

Christmas Eve Readers	Christmas Day Readers
6pm: Anne O'Hare	10.00am: Jemma Boden
7.30pm: Marie Cowan	11.30am: Oonagh McAleavey
6pm: Joleen Morgan	

CABRA

Eucharistic Ministers	Readers
Fri 1 st Jan 7.30pm: Geraldine McPolin	Fri 1 st Jan 7.30pm: Eoghan McAlinden
Sun 3 rd Jan 9.00am: Roisin McAlinden	Sun 3 rd Jan 9.00am: Katie Lynch

DROMORE DIOCESAN HISTORICAL SOCIETY The Society's is pleased to announce that its Journal Seanchas Dthroim Mor 2020 is now on sale price £10 or £15 to include p&p Seanchas Dthroim Mor 2020 120pp includes articles on :
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 Columbans from the Diocese of Dromore
 Edward Mulhern, Lord Bishop of Dromore 1916-1943
The Grinan Crosses, Clonlea Graveyard & the Mooney family
 The Function of Art: The Great Depression, Papal Encyclicals, and Editorial Cartoons
 Barry Sheppard
 Fr Neil Collins
 Martin Goss
 Elizabeth Hughes

Newry streets in the 1911 Census; (an online study in time of Covid) **Martin Goss**
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CHRISTMAS TIME



The Christmas feast is a festival full of joy. The Eternal Word has become Man and dwells among us. The longings of the patriarchs and prophets are fulfilled. With the shepherds we hurry to the manger and adore the Incarnate Son of God, who for us and for our salvation descended upon earth. The purpose of the Christmas feast is beautifully expressed in the Preface of the Nativity: "For by the mystery of the Word made flesh the light of Thy glory hath shone anew upon the eyes of our mind; so that while we acknowledge Him a God seen by men, we may be drawn by Him to the love of things unseen."

During the Christmas season there is an extensive exchange of greetings and good wishes among friends. These greetings are a reminder of those "good tidings of great joy that shall be to all the people, for this day is born to you a Saviour Who is Christ the Lord" (Lk. 2:11). They are a reminder, too, that all blessings and graces come to us from Christ: "Hath He not also with Him given us all things?" (Rom. 8:32).

Clonduff Parish Newsletter

Sunday 27th December 2020
The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph



Jesus' dignity is great for he is the Son of the Most High.
 Luke. 1: 26-38



NOTICE REGARDING CHRISTMAS MASSES IN CLONDUFF

Please be advised that all 7 Christmas Masses in the Parish of Clonduff are now **FULLY BOOKED**. In order to adhere to Public Health guidance and Social Distancing we are unable to accept anymore applications for seats at any of the Masses. Those who have already applied for seats will be contacted in the coming days. It is **important to emphasise** that only those who have been allocated seats at a certain Mass may attend that specific Mass this year.

All Masses will be streamed live via Webcam.

We would encourage those who are unable to attend Mass in person to participate from home via Webcam or visit the beautiful Cribs in our Chapels over the festive season.

www.clonduffparish.com or www.churchmedia.tv

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

ANNIVERSARIES: BALLYMAGHERY, CABRA	
Thur 24 th Dec 6.00pm BALLYGORIAN:	CHRISTMAS EVE: Bronagh Pertwee & Deceased Kelly Family members, Yellow Road
Thur 24 th Dec 6.00pm BALLYMAGHERY	CHRISTMAS EVE: Connie & Patrick Gribben & Deceased Family members, Ballykeel & Patrick & Annie, Leitrim
Thur 24 th Dec 7.30pm BALLYMAGHERY:	CHRISTMAS EVE:
Thur 24 th Dec 7.30pm CABRA:	CHRISTMAS EVE:
Fri 25 th Dec 9.00am CABRA:	CHRISTMAS DAY: MM Mary Rodgers & Patrick & Josephine Rodgers, Cabra
Fri 25 th Dec 10.00am BALLYGORIAN:	CHRISTMAS DAY:
Fri 25 th Dec 11.30am BALLYMAGHERY: Sat 26 th Dec 10.00am St. Stephen's Day Mass	CHRISTMAS DAY:
Sat 26 th Dec 6.00pm BALLYMAGHERY:	Public Mass: Hugh & Ellen Kearney, Bann View
Sun 27 th Dec 9.00am CABRA:	Public Mass:
Sun 27 th Dec 11.30am BALLYMAGHERY:	Public Mass: James, Teresa & Sr Mary Teresa Rice & Deceased Family members, Bryansford Road;
Mon 28 th Dec 10.00am BALLYMAGHERY:	James & Bridget Ann McConville, Mullaghmore
Tues 29 th Dec 10.00am	BALLYMAGHERY:
Wed 30 th Dec 10.00am	BALLYMAGHERY: Public Mass:
Thur 31 st Dec 10.00am	BALLYMAGHERY:
Fri 1 st Jan 10.00am	BALLYMAGHERY: Arthur & Kathleen Gribben, Ballykeel;
Fri 1 st Jan 10.00am CABRA:	Bronagh Ann Gibney, Seaforde
Sat 2 nd Jan 6.00pm BALLYMAGHERY:	Public Mass: Edward & Elizabeth Mackin; Jonnie McAlinden, Letallion Kathleen McGinn, Kilkeel Road; Eddie Gribben, Castlewellaan; Sheila Brannigan, Castlewellaan Road
Sun 3 rd Jan 9.00am	Public Mass: St Mary's Cabra:
Sun 3 rd Jan 11.30am BALLYMAGHERY:	Public Mass: Mick Devlin, Clonduff Road; Lily McAleenan, Cleomac, Yellow Road



PARISH OF CLONDUFF SUNDAY 27TH DECEMBER 2020
THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH
(Sunday Readings Cycle B – Weekday Readings Cycle 1)

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*

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 £3,435.00

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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.

Thanks to the stewards and cleaners who are doing a great job enabling us to keep our Churches open over the Christmas Season. Please continue to adhere to social distancing, sanitising and wearing masks at all times.

Eucharistic Ministers 19th – 20th December	Eucharistic Ministers 19th – 20th December
6pm Marie Murray	6pm: Susan Brannigan
11.30am: Ursula Murphy	11.30am: P J Quinn
Readers 26th – 27th December	Readers 26th – 27th December
6pm: Sinead & Meabhbh McPolin	6pm: Emma McGreevy
11.30am: Laura Murray	11.30am: Geraldine Smith
BALLYGORIAN Eucharistic Ministers	BALLYMAGHERY Eucharistic Ministers
Thur 24 th Dec 6pm: Geraldine Smyth	Thur 24 th Dec 6pm Joseph Farrell
Fri 25 th Dec 10.00am: Ursula Murphy	7.30pm P J Quinn
Susan Brannigan	Fri 25 th Dec 11.30am: Des McNeill
CABRA Eucharistic Ministers	CABRA Readers
Thur 24 th Dec 7.30pm: Jerome Lynch	Thur 24 th Dec 7.30pm: Angela Gribben
Fri 25 th Dec 9.00am: Sean McAlinden	Fri 25 th Dec 9.00am: Kate Woods
Sun 27 th Dec 9.00am: Anne O'Hare	Sun 27 th Dec 9.00am: Deirbhile Devlin