Beragh Parish Bulletin



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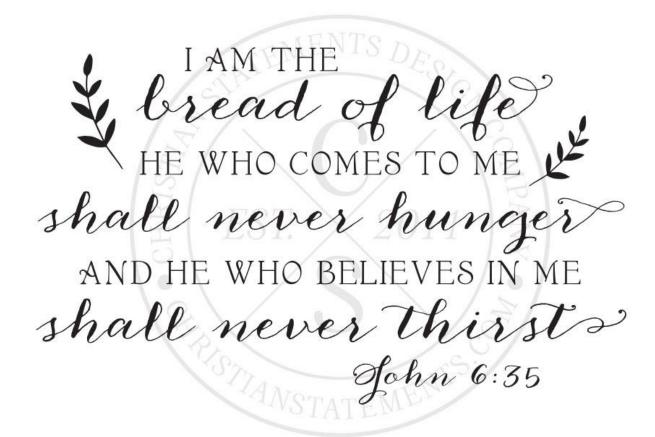
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Parish Office Opening Hours

Tuesdays: 1.00 pm - 4.00 pm; Fridays: 9.00 am - 1.30 pm.



Dear Parishioner and Gentle Reader,

As children growing up some of us may recall certain "old wives' tales" that were intended to give guidance about living and behaving in such a way that we would be healthy and wise. Many of these related to food: eating carrots would help your eyesight; bread crusts would make your hair curly; an apple a day would keep the doctor away. These wise sayings, passed down through generations by word of mouth, were employed to encourage us to eat certain foods that would improve our health. Some of them might even had an element of truth.

Recent years has seen an increased focus on health matters, both physical and mental. Words like nutrition, cholesterol and vitamins are part of our everyday vocabulary. Nourishing our minds and bodies and keeping them healthy are serious lifelong projects. However, in today's Gospel, Jesus speaks about a different type of nourishment; he refers to bread that gives life, food that satisfies, something that endures. "I am the bread of life", says Jesus. It is he himself who nourishes us at the very core of our being, who knows our every need

and gives meaning to our lives. He tells us not to "work for food that cannot last, but work for food that endures to eternal life". In other words, Jesus is pointing out the importance of nourishing our spirits, and we do that through the gift of the Eucharist.

And yet receiving the Eucharist should not be something we do casually as a matter of course. If the food from heaven is Christ's gift to us, then the way we receive that food is our gift to him. Communion is a challenge to good living that we cannot ignore. A sincere commitment to Gospel values, a genuine striving for honesty and integrity, a determination to work for justice and a deep concern for the environment should be some of the hallmarks that make up our response. Let us pray that we will receive the "manna from heaven" frequently, honestly and gratefully so that in the power of its nourishment we will lead good and healthy lives.

With every blessing, Monsignor Colum.

Annual Blessing of Graves

Unfortunately, the current Covid-19 restrictions do not permit large gatherings of people. Therefore, I am planning to bless privately all graves in each of the three cemeteries in Beragh parish during the week beginning Monday 16th August. In the meantime, I would encourage parishioners to begin tidying their family plots in the usual way.

Fundraising Update - Trócaire

In the coming weeks and months, it is possible that a Trócaire fundraiser may call to your home inviting monthly donations. Fundraising representatives will be wearing Trócaire blue branded jackets and face masks and will adhere to COVID compliance guidelines to ensure safety measures are met.

The door-to-door campaign allows us to reach people who have not donated to our Lenten appeal and also gives people the choice to donate in different ways. Monthly donations help Trócaire to plan ahead and have greater impact with the communities we exist to serve.

PS If you would like to contact Trócaire directly on any matter related to this initiative, you can contact Louise Walker on 00353 5053 225 or louise.walker@trocaire.org

St Patrick's Archdiocesan Trust Limited

Vacancy for 2 Youth Ministry Co-ordinators

[3 Year Fixed-Term Contract (subject to an 11 month Probationary Period)]

The Archdiocese of Armagh seeks to appoint two motivated and talented professionals, each to undertake the full-time roles of Youth Ministry Co-ordinator. The Youth Ministry Co-ordinators will work with the Diocesan Pastoral Team and be responsible for implementing the youth ministry element in the Diocesan Pastoral Plan. They will work with parishes and pastoral areas to meet the goals of the Armagh Diocesan Youth Commission's (ADYC) Strategic Plan 2019-2024 'Encourage, Enable and Empower.' The plan reaches out to all young people in the Archdiocese of Armagh to provide faith formation and to enable the development of peer ministry. This will involve developing a wide range of network communications with parishes, families, schools, and community organisations. This is an excellent opportunity and challenge for two experienced candidates to join our Diocesan Team.

The appointments will be on a permanent full-time basis requiring 35 hours attendance each week, generally Monday-Friday. Flexibility in work pattern and hours worked will be requirements of these roles.

(Even though the Co-ordinators will work as part of a diocesan team, one will be based in the North and one in the South of the diocese).

Starting salary: £24,982 (or € equivalent).

If interested in making an application for either of these posts, please download, complete and return an Application Form from the Archdiocese of Armagh website at: armagharchdiocese.org, where you will also find the accompanying Job Description.

Closing date for receipt of completed applications is Friday 13 August 2021 at 5.00 pm

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Do you want to learn more about your Faith?

If you are interested, why not consider joining our Theology programme. The course takes two years with one night per week and two weekends over the academic year and is accredited by St Patrick's College, Maynooth. There are no educational entry requirements, and completion of the course is based on submitted work and does not include sitting exams.

Our Theology course will be continuing this year, starting on Tuesday 14th September. If you are interested, and would like more information, please contact Milanda at milanda@parishandfamily.ie

Summary of Beragh Parish Collections

Weekly Envelopes: £ 746.72

Loose Collection: £ 11.58

Other Collections

Candles: \pounds 72.70

Building Fund: £ 105.00

Priest's Dues: £ 290.00

Total: £1,226.00

Amount received by Standing Order Payments during the month of July was £2,620.67.

Grant them Eternal Rest, O Lord

All names on the Parish Dead List

Recently Deceased: Mary Murray; Kevin McMenamin;

Mary Dooley; Jimmy McElhatton;

Maureen McGarrity (Scotland - Funeral in Beragh this Monday); Kathleen McKee (Funeral in Garvaghey on

Thursday past).

Church of Immaculate Conception, Beragh

Sunday 1st August 9.00 am Private Intention.

11.30 am Margaret Tierney Herron;

John Montague and deceased members

of the Montague Family.

Monday 2nd August 11.00 am Funeral Mass (Maureen McGarrity).

Tuesday 3rd August 9.00 am Private Intention.

Sunday 8th August 9.00 am Private Intention.

11.30 am Michael Molloy;

Matt and Lil Colton and Patricia Kelly.

Church of St Malachy, Seskinore

Saturday 7th August 10.00 am Private Intention.

Church of St Patrick, Drumduff

Wednesday 4th August 9.00 am Ellen Cunningham.

Oratory, Sixmilecross

The Rosary and Masses from the Oratory are available on You Tube. Search for "sixmilecross oratory youtube".

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Prayer by Telephone

The Sisters of Mercy at "Bethany" House of Prayer, 34 Point Road, Dundalk, welcome any person who may wish to request prayer, especially during these difficult times. Telephone 00353 (42) 9331602, from 9.00 am to 9.00 pm daily. One of the Sisters will be happy to listen and pray with you. All requests are confidential.

Important Information about the Parish Webcam

The web camera in the Church of the Immaculate Conception, Beragh has been upgraded. Anyone wishing to watch Mass etc. being streamed from Beragh Parish should go to the parish website www.beraghparish.com for the new link or go to www.churchmedia.tv Anyone with a set top box should search for Church Media to add that channel. Any problems with the set top box, please call 07879 606 583. You will also notice on the bottom left hand corner an

additional camera choice: "Baptismal" which focuses on the baptismal font for the celebration of baptisms and "Mobile" which is available for Devotions and is only available when streaming is active.

Mass arrangements for Beragh Parish

All Masses from Church of the Immaculate Conception, Beragh are streamed via webcam.

To log on please go to: www.beraghparish.com