

Beragh Parish Bulletin



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Parish Office Opening Hours

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



Dear Parishioner and Gentle Reader,

A remarkable thing about the scripture readings is the fact that they touch on all aspects of human life - the good, the bad and the ugly. In today's First Reading from the First Book of Kings we observe Elijah struggling with limitations that we might describe as depression, mental breakdown, or personal crisis. He is in the wilderness, sitting under a furze bush, wishing he were dead. From our own experience of life, we might be able to relate to his sense of despondency because there may have been times when we too felt under pressure or completely overwhelmed by the demands of life. Elijah is running away from his troubles and things seem so hopeless that he cries out, "I have had enough" and begs God to take his life. In due course, however, he will be visited by an angel, who will comfort him and fortify him with food so that he can continue his journey. When life gets on top of us, when we are hurt by a friend, struck by illness or simply exhausted, it is helpful to pause and when necessary to reach out to the angels who are all around us.

I am reminded of that anonymous verse "Don't Quit

When things go wrong, as they sometimes will,
When the road you're trudging seems all uphill,
When the funds are low, but the debts are high,
And you want to smile but you have to sigh,
When care is pressing you down a bit,
Rest if you must, but don't you quit.

Life is strange with its twists and turns,
As every one of us sometimes learns,
And many failures turn about,
When we might have won had we stuck it out.
Don't give up though the pace seems slow -
You may succeed with another blow.

Success is failure turned inside out -
The silver tint of the clouds of doubt,
You can never tell how close you are,
It may be near when it seems so far;
So, stick to the fight when you're hardest hit -
It's when things seem worst that you must not quit.

In all our struggles, Jesus is the one who continually offers us nourishment for the journey. In the Eucharist we receive the Bread of Life, described by Pope Francis as "...not a prize for the perfect but a powerful medicine and nourishment for the weak."

With every blessing, Monsignor Colum.

Annual Blessing of Graves

In preparation for the blessing of all graves which will be done privately during the week beginning 16th August, people are asked to attend to their family plots. If you notice any graves which have been neglected for some time, you are encouraged to tidy them as a mark of respect to the deceased.

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.

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

St Patrick's Archdiocesan Trust is an Equal Opportunities Employer

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;
Kathleen McKee; Gussie McDonald (Funeral in Fintona
last Thursday).

Church of Immaculate Conception, Beragh

Sunday 8th August	9.00 am	Private Intention.
	11.30 am	Michael Molloy; Matt and Lil Colton and Patricia Kelly.
Tuesday 10th August	9.00 am	Private Intention.
Thursday 12th August	11.30 am	Wedding (Numbers Restricted).
Friday 13th August	7.30 pm	Francis Bradley.
Saturday 14th August	10.00 am	Joe Barrett.
Sunday 15th August	9.00 am	Private Intention.
	11.30 am	Paddy McGarvey; Mary and Mick Grimes; Tommy McCann.

Church of St Malachy, Seskinore

Monday 9th August	7.30 pm	Private Intention.
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Church of St Patrick, Drumduff

Wednesday 11th August	9.00 am	Private Intention.
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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