

# Beragh Parish Bulletin



**27<sup>th</sup> Sunday Year A**

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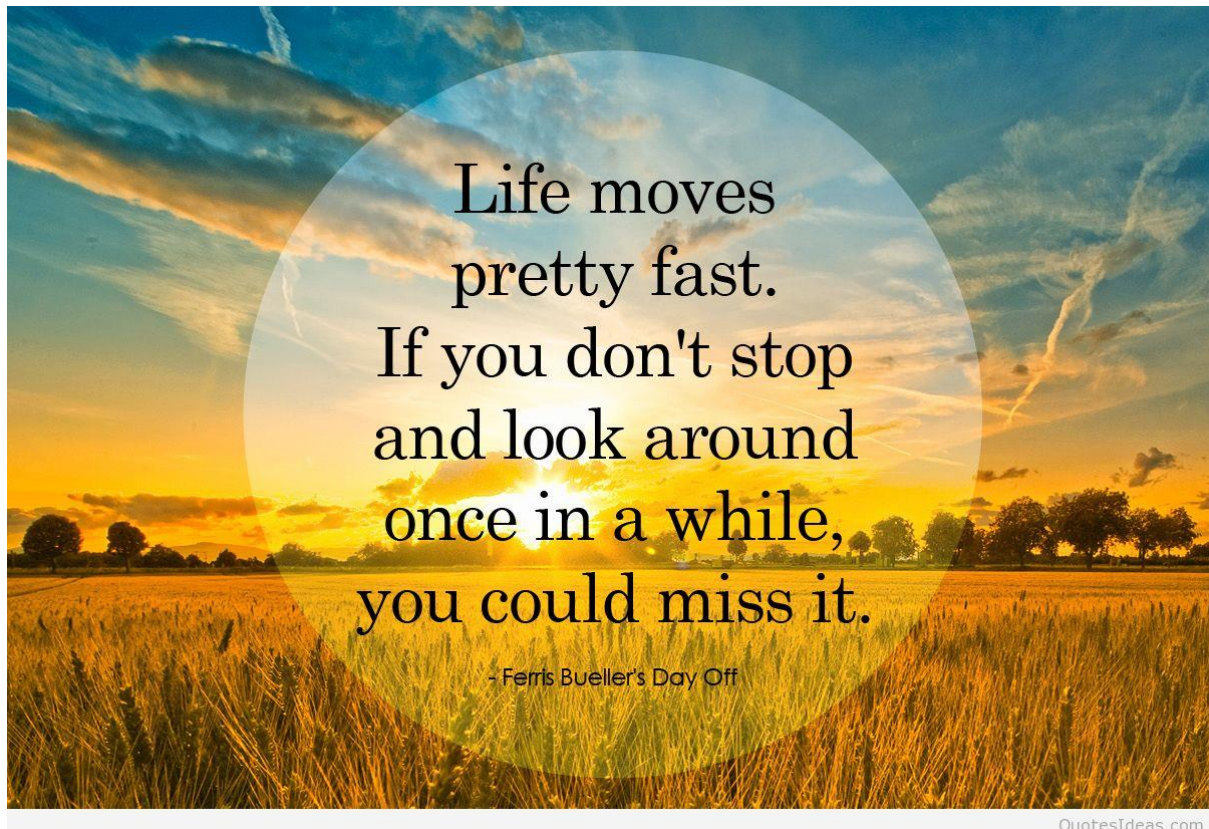
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## Parish Office Opening Hours

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



### Dear Parishioner and Gentle Reader,

Today is designated by the Church as the “Day for Life” a time to reflect on the dignity of life from conception to natural death. Today marks too the end of the Season of Creation, a time to remember that we are protectors of this earth and have been given responsibility to care for it, not to plunder and destroy it. And today is also the feast of St Francis of Assisi, who as a mystic and a poet, saw how intimately connected everything in this world really is.

During the days of lockdown many people became more aware of the simple things in life - the beauty of birdsong, the splendour of creation, the variety of trees and shrubs, the formation of the clouds, the myriad of stars at night and a sense of the earth resting. Pope Francis says that this deeper awareness, “takes us to the heart of what it is to be human” and gives us an opportunity to regain a sense of wonder and awe for all God’s creation.

The Mass readings this weekend share a common image found in the scriptures, namely that of the vineyard. All three readings are one in their challenge and encouragement for us to live a life worthy of the Gospel. We are given responsibility by the landowner who leaves the vineyard to our care and creativity. We are encouraged to bear good fruit, to be decent, loving people who create a world in which justice will flourish and peace can be enjoyed by all. The last few verses of St Paul's letter to the Philippians sum up the kind of fruit God wants, "Fill your minds with everything that is true, everything that is noble, everything that is good and pure.....then the God of peace will be with you".

And finally, in these days when our world continues to face the challenges of the coronavirus pandemic, the Holy Father asks us to "pray for all those families, volunteers and healthcare professionals committed, often heroically, to the care and healing of the suffering, and for all those who, amid the continuing 'pandemic' of poverty and war, work to uphold the God-given value and dignity of every human person."

**With every blessing, Monsignor Colum.**

### **Blessing of Graves**

Footage from the blessing of graves for Beragh, Drumduff and Seskinore can now be watched on Facebook; by going to the Parish Website - [www.beraghparish.com](http://www.beraghparish.com) and following the respective links or searching You Tube directly.

### **Mission Sunday**

This year Mission Sunday (18<sup>th</sup> October) takes place in the midst of extraordinary pressures relating to Covid-19. While this disease is having profound implications on our lives here in Ireland, in many of the poorest parishes in Africa, Asia and Latin America, missionaries are on the front-line working in desperate situations of extreme poverty. This year we are asked to reach out to them with prayer and generosity.

## **Family Rosary Crusade**

Archbishop Eamonn Martin is asking families to pray the Rosary together for the month of October in what is called the **Family Rosary Crusade**.

On Saturday October 10<sup>th</sup> the **Hail Holy Queen Conference** will be Live & Exclusive on Radio Maria Ireland, beginning with the Rosary from 12.30 pm. Guest speakers include Dana, Marino Restrepo, Fr Damian Polly, Fr Ruairi O'Domhnaill, Fr Marius O'Reilly and more.

On Sunday October 11<sup>th</sup> the **Rosary on the Coast for Life & Faith in Ireland** will take place. This year we will again join in with many other countries from around the world. We will gather on our coasts, at our grottos, our churches, our river banks, our homes, or wherever we can..... to pray the Rosary safely together at 2.30 pm. Please do remember to observe Covid-19 guidelines. See [www.coastalrosaryireland.ie](http://www.coastalrosaryireland.ie) to see locations near you or to register a location.

## **Face Coverings in Churches**

Thank you for continuing to ensure that our celebration of Mass and other Liturgies remain safe places for all who join us. It has been acknowledged that the wearing of face masks, in conjunction with hand washing and social distancing etc are likely to reduce the spread of Coronavirus, thus helping to protect others and ourselves. While the government has not formally made it mandatory, all Church leaders strongly recommend that people attending church should wear face coverings, with the exception of those people considered exempt and children under the age of 13.

## **Congratulations**

We welcome into our Community, through the Sacrament of Baptism, *Brody-James Allen* and *Rose Catherine Breen*.

## **Summary of Beragh Parish Collections**

Weekly Envelopes:                      £ 711

Loose Collection:                        £ 15

## **Other Collections**

Candles:	£ 94
Special Collections:	£ 11
Building Fund:	£ 105
Priest's Dues:	£ 40
<b>Total:</b>	<b>£ 976</b>

Amount received by Standing Order Payments during the month of September was £2,589.

### **Grant them Eternal Rest, O Lord**

All Names on the Parish Dead List

**Recently Deceased:** Kathleen Gavin; Mary B McNelis.

### **Church of Immaculate Conception, Beragh**

<b>Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> October</b>	<b>9.00 am</b>	John and Rose McDaid.
<b>Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> October</b>	<b>11.30 am</b>	Eugene and Mary Tierney; Paddy Bogan.
<b>Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> October</b>	<b>9.00 am</b>	Private Intention.
<b>Friday 9<sup>th</sup> October</b>	<b>7.30 pm</b>	Private Intention.
<b>Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> October</b>	<b>10.00 am</b>	Charles and Cassie McKenna and their daughter Mary Dowd.
<b>Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> October</b>	<b>11.30 am</b>	Frank Mulholland; Denis Hannigan (MM).

### **St Malachy's Church, Seskinore**

<b>Monday 5<sup>th</sup> October</b>	<b>9.00 am</b>	Private Intention.
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## **Church of St Patrick, Drumduff**

**Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> October 9.00 am**

Felix and Charles McNally.

### **Oratory, Sixmilecross**

The Rosary is available during October from Sixmilecross Oratory. All Day. Every Day. Search You Tube for Sixmilecross Rosary.

### **Totus Tuus Magazine**

Due to the Covid 19 Outbreak, the Totus Tuus magazine is now being delivered straight to your door. If you would like to start receiving Totus Tuus to your home, then please phone Fiona at 0868 760 058.

### **Music and Singing at Mass**

Beragh Parish is blessed with a number of people throughout the parish who have been blessed with beautiful singing voices in addition to others who are able to play musical instruments. We are extremely grateful to those individuals and groups who use their God given talents to enhance our liturgical celebrations. With the current Covid 19 restrictions, regular large choirs are discouraged, but that should not prevent us from having some music and singing at Sunday Mass.

I am extending an invitation to people throughout the parish who would be interested to kindly make contact with Mrs Clare McAleer - (Telephone: 07984 653 698 email: cmcaleer85@gmail.com). The intention is to draw up a rota for 9.00 am and 11.30 am Masses in Beragh.

### **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](http://www.beraghparish.com) for the new link or go to [www.churchmedia.tv](http://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.