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,

In relation to last week's piece in which I referred to upcoming changes, I wish to thank sincerely all those who made gracious comments and offered words of encouragement and appreciation. I am very grateful for your kind messages.

In today's Gospel Jesus raises several important issues regarding our salvation - he highlights the danger of complacency: *"try your best to enter by the narrow door"*, he warns against the temptation to entitlement: *"we once ate and drank in your company"* and he points to the uncertainty of eternity: *"yes, there are those now last who will be first, and those now first who will be last"*.

Jesus himself is making his way to Jerusalem where he knows he will face opposition from the political authorities and hostility from the religious leaders, but he is undeterred.

In attempting to connect all of this to our personal circumstances, I like the following reflection:

Jesus seems to imply there are two roads we can follow: the first is wide and easy to travel. All you have to do is yield yourself to the current and you'll be carried along. In other words - follow the crowd. It is downhill, most of the way. It is the way of comfort and ease. It is well lit with glittering neon lights which offer the traveller all kinds of enjoyments. Many are fooled and travel down this road. But in the long run, it leads them nowhere. They die in the desert.

The second road is narrow and difficult. You will often have to go it alone. It is uphill most of the way. It is the way of sacrifice, self-discipline and struggle. At times you will have no light to guide you except the stars. Few people take this road, but those who do are the lucky ones for eventually the desert sands run out and the traveller enters into the Promised Land.

May all of us choose the right road.

Lord, reserve a place in your kingdom for us, and give us the grace we need to deserve the place you keep for us.

With every blessing, Monsignor Colum.

## A Book Giveaway

In an effort to downsize, I would like to offer an assortment of books and pamphlets to the people of the parish. So this Sunday after 11.30 am Mass in Beragh I am inviting you to pick and choose. The books are mainly in the area of theology, spirituality and Catholic devotion, so there might be a limited appeal! Whatever is not picked up will be left in the hallway for a few days and then passed on to charity shops.

## **Northern Ireland Blood Transfusion Service**

Silverbirch Hotel, Omagh

On

Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> and Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> August 2022

(12.30 pm - 4.00 pm and 5.00 pm - 7.30 pm)

By appointment only.

Please call 08085 534 653 to book.

Date	
Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> Sept	<ul> <li>Years 8 Induction Group A</li> <li>Years 8 Group A off Friday 2nd returning on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> September</li> <li>Year 11 Induction</li> <li>Year 11 off Friday 2nd returning on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> September</li> </ul>
Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sept	<ul> <li>Year 8 Induction Group B</li> <li>Year 8 Group B returning on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> September</li> <li>Year 13 Induction</li> <li>Year 13 returning on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> September</li> </ul>
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Year 9-14

## **Christian Brothers' Grammar School, Omagh**

## 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: <u>info@accordni.com</u> Web site: <u>www.accordni.com</u>

#### New Missionary Group: Apostles of Love Ireland

Check out our Facebook and website <u>www.apostlesoflove.ie</u> 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 3<sup>rd</sup> 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 <u>www.maynoothcollege.ie/courses</u>

## <u>Sunday Missal</u>

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 <u>beraghparochial@btinternet.com</u> or contact the Parish Office on 02880 758 206.

#### <u>Covid-19</u>

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**

Total:		£1	,611
Priest's Dues:		£	325
Building Fund:		£	345
Peter's Pence:		£	135
Candles:		£	70
Loose Collection:	Beragh:	£	41
Weekly Envelopes:		£	695

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

All names on the Parish Dead List

<b>Recently Deceased:</b>	Bridie Kavanagh; Anthony Donaghy;	
	Sarah McKenna.	

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

Saturday 20 <sup>th</sup> August 12 noon	Wedding.			
Sunday 21 <sup>st</sup> August 11.30 am	Barney Campbell.			
Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> August 9.00 am	Private Intention.			
Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> August 9.00 am	Private Intention.			
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> August 9.00 am	Private Intention.			
Saturday 27 <sup>th</sup> August 10.00 am	Cathy Cox and Margaret and Condy McMahon.			
Sunday 28 <sup>th</sup> August 11.30 am	Private Intention.			
Church of St Patrick, Drumduff				
Saturday 20 <sup>th</sup> August 7.30 pm	Mary Alice Daly.			
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> August 9.00 am	Private Intention.			

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Saturday 27 <sup>th</sup> A	ugust	7.30 pm	Leo Loughran.

	Church of St Malachy, Seskinore		
Sunday 21 <sup>st</sup> August	10.00 am	Private Intention.	
Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> August	7.30 pm	Private Intention.	
Sunday 28 <sup>th</sup> August	11.30 pm	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 <u>beraghparochial@btinternet.com</u> or put a note through the letterbox.

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

## 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:

- 1 Via Digital TV Saorview 210.
- 2 Download our **free** App "Radio Maria Ireland".
- 3 Streaming on our website <u>www.maria.ie</u>
- 4 Via our "Listen Live Radio" link on our Facebook page.
- 5 Via phone get live radio feed by calling 353 (0) 14373277 (no extra charges apply).

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 <u>www.beraghparish.com</u> for the new link or go to <u>www.churchmedia.tv</u>.

## 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