

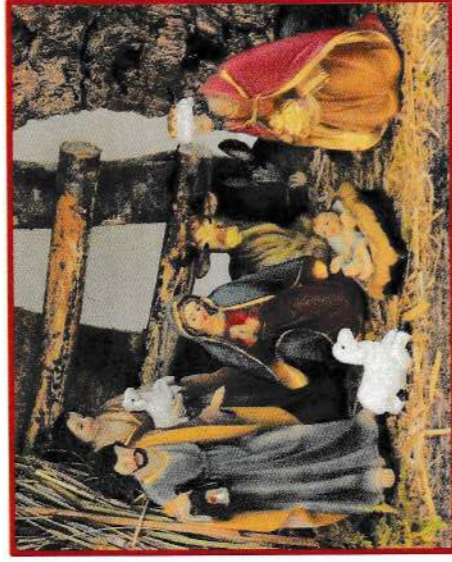
CABRA

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| Eucharistic Minister | Reader |
| Sun 3rd Jan 9.00am: Roisin McAlinden | Sun 3rd 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 :
 Dr Patrick Donnelly 1649-1719 Bishop of Dromore and "Bard of Armagh" Thomas B. Keane. The Story of the Sisters of Mercy, Lurgan. Sr. Dr Evelyn Kenny
 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
Newry streets in the 1911Census; (an online study in time of Covid) **Martin Goss**
 Please contact any of the following to purchase a copy: Martin Goss, Newry 30262849 (answerphone) or goss.ljm@gmail.com Michael Keenan, Burren: 41772543

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

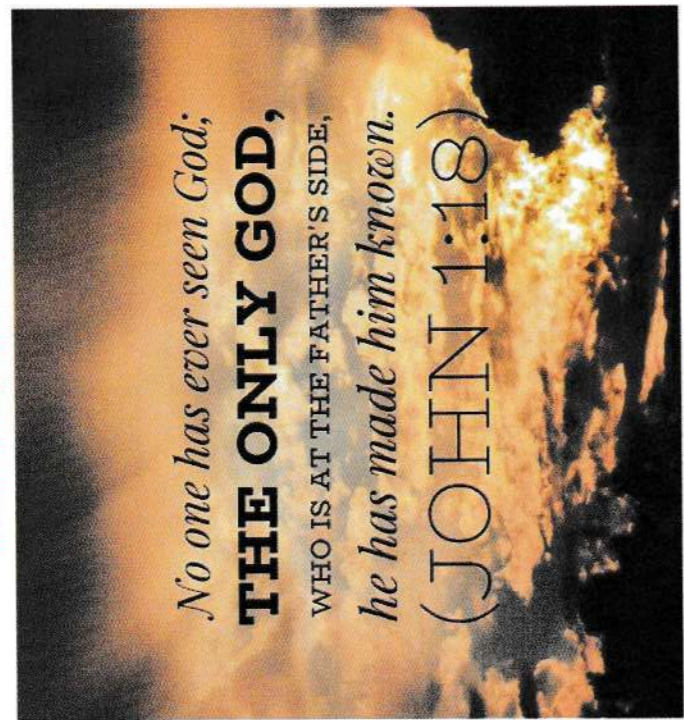


Nativity: "For by the mystery of the Word made flesh the light of Thy glory hath shone anew upon the eyes of our mind; so that while we acknowledge Him a God seen by men, we may be drawn by Him to the love of things unseen."

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 3rd January 2021
 Second Sunday after Christmas



No one has ever seen God;
THE ONLY GOD,
 WHO IS AT THE FATHER'S SIDE,
he has made him known.
 (JOHN 1:18)

God spoke his Word, the Eternal Son.
 John. 1: 1-18



Happy New Year 2021

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| ANNIVERSARIES: BALLYMAGHERY, CABRA | |
| Sat 2nd Jan 6.00pm BALLYMAGHERY: | Edward & Elizabeth Mackin; Jonnie McAlinden, Letallion; Kathleen McGinn, Kilkeel Road; Eddie Gribben, Castlewalian Road; Sheila Brannigan, Castlewalian Road |
| Sun 3rd Jan 9.00am CABRA: | Mick Devlin, Clonduff Road; Lily McAleenan, Cleomac, Yellow Road; Charlie Byrne, Glaskermore |
| Mon 4th Jan 9.00am BALLYMAGHERY: | BALLYMAGHERY: |
| Tues 5th Jan 9.00am | BALLYMAGHERY: Vigil Mass Feast of the Epiphany |
| Tues 5th Jan 7.00pm | BALLYMAGHERY: Feast of the Epiphany |
| Wed 6th Jan 9.00am | BALLYMAGHERY: |
| Thur 7th Jan 9.00am | BALLYMAGHERY: |
| Fri 8th Jan 9.00am | Stephen, Catherine & Mary McAleavey & Deceased Family, Stang |
| Fri 8th Jan 7.00pm CABRA: | Ella Trainor, Carquilian |
| Sat 9th Jan 6.00pm BALLYMAGHERY: | Cabra: MM John Doherty, Islandmoyle |
| Sun 10th Jan 9.00am | Ciaran McAleenan, Yellow Road; Owen & Bridie O'Hare, Ballykeel |
| Sun 10th Jan 11.30am BALLYMAGHERY: | |

We Three Kings of Orient Are
O Star of wonder, star of night,

The Christmas carol We Three Kings of Orient Are was written by Reverend John Henry Hopkins, Jr. in 1857 for a Christmas pageant.
 Now after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the king, magi from the east arrived in Jerusalem, saying, "Where is He who has been born King of the Jews? For we saw His star in the east and have come to worship Him." Matt 2:1-2



Guided by the star, the Magi travelled to the place where Jesus, Joseph and Mary were staying. They presented their new born King with presents of gold, frankincense and myrrh. The first gift of gold identified Jesus as King, the second gift, frankincense, symbolizes his Priesthood, and the third gift, myrrh, prophesied of his death, as myrrh was commonly used as an embalming spice in that day. The three offices of the Messiah, Prophet, Priest and King, were also represented by the gifts.



PARISH OF CLONDUFF SUNDAY 3RD JANUARY 2021
SECON SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS
 (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, Castlewalian Road on Sunday 9am to 12 noon and Monday 9am to 12noon.**
 Thanks for your support last week £3,727.00

Registered with the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland NIC105046
 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.

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| Eucharistic Ministers 2nd – 3rd January | Eucharistic Ministers 9th – 10th January |
| 6pm Gerard O'Hare | 6pm: Joseph Farrell |
| 11.30am: Geraldine Smyth | 11.30am: Mary McGreevy |
| Readers 2nd – 3rd January | Readers 9th – 10th January |
| 6pm: Emma McGreevy | 6pm: Nahomi Murray |
| 11.30am: Geraldine Smith | 11.30am: Teresa Carr |

SVPD ST JOHN'S CONFERENCE, CLONDUFF
 The members of SVPD St John's Conference, Clonduff would like to thank all the local businesses and individuals who very generously contributed to our 2020 Christmas Appeal. With your help we have made Christmas 2020 a very memorable one for a lot of grateful families.



Wishing you all a Blessed and Happy New Year

