

MARCH 2017

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

St Patrick's:

6.15pm M McQuaid, R Boyle,
J McGirr, R Campbell
8.00am B Mulgrew, D Campbell,
F O'Donnell, E Burns.
10.30am P Ferran, R McGee,
P Kelly, J McAshea.
12.30pm V Weir, R Glackin,
B McHugh, R Pearson

COUNTERS:

P Doris, A McSwiggan, B Donnelly,
O McHugh, M Kelly, J Kelly

ALTAR SOCIETY:

E Devlin, N Kerr

STEWARDS - St Patrick's

6.15pm K O'Donnell, T Bullock,
K Murray, J McCann,
S Hamill.
8.00am S McCrystal, S Murphy,
L Murray, E Goodwin.
10.30am P McGahan, M Corrigan,
J McQuaid, J Casey,
M McKenna.
12.30pm P J Quinn, N O'Hagan,
J McCausland, J Ruddy

MINISTERS OF THE WORD

St Patrick's:

6.15pm P McCusker, E Hurlpaul
8.00am L McCrystal
10.30am F Mohan, C McGearry
12.30pm P Henry, P Mallon

Clonmore:

1 March (Ash Wed) J Ward
5 March A Casey
12 March T O'Hagan
17 March J O'Donnell
19 March H McAlinden
26 March P Forker

Killyman:

1 March (Ash Wed) B Morgan
5 March J Quinn
12 March O Fox
17 March C O'Hagan
19 March M Quinn
26 March S McCann

Edendork: 10am 12noon

1 March S Currie S Fearon
5 March E Goodwin D Mallon
12 March Mgt Mallon A Mallon
17 March Aoife Mallon R Mallon
19 March B Mallon P Mallon
26 March M Martin E Mallon

This Rota is also available on the
Parish Website.

www.parishofdungannon.com

50th Mid-Ulster Festival of Amateur

Drama – Launch *Sun 5 March*. All of our patrons, players, producers, playwrights and providers of sponsorship who have supported us over the years are cordially invited to our launch event on *Sun 5 March* in The Patrician, Carrickmore at 3pm. Some entertainment, some eats and some excitement on the day!

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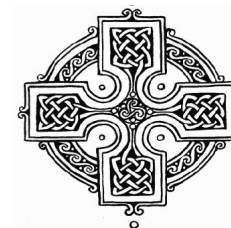
Parish of Dungannon

Killyman, Drumglass & Tullyniskin

St Patrick's, Dungannon

St Malachy's, Edendork

St Brigid's, Killyman Sacred Heart, Clonmore



8th Sunday of the Year

26 February 2017

**Rt Rev Dean Colum Curry, PP, VG – 02887 722775 Curates - Fr Seamus White,
Fr Radoslaw Szymoniak, Fr Aidan McCann & Deacon Andy Hegarty – 02887 722631
EMERGENCY CALLS ONLY – 07518 542 360 PARISH OFFICE – 02887 726893**

Email: info@parishofdungannon.com

Dear Parishioners,

I like the story about the clock that had a nervous breakdown! The clock was a wedding present to the newly married couple who placed it on the mantelpiece of their new home. In its place of pride it ticked away to its heart's content 'tick tock; tick tock'. The weeks and months went by and then one day the clock began to calculate how many times it was going to have to tick: 2 ticks in the second means 120 ticks in the minute - that's 7,200 ticks per hour. 172,800 ticks per day meant 1,209,600 per week for 52 weeks and so that would be 62,899,200 per year. The clock was horrified and had a nervous breakdown immediately. It was taken to a psychiatrist and burst in to tears, "I have to tick so much I can't cope", and began the calculations. "Hold it, hold it", says the psychiatrist, cutting in. "Tell me, how many ticks do you have to tick at a time?" "Oh I just have to tick one tick at a time". "Then let me make a suggestion, you go home and try ticking one tick at a time. Don't even think about the next tick until its time. Just tick one tick at a time." And the clock went home greatly relieved.

That story, like today's gospel, reminds us: why people worry; the futility of worry and how to overcome worry. Most people worry when in our minds we try to bite off more than we can chew. What will we eat? What will we drink? What will we wear? We try to handle too many things in our minds when we worry about the future and about the tomorrows that are so uncertain. Then there is the futility of worry. In both the story of the clock and in the gospel we see that worry is counter productive. As Jesus asks, "Can any of you, for all your worrying, add one single cubit to your span of life?"

And that brings us to the all important question of how to overcome worry. We overcome worry by living in the present moment, focusing on what we need to do today, knowing that we can figure out how to cross tomorrow's bridge when we get there. Today's Gospel could be summarised: "Don't worry about yesterday because it is in the past and gone, don't worry about tomorrow because it is in the future and not here yet, so focus on today, it is a gift, that is why it is called the present!"

With every blessing, Colum Curry PP

SUNDAY MASSES (including Vigil):

St. Patrick's: Sat at 6.15pm
Sun at 8.00am, 10.30am & 12.30pm
Polish Mass: Sun at 5.30pm
Edendork: 10am & 12noon
Clonmore: Sun at 10am
Killyman: Sun at 11am

WEEKDAY MASSES

St Patrick's

Mon -Tue: 7.45am, 10am, &
7.30pm
Wed – Fri: 7.00am, 7.45am
10.00am & 7.30pm
Sat: 10.00am
St Malachy's: Fri: 10.00am

Novena prayers will be said during the 7.30pm Mass on Monday.

CONFESSIONS

St Patrick's

Mon-Sat 9.15am – 9.55 am
Saturday 12.30pm – 1.00pm
5.30pm – 6.00pm

BAPTISMS

Please contact the Parish Office on **028 8772 6893**, to arrange.

Please give at least 2 weeks' notice.

We welcome:

Owen Antony Brown
Dylan John Stringer
Danny Josef Canavan

CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP

Meets every **Wednesday at 8.00pm** in the Convent.

OUR LADY'S GROTTTO EDENDORK

Rosary at Grotto **8.30pm every Thurs.**

PARISH COLLECTION

19 February

Envelopes, DDs and Loose Plate
£5,000-20

ASH WEDNESDAY – Wed 1 March

St Patrick's: 7.00am, 7.45am
10.00am & 7.30pm
St Malachy's: 10.00am
St Brigid's: 7.30pm
Sacred Heart: 7.30pm

TRÓCAIRE BOXES

Trócaire boxes are available at the back of each Church. Please take one per household.

RECENTLY DECEASED

John Fitzpatrick, formerly Dgn
Helena Dalecka, Lisnahull Park
Rose Beagan, Woodbourne Cr
Mary O'Connor, Lurgaboy Lane
Patrick Skelton, Corrainey Gdns
Peter McCann, Coalisland Rd
Evelyn McLarnon, Lisnahull Rd
Patrick McGuigan, Coalisland Rd
Please remember them in your prayers.

PRIESTS' LENTEN DUES

These will be taken up at all Masses next weekend, **4/5 March**, using the pink envelope. Please note that monthly direct debits do not cover Dues. Cheques should be made payable to "**Parochial House Account**".

FIRST FRIDAY - 3 MARCH

St Patrick's 7.00am, 7.45am
10.00am & 7.45pm
St Malachy's 10.00am
St Brigid's 11.00am
Sacred Heart 7.30pm

The sick and the housebound will be visited during the week (Those on Dean Curry's list will be visited on Saturday.)

FEAST DAYS

Mar 4 – St Casimir

COFFEE MORNING

Tea, Coffee and Pancakes will be served on **Fri 3 March** in St Teresa's Hall after 10.00am Mass.
Everyone most welcome.

DUNGANNON LOURDES COMMITTEE

Annual pilgrimage, **12 – 17 May 2017**.
The office is open every **Thursday 7.30pm – 9.00pm** or Tel Lourdes booking number 07936566983.
Please note all booking forms must be returned by **Mon 27 Feb**.

The Dungannon Fundraising Group for Marie Curie Cancer Care presents their 20th Annual Great Daffodil Ball. Sat 4 March at 7.30pm in Glenavon House Hotel Cookstown.

Tickets £40 each.

For information or to buy tickets contact the numbers below, speak to any committee member or send us an email
Sandra Spence: 028 8772 3989
Cathal McGurk: 07762 309 294
Email: dungannonfundraisinggroup.mariecurie@hotmail.co.uk

TRAD FOR TRÓCAIRE

**SUNDAY 19 MARCH AT 8.30 pm
in THE GABLES CARLAND**

Great line up of local talent: Malachi & Plunkett, Carland Traditional Group, The O'Neill Sisters, Carroll School of Dancing, John & Claire O'Neill & Friends, The McGrath Brothers Traditional Group & more..... Tickets £10. Children £5. On sale in Begley's Shops Irish & William Street, Carmel's, Aras Mhuire and The Gables- or pay at the door. It promises to be a great night for a worthy cause.

100 YEARS OF FATIMA:

Centennial Statue to visit Armagh.

A statue of Our Lady of Fatima, blessed by Pope Francis, will be brought to St Malachy's Armagh on **Fri 3 Mar** prior to 7.30pm Mass. The Statue will be brought on **Sat 4 Mar**, to St Patrick's Cathedral prior to 10.00am Mass.
Full details on www.armaghdiocese.org

'WONDERS OF THE NIGHT SKY'

- **Fri 3 Mar**. Organised by the Irish Astronomical Association and hosted by St. Patrick's Academy, Dungannon, 7:30-9:00pm, (Tel:028 87727400) This is an opportunity to visit the school's observatory and observe the night sky through telescopes. There will also be a star show in a mobile planetarium. You can also bring along your own telescope for advice and help. Free admission and all are welcome.

AN EVENING WITH THE BELLAS

Joanne, Lia and Cliodhna O'Neill present to you a night of song featuring popular classics, old favourites and some new material to sing the night away to. Taking place on **Sat 11 Mar** in Ranfurly House, Dungannon. Tickets available from the Box Office 8772 8600.

St Patrick & The Book of Armagh

A talk in the Cardinal O'Fiaich Library on **Fri 3 March at 7.00pm**, by Roddy Hegarty, will explore what the book of Armagh tells us about St Patrick. Booking essential - The Market Place Theatre Armagh 02837 521821 Tickets £6-00.