

Parishes of Newry & Saval

Sunday 23rd March 2025
The Third Sunday of Lent

In today's gospel reading we are brought up against the fathomless problem of evil. Is there any answer to it? We are lost for words when tragedy strikes at us – or near us. We use a lot of words, certainly, but we know that they all fall short. In that way it is similar to the dark mystery of God. On an ordinary day we can say bad things about God and about suffering and evil. But when we are touched by any of these we have to fall silent. Then the only word we have is the one word that expresses God and humanity to the full extent that they can be expressed in our flesh: Jesus, the Word made flesh. All the puffs of air that we call words are insubstantial beside him. He is present to us whether we are awake or asleep, whether speaking or silent, whether full of joy or full of pain.

The 13th-century mystic, Bl. Angela of Foligno, had a deep experience of God, and when her confessor asked her to tell him about it, she said, "Father, if you experienced what I experienced and then you had to stand in the pulpit to preach, you could only say to the people, 'My friends, go with God's blessing, because today I can say nothing to you about God.'"

This could be a remedy for the excessive fluency we have when we speak about God. The word comes tripping off our tongue as if it there were nothing mysterious about it at all. It was not so in the beginning. In the Old Testament God revealed his name to Moses: it was Yahweh. "That will be my name forever, and by this name they shall call upon me for all generations to come." The Jews regarded this name as so holy that it should never be pronounced. In Hebrew, vowels are not written - only consonants. So the name was something like YWH. When they came to this name in the Scriptures they said 'Adonai' instead (Lord). As time went by and no one had ever heard the word pronounced, no one knew any longer how it was meant to be pronounced. (Later, some people began to put the vowels of 'Adonai' with the consonants of YWH, and it yielded – more or less – the artificial name 'Jehovah'.)

It is somehow a wonderful thing to have a name for God that must never be pronounced. We Christians don't talk like that, but in fact we say something that is even more radical. For us it is not that there is some taboo word that must never be uttered, but that all words fall short of the mark. Use any words you like, we say, or as many as you like, but know that when you have said them all you have said nothing. This is something that is not stated clearly or often enough. So that you will be reassured that this is not some kind of trendy agnosticism, here are some brief extracts from the writings of St Thomas Aquinas (+1274) on this subject.

"God is ultimately known as unknown, because then the mind knows God most perfectly when it knows that his essence is above all that can be known in this life of wayfaring."

"Whatever is comprehended by a finite being [that is, us] is itself finite."

"God is honoured by silence, not because we may say or know nothing about him, but because we know that we are unable to comprehend him."

"Neither Christian nor pagan knows the nature of God as he is in himself."

"We only know God truly when we believe that he is above all that human beings can think about God."

God is a dark mystery. But isn't God light? "God is light and in him there is no darkness at all" (1 John 1:5). Yes, but excess of light, as St Augustine said, has the same effect as darkness.

Fr Donagh O'Shea, O.P.,
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Saturday (vigil Mass)
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10.30am

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Sunday: 10.30am

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INTRODUCTORY RITES

Congregation stands

**Entrance Hymn or
Entrance Antiphon**

Cf. Ps 24:15-16

All: **My eyes are always on the Lord,
for he rescues my feet from the snare.
Turn to me and have mercy on me,
for I am alone and poor.**

GREETING

Priest: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All: **Amen**

Priest: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

All: **And with your spirit.**

PENITENTIAL ACT

Priest: Brothers and sisters, let us acknowledge our sins, and so prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries.

Priest: Lord Jesus, you came to reconcile us to one another and to the Father:
Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

Priest: Lord Jesus, you heal the wounds of sin and division:
Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**

Priest: Lord Jesus, you intercede for us with your Father:
Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

Priest: May almighty God have mercy on us,
forgive us our sins,
and bring us to everlasting life.

All: **Amen**

THE COLLECT

Priest: Let us pray.

Pause for silent prayer

Priest: O God, author of every mercy and of all goodness, who in fasting, prayer and almsgiving have shown us a remedy for sin, look graciously on this confession of our lowliness, that we, who are bowed down by our conscience, may always be lifted up by your mercy. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

All: **Amen.**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Congregation Sits

FIRST READING

A reading from the book of Exodus

3:1-8. 13-15

Moses was looking after the flock of Jethro, his father-in-law, priest of Midian. He led his flock to the far side of the wilderness and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. There the angel of the Lord appeared to him in the shape of a flame of fire, coming from the middle of a bush. Moses looked; there was the bush blazing but it was not being burnt up. 'I must go and look at this strange sight,' Moses said 'and see why the

bush is not burnt.' Now the Lord saw him go forward to look, and God called to him from the middle of the bush. 'Moses, Moses!' he said. 'Here I am' he answered. 'Come no nearer' he said. 'Take off your shoes, for the place on which you stand is holy ground. I am the God of your father,' he said 'the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob.' At this Moses covered his face, afraid to look at God.

And the Lord said, 'I have seen the miserable state of my people in Egypt. I have heard their appeal to be free of their slave-drivers. Yes, I am well aware of their sufferings. I mean to deliver them out of the hands of the Egyptians and bring them up out of that land to a land rich and broad, a land where milk and honey flow.'

Then Moses said to God, 'I am to go, then, to the sons of Israel and say to them, "The God of your fathers has sent me to you." But if they ask me what his name is, what am I to tell them?' And God said to Moses, 'I Am who I Am. This' he added 'is what you must say to the sons of Israel: "The Lord, the God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you." This is my name for all time; by this name I shall be invoked for all generations to come.'

All: The word of the Lord
Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 102:1-4. 6-8, 11 R v 8

(R) The Lord is compassion and love.

1. My soul, give thanks to the Lord,
all my being, bless his holy name.
My soul, give thanks to the Lord
and never forget all his blessings. **(R)**
2. It is he who forgives all your guilt,
who heals every one of your ills,
who redeems your life from the grave,
who crowns you with love and compassion. **(R)**
3. The Lord does deeds of justice,
gives judgement for all who are oppressed.
He made known his ways to Moses
and his deeds to Israel's sons. **(R)**
4. The Lord is compassion and love,
slow to anger and rich in mercy.
For as the heavens are high above the earth
so strong is his love for those who fear him. **(R)**

SECOND READING

A reading from first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians

10:1-6. 10-12

I want to remind you, brothers, how our fathers were all guided by a cloud above them and how they all passed through the sea. They were all baptised into Moses in this cloud and in this sea; all ate the same spiritual food and all drank the same spiritual drink, since they all drank from the spiritual rock that followed them as they went, and that rock was Christ. In spite of this, most of them failed to please God and their corpses littered the desert.

These things all happened as warnings for us, not to have the wicked lusts for forbidden things that they had. You must never complain: some of them did, and they were killed by the Destroyer.

All this happened to them as a warning and it was written down to be a lesson for us who are living at the end of the age. The man who thinks he is safe must be careful that he does not fall.

All: The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Congregation stands

ACCLAMATION

Mt 4:17

All: Glory to you, O Christ, you are the Word of God!
Repent, says the Lord,
for the kingdom of heaven is close at hand.
Glory to you, O Christ, you are the Word of God!

GOSPEL

Priest: The Lord be with you.

All: And with your spirit.

Priest: A reading from the holy
Gospel according to Luke

13:1-9

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

Some people arrived and told Jesus about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with that of their sacrifices. At this he said to them, 'Do you suppose these Galileans who suffered like that were greater sinners than any other Galileans? They were not, I tell you. No; but unless you repent you will all perish as they did. Or those eighteen on whom the tower at Siloam fell and killed them? Do you suppose that they were more guilty than all the other people living in Jerusalem? They were not, I tell you. No; but unless you repent you will all perish as they did.'

He told this parable: 'A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard and he came looking for fruit on it but found none. He said to the man who looked after the vineyard, "Look here, for three years now I have been coming to look for fruit on this fig tree and finding none. Cut it down: why should it be taking up the ground?" "Sir," the man replied "leave it one more year and give me time to dig round it and manure it: it may bear fruit next year; if not, then you can cut it down."

The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

Congregation sits

HOMILY

Congregation stands

THE CREED

All: I believe in one God,
the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made, consubstantial with the
Father; through him all things were made.
For us men and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,

(bow your head up to the words 'and became man')

and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin
Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius
Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose
again on the third day
in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead
and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of
life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is adored and
glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic
Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness
of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of
the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

Congregation sits

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Offertory Procession

*The gifts of bread and wine which will become the Lord's body
and blood are brought to the altar.*

The celebrant raises the host on the paten saying:

Priest: Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation,
for through your goodness we have received
the bread we offer you:
fruit of the earth and work of human hands,
it will become for us the bread of life.

All: Blessed be God for ever.

*The celebrant pours wine and a little water into the
chalice, saying quietly:*

Priest: By the mystery of this water and wine
may we come to share in the divinity of Christ
who humbled himself to share in our humanity.

*The celebrant then raises the chalice above the
altar and says:*

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation,
for through your goodness we have received
the wine we offer you:
fruit of the vine and work of human hands,
it will become our spiritual drink.

All: Blessed be God for ever.

Bowing, the celebrant says quietly:

Priest: With humble spirit and contrite heart
may we be accepted by you, O Lord,
and may our sacrifice in your sight this day
be pleasing to you, Lord God.

Then the celebrant washes his hands, saying quietly:

Wash me, O Lord, from my iniquity
and cleanse me from my sin.

Pray, brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and
yours may be acceptable to God,
the almighty Father.

All: May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands
for the praise and glory of his name, for our
good and the good of all his holy Church.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Priest: Be pleased, O Lord, with these sacrificial offerings, and grant that we who beseech pardon for our own sins, may take care to forgive our neighbour. Through Christ our Lord.

All: **Amen**

Congregation stands

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER III

Priest: The Lord be with you.

All: **And with your spirit.**

Priest: Lift up your hearts.

All: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Priest: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: **It is right and just.**

PREFACE (I of Lent)

Priest: It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give you thanks, Lord, holy Father, almighty and eternal God, through Christ our Lord.

For by your gracious gift each year,
your faithful await the sacred paschal feasts
with the joy of minds made pure,
so that, more eagerly intent on prayer
and on the works of charity,
and participating in the mysteries
by which they have been reborn,
they may be led to the fullness of grace
that you bestow on your sons and daughters.

And so, with Angels and Archangels,
with Thrones and Dominions,
and with all the hosts and Powers of heaven,
we sing the hymn of your glory,
as without end we acclaim:

ACCLAMATION

All: **Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

Congregation kneels

Priest: You are indeed Holy, O Lord,
and all you have created
rightly gives you praise,
for through your Son our Lord Jesus Christ,
by the power and working of the Holy Spirit,
you give life to all things and make them holy,
and you never cease to gather a people to yourself,
so that from the rising of the sun to its setting
a pure sacrifice may be offered to your name.

Therefore, O Lord, we humbly implore you:
by the same Spirit graciously make holy
these gifts we have brought to you for
consecration, that they may become the Body
and + Blood of your Son our Lord Jesus Christ,
at whose command we celebrate these mysteries.

For on the night he was betrayed
he himself took bread,
and, giving you thanks, he said the blessing,
broke the bread and gave it to his disciples, saying:

TAKE THIS, ALL OF YOU, AND EAT OF IT,
FOR THIS IS MY BODY
WHICH WILL BE GIVEN UP FOR YOU.

In a similar way, when supper was ended,
he took the chalice
and, giving you thanks, he said the blessing,
and gave the chalice to his disciples, saying:

TAKE THIS, ALL OF YOU, AND DRINK FROM IT,
FOR THIS IS THE CHALICE OF MY BLOOD,
THE BLOOD OF THE NEW AND ETERNAL
COVENANT, WHICH WILL BE POURED OUT FOR
YOU AND FOR MANY FOR THE FORGIVENESS
OF SINS.

DO THIS IN MEMORY OF ME.

Priest: The mystery of faith.
All: **We proclaim your Death, O Lord,
and profess your Resurrection
until you come again.**

Priest: Therefore, O Lord, as we celebrate
the memorial of the saving Passion of your Son,
his wondrous Resurrection and Ascension into
heaven, and as we look forward to his second
coming, we offer you in thanksgiving this holy and
living sacrifice.

Look, we pray, upon the oblation of your Church
and, recognising the sacrificial Victim by whose
death you wished to reconcile us to yourself, grant
that we, who are nourished by the Body and Blood
of your Son and filled with his Holy Spirit, may
become one body, one spirit in Christ.

May he make of us an eternal offering to you,
so that we may obtain an inheritance with your
elect, especially with the most Blessed Virgin Mary,
Mother of God, with blessed Joseph, her spouse,
with your blessed Apostles and glorious
Martyrs with Saint Patrick and with all the Saints,
on whose constant intercession in your presence
we rely for unfailing help.

May this Sacrifice of our reconciliation, we pray, O
Lord, advance the peace and salvation of all the
world. Be pleased to confirm in faith and charity
your pilgrim Church on earth, with your servant
Francis our Pope and N. our Bishop, the Order of
Bishops, all the clergy, and the entire people you
have gained for your own.

Listen graciously to the prayers of this family,
whom you have summoned before you:
in your compassion, O merciful Father,
gather to yourself all your children
scattered throughout the world.
To our departed brothers and sisters
and to all who were pleasing to you
at their passing from this life,
give kind admittance to your kingdom.
There we hope to enjoy for ever the fullness of
your glory through Christ our Lord, through whom
you bestow on the world all that is good.

Priest: Through him, and with him, and in him,
O God, almighty Father,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all glory and honour is yours,
for ever and ever.

All: **Amen.**

Congregation stands

THE COMMUNION RITE

Priest: At the Saviour's command
and formed by divine teaching,
we dare to say:

All: **Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread,
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.**

Priest: Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil,
graciously grant peace in our days,
that, by the help of your mercy,
we may be always free from sin
and safe from all distress,
as we await the blessed hope
and the coming of our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

All: **For the kingdom, the power and the glory
are yours now and for ever.**

Priest: Lord Jesus Christ,
who said to your Apostles:
Peace I leave you, my peace I give you,
look not on our sins,
but on the faith of your Church,
and graciously grant her peace and unity
in accordance with your will.
Who live and reign for ever and ever.

All: **Amen.**

Priest: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

All: **And with your spirit.**

Priest: May this mingling of the Body and Blood of our
Lord Jesus Christ bring eternal life to us who
receive it.

All: **Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the
world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the
world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the
world, grant us peace.**

Congregation kneels

The celebrant says quietly:

Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the living God,
who, by the will of the Father
and the work of the Holy Spirit,
through your Death gave life to the world,
free me by this, your most holy Body and Blood,
from all my sins and from every evil;
keep me always faithful to your commandments,
and never let me be parted from you.

INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

Priest: Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes
away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called
to the supper of the Lamb.

All: **Lord, I am not worthy
that you should enter under my roof,
but only say the word
and my soul shall be healed.**

Priest: May the Body of Christ
keep me safe for eternal life.

Priest: May the Blood of Christ
keep me safe for eternal life.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Cf. Ps 83:4-5

All: **The sparrow finds a home,
and the swallow a nest for her young:
by your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God.
Blessed are they who dwell in your house,
for ever singing your praise.**

Purifying the chalice the celebrant says quietly:

What has passed our lips as food, O Lord,
may we possess in purity of heart,
that what has been given to us in time
may be our healing for eternity.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Congregation kneels

Priest: Let us pray.
As we receive the pledge
of things yet hidden in heaven
and are nourished while still on earth
with the Bread that comes from on high,
we humbly entreat you, O Lord,
that what is being brought about in us in mystery
may come to true completion.
Through Christ our Lord.

All: **Amen**

THE CONCLUDING RITES

Priest: The Lord be with you.

All: **And with your spirit.**

PRAYER OVER THE PEOPLE

Priest: Direct, O Lord, we pray, the hearts of your faithful,
and in your kindness grant your servants this grace:
that, abiding in the love of you and their neighbour,
they may fulfil the whole of your commands.
Through Christ our Lord.

All: **Amen**

Priest: May almighty God bless you,
the Father, and the Son + and the Holy Spirit

All: **Amen**

Then the celebrant, with hands joined and facing the people, says:

Priest: Go and announce the Gospel of the Lord

All: **Thanks be to God.**

MESSAGE FROM THE ADMINISTRATOR

Tyrants, fallen towers, and tragedy intensify the preciousness of life and bring greater awareness to what we are doing with our lives. They intensify the value of relationships and invite us to consider how we are treating creation and one another. They intensify the meaning of this moment and remind us that nothing should be wasted or taken for granted. They intensify the urgency and need to redeem the past and open our eyes and hearts to a new and better way, to the possibility of the impossible. They intensify the need to look at ourselves and our world with new eyes, to see each other in new ways, and to gain clarity about what really matters and how we want to live.

How is usually a better question than why. How opens the way, why narrows the way. How tends toward the future, why tends toward the past. How is imaginative, why is definitive. How do we find our place amid uncertainty and turmoil? How do we not lose ourselves in the midst of conflict and violence? How do we sharpen our vision to see more clearly? How do we keep our hearts soft and keep hope? How do we live amidst death?

'Repent'. That's Jesus' answer to the how question, and he says it twice in the Gospel this weekend. 'Unless you repent, you will all perish just as they did'.

Listen to what he says: 'Do you think that because these Galileans suffered in this way, they were worse sinners than all other Galileans? No, I tell you'. 'Or those eighteen who were killed when the tower of Siloam fell on them – do you think they were worse offenders than all the others living in Jerusalem? No, I tell you'. 'But unless you repent, you will all parish just as they did'. He's not offering a cause and effect explanation, He's offering a choice between life and death. And that choice is always before us.

Canon Francis Brown

Jubilee Year of Hope Events Calendar 2025 in the Cathedral of Ss. Patrick & Colman

5th April ~ Visiting speaker Martina Purdy and she will speak on the theme of Hope at the 6.00pm Mass in the Cathedral.

11th April ~ **Service of Reconciliation** – focusing on the Indulgence for the Jubilee Year of Hope and the theme of Reconciliation at 7.30pm.

27th April ~ **Celebration of Carlo Acutis becoming a Saint.**

Mass will be celebrated at 5.30pm in the Cathedral celebrating the fact that Carlo Acutis has become a Saint, a young man who lived his life in an extraordinary way. The new Saint will be someone to whom the youth can relate.

18th May ~ **Family Mass**, followed by the blessing of the Grotto in the Cathedral Garden and a Family Picnic. We express our gratitude to the family who donated this beautiful grotto and to the gardening committee who look after the garden so well.

22nd June ~ **Corpus Christi Procession at 3.00pm.** This year the procession will begin in St. Catherine's Church and make its way to the Cathedral for the Benediction.

29th June ~ **Mass Rock Commemoration at 3.00pm.** The Mass Rock is in a beautiful setting in Ballyholland. It is in a secluded setting, giving an appreciation of the hardship our forbearers endured to attend their weekly Mass, risking their lives.

6th July ~ **Mass for Our Communities Together** – bringing together all communities in the Diocese at 7.30pm.

We appreciate the different communities that make up our parish / diocese and discuss and acknowledge the richness and diversity.

15th August ~ **Procession on the Feast of the Assumption at 7.30pm.** Mass will be celebrated in the Cathedral, followed by a procession to the Grotto in the Cathedral Garden.

14th September ~ **Retreat on the theme of Hope.**

7th October ~ **International Rosary** – "The Rosary of Hope" at 7.30pm – the decades of the Rosary will be recited in various languages.

20th November – **Special Mass for all bereaved people in the parish** – an additional Mass for all bereaved persons. We acknowledge how difficult bereavement can be for people.

8th December ~ **Feast of the Immaculate Conception.** Mass for all those who work/serve in the Diocese at 7.30pm, showing appreciation for all the good work that is taking place, in the parish and in the diocese.

Knights of St. Columbanus CK10, Newry & Armagh

Annual Pilgrimage to Knock on Sunday 25th May. A bus will leave Newry Parish Centre, The Mall, at 7.00am via Armagh with one stop in Belcoo. Bus returns via Belcoo on return journey. Cost £25 per person. Booking forms available from Newry Parish Office. Closing date for applications is Monday 19th May at 4.00pm.

Lourdes Pilgrimage - 18- to 30-year-olds - an opportunity to experience Lourdes for yourself, the prayer, music, faith of others and the craic, plus work with the Pilgrims of Dromore Diocese, help with those who assistance, help with liturgies and spend time with the pilgrims. 8th to 13 June. To secure flights we require names and deposits asap - by Friday 21st or at the latest, Wednesday 26th March- £150 each. For more information e-mail youthdirector@dromorediocese.org or phone 02830833898

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To prepare for the 2026 National Synodal Assembly for Ireland, the Diocese of Dromore invites you to attend one of two consultation evenings to reflect on the Universal Synod themes and set priorities for action.

Newry Parish Centre – 2nd April 2025 at 7pm or Lurgan Parish Centre – 9th April 2025 at 7pm

You can either complete the required pre-reading independently or attend an online orientation event via Zoom on Wednesday, March 26, at 7 PM. Register by 19th March 2025 here: www.dromorediocese.org/events

Dromore Diocesan Annual Pilgrimage to Lourdes - Anyone wishing to travel with The Dromore Pilgrimage from the 9th to 14th June please contact Sean Gorman on 028 302 63739 for a booking form. Price £850 all-inclusive including transfers from both airports.

Anyone wishing to put their name forward for consideration to travel to Lourdes as an assisted pilgrim please contact: Phil Downey 07803264298, Deirdre Quinn 07511692550 or Sean Gorman 028 302 63739.

RECENTLY DECEASED

Myra McAlinden, formerly James Street
Margaret Vint, Peter's Place
John Doran, Pool Lane

NEWRY PARISH COLLECTIONS Sunday 16 March 2025

Weekly	£ 2105.36
Loose Plate	£ 2047.43
Direct Debits	<u>£ 1438.45</u>
	£ 5591.24
Priests' Collection	£ 289.50

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Éireann Rose Quinn, 24 Loughview Park

SAVAL PARISH COLLECTIONS Sunday 16 March 2025

Weekly	£ 928.90
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NEWRY PARISH ANNIVERSARIES FOR OUR DECEASED RELATIVES

Cathedral Anniversaries

Saturday 22 March	6.00pm	Pat & Philomena Keenan, Mourneview, The Commons Patricia (Pat) Devlin, Oaklands Michael Brady, Barrack Street George & Josephine McAteer, & the McAteer & Roe family, Ballyholland Grace Havern, Crieve Road & deceased members of the Havern family Eileen & Arthur Murphy, Cronin Park Tony, Teddy & Rita McAllister, Hennessy Park & Keith, Ron & Grace Holman, Kangaroo Island, Australia
Sunday 23 March	9.00am	Elizabeth & James McCreesh, Damolly Village Sr. Mary Colette Lambe OCarm, Ann, Mary & Bridie Lambe, Carnagh Park
	12noon	Dr. Patrick Lane, Cedar Grove Seamus & Jean Rooney, Church Street Benny & Rosaleen Hughes, High St Noel Murphy, Larchmont Patricia Blackshaw, Markethill
Monday 24 March	10.30am	Liam Hollywood, Beechmount Park
Tuesday 25 March	10.30am	Most Rev. Eugene O'Doherty Harry McAteer, Greenfield Park
Wednesday 26 March	10.30am	Father Thomas Gallery Noel Hadden, Plunkett Street
		Monsignor Arthur Byrne Kathleen & Patrick McCabe, Linenhall Square & deceased members of the McCabe family
Saturday 29 March	10.30am	Mary Dymrna Flinnighin, The Glen
	6.00pm	Joleene Gilleece, Rathfriland Road Gerard & Bridie Goodman, Innisfree Park & Deceased members of the Goodman & McArdle family Kathleen Carr, Greenisland Brigid & Patrick Fitzpatrick, High Street Leontia & Michael O'Gorman, Cowan Street
Sunday 30 March	9.00am	Kathleen & John Smith, Plunkett Steet William Kearney, John Mitchel Street & deceased family members
	12noon	Harry McAllister, Erskine Place Catherine & Bernard Fearon & deceased family members, Cronin Park

St. Mary's Anniversaries

Sunday 23 March	10.30am	Edward, Jim, Elizabeth & Thomas Lavelle, Rostrevor Bridget McCourt, Billy's Road
		Rita & Dan Madden & Maura Rice, Commons School Road Agnes & Justin Phillips, Burren Mary & Pat Fox, Daisy Hill Gardens John Rooney, Glen Hill Mary Dawes & Patrick & Catherine White, O'Neill Avenue Mary Dolores McAteer, Betty's Hill Road, Ballyholland Margaret (Ann) Niblock (née Shields), Ashtree Cottages
Tuesday 25 March	7.30pm	Eileen & Paddy Rafferty, Monaghan Row Bobby Murtagh, Ballyholland Mary Donnelly, Priory Crescent
Sunday 30 March	10.30am	Tom McVey, Drumgullion Avenue & deceased family members Oliver Dunne, Carlingford Park Margaret McAlinden, Warrenpoint Road, Rostrevor

St. Brigid's Anniversaries

Saturday 22 March	7.30pm	Patrick, Margaret, Patsy & John Magill, Cowan Street Margaret Jones, (née Magill) & Kathleen Johnston, Clitheroe, Lancashire Deceased members of the Finnegan family, Crossan Road, Mayobridge Dominic Casey, Mountainview Drive Sean Donohoe, Derrybeg Cottages Maureen & Francis McDonald & Brigid & James Fearon & deceased family members, Davis Street
Friday 28 March	7.30pm	Mary Carroll, Derrybeg Drive Sally & John Pearce, Second Avenue & deceased members of the Pearce & Bagnall families, Newry & Glenn
Saturday 29 March	7.30pm	Eileen & Patrick McCullagh, their son Michael & their daughters Kathlen Lagan & Rita McArdle, Slievegulloon Road & Eamon McArdle & Desmond Fox Ethel & Robert McDonald, Derrybeg Drive Colm & Mary Mathers, Cloverdale Jimmy Rodgers, Derrybeg Drive

Saval Anniversaries

Sunday 23 March	10:30am	Rev. Jim Poland
Sunday 29 March	6.00pm	Thomas & Josephine Redmond
Sunday 30 March	10.30am	Billy & Bernadette Lennon

St. Catherine's Anniversaries

Saturday 22 March	7.30pm	Paddy, Veronica & Kevin McDonald May & P J Fegan Patrick & Josephine Coyle
		Michael & Nellie Clarke & Hollywood Family Noel Keenan Pat & Kathleen Kenna
Sunday 23 March	11.00am	Daniel & Vera Doran Paddy McDonald, Vera McDonald & Kevin McDonald Tom Grant
	12.30pm	Eddie & Rose Ann Lynch Elizabeth (Lily) McGrath Laurence Craven
Monday 24 March	7.30pm	Benefactors of the Church & Priory Felix, Elizabeth & Gerald Fegan Billy & Eileen McCaul Alice Martin & the Martin Family Des & Leah McCaul
Tuesday 25 March	11.00am	Pat & Mary Nealon & deceased family members
	11.00am	Josephine Byrne
Wednesday 26 March	7.30pm	Mary Mason (M.M) James O'Neill
Thursday 27 March	11.00am	Eileen, Pat, Brian & Kathleen Faulkner
	11.00am	May & Conn McBarron
Friday 28 March	7.30pm	Eugene Markey
	11.00am	Edmund & Linda Carragher Billy McCabe Philomena & Martin O'Neill
		Robert (Bobby) Kerwick
	7.30pm	Geraldine Maguire
Saturday 29 March	7.30pm	Gerry McAnuff (M.M) William Brendan Torley (M.M) Michael Clarke
		Brendan & Christina (Teenie) Carroll Lila McCormack Louis Quinn
		Pauline & Frank McConville
Sunday 30 March	9.30am	Joseph Dougan & deceased family members
	11.00am	Bridget Heaney (M.M) Martin Heaney Alice McKay Michael McElherron
	12.30pm	Owen Cromie Mary Donaghy & The McDonald Family

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