our number of Eucharistic Ministers in all three Parish Churches. We would especially like to invite our young people 17+ to consider this Ministry. Please contact Fr Charles Byrne PP

Website: www.clonduffparish.com

