

Beragh Parish Bulletin



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



Dear Parishioner and Gentle Reader,

In today's Gospel we are told that: *"The Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent them out ahead of him in pairs..."* This would suggest that Jesus delegated others with the task of proclaiming the Good News. That notion of co-responsibility is at the heart of the Synodal Process that has been happening throughout Ireland and indeed throughout the Catholic world in recent months. Pope Francis is calling for a Church in which all God's people are given an opportunity to discern how the Holy Spirit is calling us to a new way of being active in the world today. That reminds me of something I read recently:

Question - When will things go back to the way they were before?

Answer - Probably never! The Spirit doesn't seem to lead us backward to what is familiar, but forward to the unknown. We cannot chart the exact course of this invitation. We can only accept it and experience the pain of change as well as the joy of new life to which God is constantly calling us.

In recent years, we have experienced much change: change within the Church and change within society. For many, it has indeed been a strange mix of pain and joy, bewilderment and confusion. There is no doubt, we face all kinds of challenges and countless opportunities that lie before us. But we must never forget that we are an Easter people, a people of hope, who are empowered with God's own Spirit. We must recognise that the parish, in which we live is not just a place, it is primarily a community of the baptised - planning and working together, recognising each other's gifts and discerning the presence of the Lord in our midst. *"The harvest is great, but the labourers are few"*.

From the responses of those who participated in the synodal consultation, it is becoming more evident that lay people will have to take greater responsibility and claim ownership of their parish in terms of administration, maintenance, pastoral care and liturgical celebrations. What was formerly the concern of the priest alone, must now become the shared ministry of many. Such a 'seismic shift', however, must be accompanied with prayer, patience and perseverance - *"Ask the Lord of the harvest to send labourers to his harvest"*.

There is widespread recognition that the Irish Church is in deep crisis, and we cannot continue to operate as we have done in the past. We are witnessing unprecedented change in our culture and in people's expectations. Only by listening respectfully to each other and allowing the Holy Spirit to speak to our hearts will we be open to conversion and action. *"Start off now, but remember I am sending you like lambs among wolves."*

The Irish Bishops have announced their intention to embark on a synodal pathway specifically for the Irish Church which will lead to a National Synodal Assembly within the next five years. The real test of its success will depend on its implementation. *"Yes, I have given you power to tread underfoot the whole strength of the enemy; nothing shall ever hurt you"*. Let us pray that we will allow the Holy Spirit to lead us into the unknown and give us the courage to experience the pain of change as well as the joy of new life to which God is constantly calling us.

With every blessing, Monsignor Colum.

Blessing of Graves

Drumduff's Blessing of the Graves will be this Saturday 2nd July at 7.30 pm.

Accord NI

If you feel your relationship is in crisis or you just need a little guidance. If you and your partner feel you could benefit from Marriage and Relationship Counselling, contact your local ACCORD Centre. Every year we help thousands of couples rebuild and sustain healthy relationships. Protect your most precious investment. Let us, help you, support your marriage.

Tel: 02890 233 002 for an appointment. Email: info@accordni.com

Web site: www.accordni.com

New Missionary Group: Apostles of Love Ireland

Check out our Facebook and website www.apostlesoflove.ie for all our activities. We are a new providential missionary group based in the Armagh Diocese on the grounds of Mellifont Abbey, Collon, Co Louth. We would like to inform you of our many activities at our Oasis of Peace Retreat Centre for prayer, healing and pastoral care. We welcome you to visit us any time for a cuppa and chat at our Forest view tea room.

- “Come Away & Find Rest” join us from a choice of one of our Retreat Day’s to suit your needs.
- Join us on one of our highly recommended “Our Lady’s Pilgrim Days” 11.00 am - 6.00 pm on the last Saturday of each month (Medjugorje Style) - Our Lady’s School of Love or join us for our Monthly Holy Spirit School.
- Apostles of Love Eucharistic Prayer Group on Tuesday 11.00 am - 1.00 pm.
- Our Scripture School (beginners 10.30 am - 12 pm) (intermediate 12.30 pm - 2.00 pm) every Thursday.
- Book for our One - One Prayer and Healing Ministry, Unbound Ministry Pastoral Counselling or Spiritual accompaniment.
- Matt Talbot Calix Addiction Recovery Group 3rd Saturday of Month, Be-Loved Faith and Support Group for Separated Ladies, St Joseph’s Food Chest for those in need.

Contact Deacon John Taaffe 0868 611 531 or Deacon Pat Butterly 0868 210 522 or Joan in the Office 0896 152 568.

HSC NI Foster Care

HSC NI Foster Care is urgently appealing for more foster carers and supported lodgings hosts who can provide homes to young refugees who arrive in Northern Ireland without a parent or carer. For more information on becoming a foster carer or supported lodgings host, contact HSC NI Foster Care on 0800 0720 137 or visit www.adoptionandfostercare.hscni.net/young-refugees/

Diploma in Youth Ministry & Spirituality

Diploma in Youth Ministry and Spirituality from Saint Patrick's College, Maynooth. The diploma is tailored for those who wish to work in Youth Ministry. For more information please see www.maynoothcollege.ie/courses

Sunday Missal

Because we are still not allowed to distribute parish bulletins in paper form, some people regret not being able to follow the readings and prayers during Sunday Mass. It might be opportune, therefore, to consider purchasing a Roman Missal for the New Year, which would cover the 3-year cycle.

If anyone would like to place an order, please do so by e mail beraghparochial@btinternet.com or contact the Parish Office on 02880 758 206.

Covid-19

While the Executive has decided to ease the restriction of face coverings in places of worship, Church leaders are encouraging people to continue to use them as a precautionary measure against the spread of infection.

Summary of Beragh Parish Collections

Weekly Envelopes: £ 807

Loose Collection: Beragh: £ 51

Drumduff: £ 2

Seskinore: £ 62

Candles: £ 138

Other Collections

Education of Student Priests: £ 10

Building Fund: £ 95

Priest's Dues: £ 370

Total: £1,535

Grant them Eternal Rest, O Lord

All names on the Parish Dead List

Recently Deceased: Peter Kelly; Sarah Sweeney;
Josephine O'Connor (nee Grimes) - Funeral in Derry
on Friday past; Martin Colton (Omagh) - Funeral in
Beragh on Friday past; Frankie McGarrity
(Sixmilecross) - Funeral in Dunmoyle on Friday past.

Church of Immaculate Conception, Beragh

Saturday 2nd July	10.00 am	John McCann (Sixmilecross).
Sunday 3rd July	11.30 am	Private Intention.
Tuesday 5th July	9.00 am	Private Intention.
Thursday 7th July	9.00 am	Private Intention.
Friday 8th July	9.00 am	Paddy McCystal.
Saturday 9th July	12 noon	Wedding.
Sunday 10th July	11.30 am	Barney and Annie Cunningham and Owen and Alice Mullan and their Son Owen; Tara and Sheryl Heaney.

Church of St Patrick, Drumduff

Saturday 2nd July (Blessing of Graves)	7.30 pm	Patrick Conlon.
Wednesday 6th July	9.00 am	Private Intention.
Saturday 9th July	7.30 pm	Kevin and Maura Owens.

Church of St Malachy, Seskinore

Sunday 3rd July	10.00 am	Private Intention.
Monday 4th July	7.30 pm	Private Intention.
Sunday 10th July	10.00 am	Private Intention.

Oratory, Sixmilecross

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

Defibrillator

The Defibrillator has now been installed at the Church of the Immaculate Conception, Beragh.

Training for Defibrillator

We are currently compiling a list of people who may wish to learn how to use the defibrillator.

If anyone is interested, please telephone the Office (02880 758 206); send an email beraghparochial@btinternet.com or put a note through the letterbox.

Please leave a telephone number so that you can be contacted.

Northern Ireland Blood Transfusion Service

Silverbirch Hotel, Omagh

Monday 4th July 12.30 pm - 4.00 pm and 5.00 pm - 7.30 pm

Tuesday 5th July 12.30 pm - 4.00 pm and 5.00 pm - 7.30 pm

(By Appointment only - please ring 08085 534 653 to book).

Beragh Red Knights GAA

Last week's lotto numbers were 7, 8, 12, 14 and 17. No jackpot winner this week but the £50 share went to Martin Kerr. Next week's jackpot is £14,450 and tickets can be bought online on Klubfunder https://www.klubfunder.com/Clubs/Beragh_Red_Knights_GAA or at local shops.

Our U14 girls travel to Coalisland this morning for another round in their league. Throw in at 11.00 am. While on Thursday evening the girls host Pomeroy, throw in at 7.30 pm. Also on Saturday evening, our Senior ladies travel to Clonoe for a throw in time of 7.00 pm.

Radio Maria

Thank God and sincere thanks also to our many listeners and supporters as RADIO MARIA IRELAND continues to grow. As an Irish run Catholic Talk Radio Station we enjoy commercial free broadcasting. We offer Prayer, Catechesis, Uplifting Music, Talks, Interviews and Testimonies. So do join our growing faith family. Here is how you can listen:

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Why not drop a line to our Priest Director, Fr Eamonn McCarthy, at Maria Ireland, St Anthony's Business Park, Ballymount Road, Dublin 22.

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.

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