

# Parishes of Newry & Saval

Sunday 21st September 2025  
The Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Everyone has trouble with this parable. Depending on their own general attitude, commentators call it 'difficult', or 'puzzling', or 'messy and morally ambiguous'.... The ancient commentators had trouble with it too. They wriggled as best they could. "When the owner praised the unjust steward it wasn't praise in a real sense," said St Augustine, "it was praise in a diminished sense." And by moralising on each verse individually they generally managed to overlook the story as a whole. Even the earliest interpretations of the parable, reflected in the gospel itself, seem strained. There are three or four of them in this passage, not just one as you would expect; and some of them are only loosely attached to the story. It is as if people didn't quite know what to do with this parable.

All the characters in the story are rather shady; there is not a single shining light. In Palestine, debts were often paid in kind, not in money; so this story is more realistic than it sounds to us. The steward is an embezzler, and the debtors were quite happy to co-operate in his embezzlement. Even the owner seems to be a rascal; instead of being shocked, he admired the cleverness of the embezzler and praised him for what he had done.

What are we to make of it?

Someone once said that there are two kinds of people in the world: those who think that there are only two kinds of people in the world, and those who don't! He added that many people see the world as a western movie in which all the good guys wear white hats and all the bad guys wear black hats. They always count themselves among the good people, of course, and they think they are cozying up to God and Jesus. Almost any page of the gospels would show them that Jesus was not on the side of the 'good' people of his day. He was not on any side. And quite a few of the 'good' people you meet today, had they been contemporaries of Jesus, would have been among the crowd shouting, "Crucify him!" He was not a respectable person.

The unquestioned assumption at the time was that God loved virtuous people and hated sinners. Sinners were God's enemies, and therefore enemies of all virtuous people. The whole religious system, with its hierarchy and its laws, was built around this. By the way he consorted with sinners Jesus was not just introducing new ideas but toppling the system, and he paid the price for it.

"Love your enemies," he said. To the religious authorities this meant, "Love God's enemies." How could you love someone if you saw no redeeming features in them? He saw goodness in foreigners, pagans, sinners of every kind. This was heresy. But he consorted with sinners in real life, so why should he not fill this parable with them? He never implied that a sinner was not a sinner; it was not in his nature to gloss over anything. "Go and sin no more" (John 8:11). But no disciple of his can ever claim that he or she has nothing to learn from sinners and 'non-people'.

A master had hundreds of disciples. All of them prayed at the appropriate time - except one, who was a drunkard. When he was about to die, the master called the drunkard to his side, and passed on to him all of his deepest teaching. The other disciples were dismayed, and complained bitterly. The master said, "I had to pass on my wisdom to a man I knew well. The rest of you appear to be virtuous, but you only conceal your vanity, your pride and your intolerance. So I chose the only disciple whose defects I could see."

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Hill Street**  
Weekend Mass Times  
Saturday (vigil Mass)  
6.00pm  
Sunday: 9.00am,  
12noon & 5.30pm  
Weekday Mass Times  
Monday – Saturday  
10.30am

**St. Brigid's Church,  
Rooney's Meadow**  
Weekend Mass Times  
Saturday Evening (vigil  
Mass) 7.30pm  
Friday: 7.30pm

**St. Colman's Shinn**  
Saturday: 6.00pm

**St. Mary's Church,  
Chapel Street**  
Tuesday: 7.30pm  
Sunday: 10.30am

**St. Joseph's Sheeptown**  
Wednesday: 7.30pm  
Sunday: 10.30am

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## INTRODUCTORY RITES

*Congregation stands*

**Entrance Hymn or  
Entrance Antiphon**

**All:** I am the salvation of the people, says the Lord.  
Should they cry to me in any distress,  
I will hear them, and I will be their Lord for ever.

## 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:** Have mercy on us, O Lord.

**All:** For we have sinned against you.

**Priest:** Show us, O Lord, your mercy.

**All:** And grant us your salvation.

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

**All:** Amen

Lord, have mercy.  
Christ, have mercy.  
Lord, have mercy.

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Christ, have mercy.  
Lord, have mercy.

## GLORIA

**All:** Glory to God in the highest,  
and on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise you, we bless you,  
we adore you, we glorify you,  
we give you thanks for your great glory,  
Lord God, heavenly King,  
O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,  
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
you take away the sins of the world,  
have mercy on us;  
you take away the sins of the world,  
receive our prayer;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father,  
have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the  
Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the  
Father. Amen.

## THE COLLECT

**Priest:** Let us pray.

*Pause for silent prayer*

**Priest:** O God, who founded all the commands of your  
sacred Law upon love of you and of our neighbour,

grant that, by keeping your precepts,  
we may merit to attain eternal life.  
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 prophet Amos

8:4-7

Listen to this, you who trample on the needy  
and try to suppress the poor people of the country,  
you who say, 'When will New Moon be over  
so that we can sell our corn,  
and sabbath, so that we can market our wheat?  
Then by lowering the bushel, raising the shekel,  
by swindling and tampering with the scales,  
we can buy up the poor for money,  
and the needy for a pair of sandals,  
and get a price even for the sweepings of the wheat.'  
The Lord swears it by the pride of Jacob,  
'Never will I forget a single thing you have done.'

The word of the Lord

**All:** Thanks be to God.

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 112:1-2. 4-8. R cf. vv.1. 7

**(R) Praise the Lord, who raises the poor.**

1. Praise, O servants of the Lord,  
praise the name of the Lord!  
May the name of the Lord be blessed  
both now and for evermore! **(R)**
2. High above all nations is the Lord,  
above the heavens his glory.  
Who is like the Lord, our God,  
who has risen on high to his throne  
yet stoops from the heights to look down,  
to look down upon heaven and earth? **(R)**
3. From the dust he lifts up the lowly,  
from the dungheap he raises the poor  
to set him in the company of princes,  
yes, with the princes of his people. **(R)**

### SECOND READING

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to Timothy

2:1-8

My advice is that, first of all, there should be prayers offered  
for everyone – petitions, intercessions and thanksgiving –  
and especially for kings and others in authority, so that we  
may be able to live religious and reverent lives in peace and  
quiet. To do this is right, and will please God our saviour: he  
wants everyone to be saved and reach full knowledge of  
the truth. For there is only one God, and there is only one  
mediator between God and mankind, himself a man, Christ  
Jesus, who sacrificed himself as a ransom for them all. He is  
the evidence of this, sent at the appointed time, and I have  
been named a herald and apostle of it and – I am telling the  
truth and no lie – a teacher of the faith and the truth to the  
pagans.

In every place, then, I want the men to lift their  
hands up reverently in prayer, with no anger or argument.

The word of the Lord.

**All:** Thanks be to God.

*Congregation stands*

## ACCLAMATION

**All:** Alleluia, alleluia!  
Open our heart, O Lord,  
to accept the words of your Son.  
Alleluia!

## GOSPEL

**Priest:** The Lord be with you.

**All:** And with your spirit.

**Priest:** A reading from the holy  
Gospel according to Luke

16:1-13

**All:** Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus said to his disciples, 'There was a rich man and he had a steward who was denounced to him for being wasteful with his property. He called for the man and said, "What is this I hear about you? Draw me up an account of your stewardship because you are not to be my steward any longer." Then the steward said to himself, "Now that my master is taking the stewardship from me, what am I to do? Dig? I am not strong enough. Go begging? I should be too ashamed. Ah, I know what I will do to make sure that when I am dismissed from office there will be some to welcome me into their homes."

'Then he called his master's debtors one by one. To the first he said, "How much do you owe my master?" "One hundred measures of oil" was the reply. The steward said, "Here, take your bond; sit down straight away and write fifty." To another he said, "And you, sir, how much do you owe?" "One hundred measures of wheat" was the reply. The steward said, "Here, take your bond and write eighty."

'The master praised the dishonest steward for his astuteness. For the children of this world are more astute in dealing with their own kind than are the children of light.

'And so I tell you this: use money, tainted as it is, to win you friends, and thus make sure that when it fails you, they will welcome you into tents of eternity. The man who can be trusted in little things can be trusted in great; the man who is dishonest in little things will be dishonest in great. If then you cannot be trusted with money, that tainted thing, who will trust you with genuine riches? And if you cannot be trusted with what is not yours, who will give you what is your very own?

'No servant can be the slave of two masters: he will either hate the first and love the second, or treat the first with respect and the second with scorn. You cannot be the slave both of God and of money.'

The Gospel of the Lord.  
**All:** Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

*Congregation sits*

## HOMILY

*Congregation stand*

## 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:** Receive with favour, O Lord, we pray,  
the offerings of your people,  
that what they profess with devotion and faith  
may be theirs through these heavenly mysteries.  
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 (VI of Ordinary Time)

**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.

For in you we live and move and have our being,  
and while in this body we not only experience the  
daily effects of your care, but even now possess the  
pledge of life eternal.

For, having received the first fruits of the Spirit,  
through whom you raised up Jesus from the dead,  
we hope for an everlasting share in the  
Paschal Mystery.

And so, with all the Angels, we praise you,  
as in joyful celebration 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: My Lord and my God**

**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  
Leo 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:*

May the receiving of your Body and Blood,  
Lord Jesus Christ,  
not bring me to judgment and condemnation,  
but through your loving mercy  
be for me protection in mind and body  
and a healing remedy.

## 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

Ps. 118:4-5

**All:** **You have laid down your precepts to be carefully  
kept; may my ways be firm in keeping your statutes.**

*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.  
Graciously raise up, O Lord,  
those you renew with this Sacrament,  
that we may come to possess your redemption  
both in mystery and in the manner of our life.  
Through Christ our Lord.

**All:** **Amen**

## THE CONCLUDING RITES

**Priest:** The Lord be with you.

**All:** **And with your spirit.**

**Priest:** May the peace of God,  
which surpasses all understanding,  
keep your hearts and minds  
in the knowledge and love of God,  
and of his Son, our Lord Jesus Christ.

**All:** **Amen**

**Priest:** And may the blessing of almighty God,  
the Father, and the Son, + and the Holy Spirit,  
come down on you and remain with you for ever.

**All:** **Amen**

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

**Priest:** Go forth, the Mass is ended.

**All:** **Thanks be to God.**

## MESSAGE FROM THE ADMINISTRATOR

How can a bad person possibly give good example? Jesus obviously thought that the example of a rascal would be a perfect illustration for a spiritual lesson about the Kingdom of God. What is the point of Jesus' parable? The dishonest steward is commended for his shrewdness. The original meaning of 'shrewdness' is 'foresight'. A shrewd person grasps a critical situation with resolution and foresight. Jesus is concerned here with something more critical than a financial crisis. His concern is that we avert spiritual crisis through the exercise of faith and foresight. If Christians would only expend as much foresight and energy to spiritual matters which have eternal consequences as much as they do to earthly matters which have temporal consequences, then they would be truly better off, both in his life and in the age to come.

Ambrose, a 4th century bishop said; The bosoms of the poor, the houses of the widows, the mouths of children are the barns which last forever. True wealth consists not in what we keep but in what we give away. Possessions are a great responsibility. The Lord expects us to use them honestly and responsibly and to put them at his service and the service of others. We are God's servants and all that we have belongs to him. He expects us to make a good return on what he gives us.

God loves generosity and he gives liberally to those who share his gifts with others. The Pharisees, however, had no room for God or others in their hearts. The Gospel says they were lovers of money. Love of money and wealth crowd out love of God and love of neighbour. Jesus makes clear that our hearts must either be possessed by God's love or our hearts will be possessed by the love of something else. What does your heart most treasure?

Canon Francis Brown

## DROMORE DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES - 15TH – 20TH MAY 2026

## NEWRY PARISH SACRAMENTS DATES 2026

SCHOOL	CONFIRMATION			FIRST HOLY COMMUNION			FIRST CONFESSION		
	DATE	TIME	CHURCH	DATE	TIME	CHURCH	DATE	TIME	CHURCH
Ballyholland P.S.	Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> April	6.00pm	St. Mary's	Saturday 16 <sup>th</sup> May	11.30am	St. Mary's	Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> January	6.00pm	St. Mary's
Bunscoil an Iúir	Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> April	6.00pm	St. Mary's	Saturday 25 <sup>th</sup> April	11.30am	St. Mary's	Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> January	11.00am	Bunscoil
St. Clare's Abbey PS	Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> May	6.00pm	Cathedral	Saturday 9 <sup>th</sup> May	11.30am	Cathedral	Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> December	11.00am	St. Mary's
St. Colman's P S Sheeptown	Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> May	6.00pm	St. Colman's Shinn	Saturday 9 <sup>th</sup> May	11.30am	St. Colman's Shinn	Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> February	11.00am	St. Joseph's
St. Joseph's Convent PS	Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> May	6.00pm	St. Brigid's	Saturday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May	11.30am	St. Brigid's	Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> November	7.00pm	St. Brigid's
St. Patrick's PS	Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> April	11.00am	St. Brigid's	Saturday 25 <sup>th</sup> April	11.30am	St. Brigid's	Wednesday 28 <sup>th</sup> January	11.00am	St. Brigid's
St. Ronan's PS	Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> April	11.00am	St. Brigid's	Saturday 9 <sup>th</sup> May	11.30am	St. Brigid's	Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> December	11.00am	St. Brigid's
Windsor Hill PS	Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> April	11.00am	St. Brigid's	Saturday 25 <sup>th</sup> April	11.30am	St. Brigid's	Wednesday 28 <sup>th</sup> January	11.00am	St. Brigid's

## RECENTLY DECEASED

Charlie Carnegie, Monaghan Row  
Gerard Bradley, Cherrywood Grove  
Mary Pascual Larkin, Ibiza, formerly High Street  
Donal Donald, Shinn Road  
Patrick McLennon, Mourneview Park

## Cleaning of the Cathedral

Volunteers are required to assist with the cleaning of the Cathedral on Saturday 27th September after the 10.30am Mass. Please bring your own cleaning materials, i.e. mop, bucket, cloths, brush, washing up liquid etc. Hot water will be provided. Some men will be needed to help with lifting up the kneelers to facilitate floor washing. If enough people come it will take 1 – 1 1/2 hours. Many thanks in anticipation for your assistance.

## RECENTLY BAPTISED

Zendaya Melody Morrison Murphy, 28 Springhill Drive.  
Gracie Bea King 35 Knockdarragh  
Croia Rose Delahunt, 11 Ardmore Heights  
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## Ordinations

## Cathedral 28th September – 3.00pm

On Sunday 28th September in the Cathedral of Ss. Patrick & Colman, Archbishop Eamon Martin will ordain five men as Permanent Deacons. Four of the men will serve in the Diocese of Dromore, one in the Archdiocese of Armagh. Seán Farrell from the Parish of Tullylish, Patrick Gallagher from the Parish of Craigavon, Daniel McNulty from the Parish of Newry and Pearse Thornbury from the Parish of St. Peter's Lurgan will be ordained for the Diocese of Dromore and Brendan McKernan from the Parish of Derrynoose, Keady, will be ordained for the Archdiocese of Armagh. We look forward to these men being ordained and for their help in spreading the Good News.

**Rosary, Novena Prayer & Benediction by candlelight** with the Holy Relic of St. Padre Pio on Tuesday 23rd September (Feast Day) at 7.00pm, Padre Pio Shrine, Mass Rock, Ballyholland

**Pilgrimage to Knockshrine** – 6th and 7th December - We welcome parents young adults and others to join us as we prepare for Christmas. B & B and evening meal, morning tea/coffee on route and dinner on the way home on Sunday at the Killyhevlin Hotel for £160 - only 40 places – book asap – need names by Sept 30th with deposit of £50. Email youthdirector@dromorediocese.org or phone 02830833898

NEWRY PARISH ANNIVERSARIES FOR OUR DECEASED RELATIVES

Cathedral Anniversaries

Saturday 20 September	6.00pm	Carol Treanor, Fern Court (M.M) Ethel Fitzpatrick & deceased family members, Carrick Ard   Cecilia Lacey, Newry   Annie Brady, Davis Street
Sunday 21 September	9.00am 12 noon	Roisin McKee, Drumgullion Avenue   Martin & Rita McKeown, Main Avenue, Derrybeg
Tuesday 23 September	5.30pm 10.30am	Patsy Rogan, The Manse & deceased members of the Rogan Family, Magennis Street
Saturday 27 September	10.30am 6.00pm	Father James Boyd   Kevin Murphy & deceased family members, Blaney Crescent Dympna Hughes, Blaney Crescent   Marie O’Gorman, North Street Desmond Loughran, Greenfield Park Esther Gammell, Rathkeele, Co. Limerick
Sunday 28 September	9.00am 12 noon	Jackie Rafferty, Loughview Park & Sarah Herdman, Belfast <b>Frank Donald, formerly Derrylecka (M.M)</b>   John McMillan, Clanrye Fold Teresa & Peter McAteer & deceased members of the Ward Family, Crieve Vera Stewart, Hill Street Richard Lundy, Cronin Park   Rose & Gerry McDonald, Bessbrook Brendan Callan, Carrickmacross   Veronica McGauley, Sean O’Neill Park

St. Mary’s Anniversaries

Sunday 21 September	10.30am	Una & P J Boyle, Ashgrove Avenue   Henry Brian Savage, Monaghan Street Bernard & Marguerite McMahon, Toragh Park & Rockfield Heights Eleanor Sweeney, Grinan Road   Jimmy Poland, Derrylecka
Tuesday 23 September	7.30pm	Hugh & Alice Jordan, Carlingford Park   Patrick Brennan, Churchtown, Dublin
Sunday 28 September	10.30am	Peter, Bridie, Paul & Peter (Jnr) McEvoy, St. Colman’s Park <b>Regina Manley, Ashton Heights (M.M.)</b>   Catherine & James Lavelle, Rostrevor Stephen & Eileen Hughes & deceased family members, Carlingford Park Edward Heaney, Chapel Street & Joanne Heaney. The Manse & deceased family Members of Heaney & Cummins Families   Winnie O’Hare, Carnagh Park

St. Brigid’s Anniversaries

Saturday 20 September	7.30pm	Seamus McCracken, Ballinlare Gardens   Oliver Dillon, Violet Hill Avenue Ann Conway, Greenfield Park   Phil & Ethel McCorry, Iveagh Crescent
Friday 26 September	7.30am	James, Mary & Tony McKeivitt, Mountainview Drive   Eddie Browne, The Gardens, Bessbrook   Ann & Chris Teefy
Saturday 27 September	7.30pm	Brendan Toal Burren Margaret & John Craven, Raymond Kelly Park & Annie & John Toman, Chapel Street Patrick Hand, Moninna Park   John Francis Fox, Killeavy Road   Kevin Quinn, Main Ave Derrybeg   James, Rhoda & Kevin Hughes, Clanrye Avenue

Saval Anniversaries

Saturday 20 September	6.00pm	Finbarr, Patrick & Mary Reavey
Sunday 21 September	10.30am	<b>Fr. Francis Morgan (M.M)</b>   Vincent & Mary Dobbin   John & Catherine Canavan Pat & Bridie Sands
Saturday 27 September	6.00pm	Charles Digney
Sunday 28 September	10.30am	Francis Turley   James & Roxanne Turley

St. Catherine’s Anniversaries

Saturday 20 September	11.00am	Mary McShane
Sunday 21 September	8.00am 9.30am 11.00am 12.30pm	Rita & Patrick O’Loughlin Mary & Thomas Ferguson Patrick McManus   Bridie & Willie Dunbar Linda Barry   Benefactors of the Church & Priory   Ann Carroll
Monday 22 September	7.30pm	Kathleen McDermott
Tuesday 23 September	11.00am 7.30pm	Maureen Boden Billy O’Gorman
Wednesday 24 September	11.00am 7.30pm	James Rowntree Ann Rice   Bernadette & Dominic O’Hanlon   Melvin Pinnington
Thursday 25 September	11.00am	Patsy Crossey
Friday 26 September	11.00am 7.30pm	Deceased members of the Dominican Family Joseph & Elizabeth McStay   Alicia & Eddie Gilmore   John Paul, Christy & Agnes McKeivitt   Colin, George, Lily & Carole Haughey   Kathleen Smith   Francie & Elizabeth McArdle
Saturday 27 September	11.00am 7.30pm	Michael & Mary Mallon Frank & Pauline McConville   Jason McClenaghan   Maureen & Michael McGuigan
Sunday 28 September	11.00am 12.30pm	Betty Mynes Benefactors of the Church & Priory

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