

Beragh Parish Bulletin



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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,

It's that time of year when every week brings a noticeable change to the world of nature around us. Branches that were barren up until recently are now bedecked with buds bursting outwards with new leaves, new life, and the promise of fresh flowers and fruit. The varied shades of green add to the luxurious growth that enriches the whole countryside. Almost every branch has a different hue. And of course, there are some branches that haven't come to life at all. These are the ones that were damaged or broken during the winter storms and consequently have been cut off from the sap, the source of life.

It is this powerful image of the vine and its branches that Jesus uses in today's gospel to teach that it is only when we are linked into him that we can achieve anything of lasting value. It is only when his life permeates our hearts that we can reach our true potential as members of the one caring family. Without his sustenance and life, we cannot bear fruit by ourselves.

We know from experience that we can cut ourselves off from him through sin, selfishness or just plain carelessness. A neglected friendship quickly falters. However, for us there is always hope. Unlike the vine branches, our rift from him can always be healed and restored. He is forever ready and willing to link with us again through prayer and reconciliation. He is the vine, but he is much more - he is also our Saviour.

“Be kind and merciful and let no one ever come to you without going away better and happier. Be the living expression of God’s kindness: kindness in your face, kindness in your eyes, kindness in your smile, kindness in your warm greeting. To children, to the poor, to all who suffer and are lonely, give them always a happy smile. Give them not only your care, but also your heart. And that will make all the difference”. St Teresa of Calcutta

With every blessing, Monsignor Colum.

Trocaire Lenten Campaign

Many thanks to all who returned their Trocaire contributions, which will be greatly received by those working with the ‘world’s poorest of the poor’. This is a final appeal to anyone who may yet wish to make a donation - please return all monies and cheques to the parish **before 12th May**. As mentioned previously, the government will match all amounts £ per £, but the deadline is 20th May.

Rosary

The Rosary will be recited every evening in the Church of the Immaculate Conception, Beragh (Monday - Saturday) during the month of May at 7.15 pm and on Sundays before 9.00 am and 11.30 am Mass.

Confirmation

Confirmation for children in Primary 7 from our three primary schools has been arranged for Sunday 23rd May in the Church of the Immaculate Conception, Beragh at 3.00 pm.

Don't forget - last chance to get rid of your scrap metal!

Mary's Meals, Beragh

(Help Feed a School with your Scrap)

By donating your scrap metal, you will help us raise funds to sponsor our school of 445 children in Malawi. Drop off points are as follows:-

Flaxmill Centre - Drumduff

Beragh Chapel Carpark (opposite chapel)

**On Saturday 1st and 8th May (10.00 am - 4.00 pm)
(Collection available if needed)**

For further information, please contact Brian on 07714 168 645 or Fergal on 07547 484 190.

Amount received by Standing Order Payments during the month of April was **£2,259.**

Grant them Eternal Rest, O Lord

All names on the Parish Dead List

Recently Deceased: Lawrence McGirr; Francis Harte;
Fr Harry Coyle; Eileen Sherry - funeral last
Monday in Aughnacloy.

Church of Immaculate Conception, Beragh

Sunday 2nd May	9.00 am	Private Intention.
	11.30 am	Fr Francis Quigley; Peg Donnelly.
Tuesday 4th May	9.00 am	Private Intention.
Thursday 6th May	9.00 am	Private Intention.
Friday 7th May	7.30 pm	Private Intention.
Saturday 8th May	10.00 am	Philomena Clarke.
Sunday 9th May	9.00 am	Private Intention.
	11.30 am	Lawrence McGirr MM; Roseanne and John Donnelly and deceased members of the McCarroll Family.

Church of St Malachy, Seskinore

Monday 3rd May	7.30 am	Private Intention.
Saturday 8th May		Niamh McQuade (Private).

Church of St Patrick, Drumduff

Wednesday 5th May	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".

Parish Finances

Anyone who was supposed to receive a box of envelopes and did not do so, please contact the Parish Office on (02880 758 206) or send an email to beraghparochial@btinternet.com

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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 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