

# Parishes of Newry & Saval

Sunday 7th December 2025

The Second Sunday of Advent

The voice of prophecy had been silent for four hundred years. John the Baptist spoke with such fire that people believed God had now broken the long silence. Even many of the Pharisees and Sadducees were convinced, or at least willing to consider it. We are more aware of the Pharisees - they get such a bad press in the New Testament. It must have taken an immense force to lift their heads from their study of the Torah, the Law. The Torah was God's definitive word, according to their belief. But here they were, listening for a new word from God.

God's new prophet did not flatter them. "Brood of vipers!" Pit of snakes! Don't rely on your Scriptures, your past (he told them); God is able to do a new thing.

But in fairness to them, they had put aside their commentaries and come to listen. St Paul had been a Pharisee, and it took the power of God to cast out his old certainties. These seem more amenable. He could have thanked them for coming! But John is a rough diamond, an uncut diamond. He has the hardness, but there is little beauty, and not much light coming through.

Take away the rhetoric and his message is conventional: "Tax collectors came to be baptised, and they asked him, 'Teacher, what should we do?' He said to them, 'Collect no more than the amount prescribed for you.' Soldiers also asked him, 'And we, what should we do?' He said to them, 'Do not extort money from anyone by threats or false accusation, and be satisfied with your wages.'" (Luke 3:12-14).

But there would be another diamond, an Immortal Diamond, and John's greatness was that he pointed to him. "He will baptise you with the Holy Spirit and with fire" - he, the Immortal Diamond formed in the crucible of earth's suffering. With him every mortal sufferer can be immortal diamond, can say with Hopkins: "I am all at once what Christ is, since he was what I am."

Fr Donagh O'Shea, O.P.,  
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## Mass Times

### **The Cathedral of SS. Patrick & Colman, 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

### **St. Catherine's Church, Dominican Priory, Dominic Street**

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## INTRODUCTORY RITES

*Congregation stands***Entrance Hymn or  
Entrance Antiphon****Cf. Is 30:19. 30.**

**All:** O people of Sion, behold,  
the Lord will come to save the nations,  
and the Lord will make the glory of his voice  
heard in the joy of your heart.

## GREETING

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

**All:** Amen

**Priest:** The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
and the love of God,  
and the communion of the Holy Spirit  
be with you all.

**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:** You were sent to heal the contrite of heart:  
Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

**Priest:** You came to call sinners:  
Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**

**Priest:** You are seated at the right hand of the Father to  
intercede for us:  
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:** Almighty and merciful God,  
may no earthly undertaking hinder those  
who set out in haste to meet your Son,  
but may our learning of heavenly wisdom  
gain us admittance to his company.  
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 Isaiah

11:1-10

A shoot springs from the stock of Jesse,  
a scion thrusts from his roots:  
on him the spirit of the Lord rests,  
a spirit of wisdom and insight,  
a spirit of counsel and power,  
a spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the Lord.  
(The fear of the Lord is his breath.)  
He does not judge by appearances,

he gives no verdict on hearsay,  
but judges the wretched with integrity,  
and with equity gives a verdict for the poor of the land.  
His word is a rod that strikes the ruthless;  
his sentences bring death to the wicked.  
Integrity is the loincloth round his waist,  
faithfulness the belt about his hips.

The wolf lives with the lamb,  
the panther lies down with the kid,  
calf and lion cub feed together  
with a little boy to lead them.  
The cow and the bear make friends,  
their young lie down together.  
The lion eats straw like the ox.  
The infant plays over the cobra's hole;  
the young child puts his hand.  
They do not hurt, no harm,  
on all my holy mountain,  
for the country is filled with the knowledge of the Lord  
as the waters swell the sea.  
That day, the root of Jesse  
shall stand as a signal to the peoples.  
It will be sought out by the nations  
and its home will be glorious.

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

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 71:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17. R cf. v.7

**(R)** In his days justice shall flourish  
and peace till the moon fails.

- O God, give your judgement to the king,  
to a king's son your justice,  
that he may judge your people in justice  
and your poor in right judgement. **(R)**
- In his days justice shall flourish  
and peace till the moon fails.  
He shall rule from sea to sea,  
from the Great River to earth's bounds. **(R)**
- For he shall save the poor when they cry  
and the needy who are helpless.  
He will have pity on the weak  
and save the lives of the poor. **(R)**
- May his name be blessed for ever  
and endure like the sun.  
Every tribe shall be blessed in him,  
all nations bless his name. **(R)**

## SECOND READING

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans 15:4-9

Everything that was written long ago in the scriptures was  
meant to teach us something about hope from the  
examples scripture gives of how people who did not give  
up were helped by God. And may he who helps us when  
we refuse to give up, help you all to be tolerant with each  
other, following the example of Christ Jesus, so that united  
in mind and voice you may give glory to the God and  
Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

It can only be to God's glory, then, for you to treat  
each other in the same friendly way as Christ treated you.  
The reason Christ became the servant of circumcised Jews  
was not only so that God could faithfully carry out the  
promises made to the patriarchs, it was also to get the  
pagans to give glory to God for his mercy, as scripture says

in one place: For this I shall praise you among the pagans and sing your name.

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

*Congregation stands*

## ACCLAMATION

**Lk 3:4. 6**

**All:** Alleluia, alleluia!  
Prepare a way for the Lord,  
make his paths straight,  
and all mankind shall see the salvation of God.  
Alleluia!

## GOSPEL

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

**All:** And with your spirit.

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

**3:1-12**

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

In due course John the Baptist appeared; he preached in the wilderness of Judaea and this was his message: 'Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is close at hand.' This was the man the prophet Isaiah spoke of when he said:

A voice cries in the wilderness:  
Prepare a way for the Lord,  
make his paths straight.

This man John wore a garment made of camel-hair with a leather belt round his waist, and his food was locusts and wild honey. Then Jerusalem and all Judaea and the whole Jordan district made their way to him, and as they were baptised by him in the river Jordan they confessed their sins. But when he saw a number of Pharisees and Sadducees coming for baptism he said to them, 'Brood of vipers, who warned you to fly from the retribution that is coming? But if you are repentant, produce the appropriate fruit, and do not presume to tell yourselves, "We have Abraham for our father," because, I tell you, God can raise children for Abraham from these stones. Even now the axe is laid to the roots of the trees, so that any tree which fails to produce good fruit will be cut down and thrown on the fire. I baptise you in water for repentance, but the one who follows me is more powerful than I am, and I am not fit to carry his sandals; he will baptise you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing-fan is in his hand; he will clear his threshing-floor and gather his wheat into the barn; but the chaff he will burn in a fire that will never go out.'

**All:** The Gospel of the Lord.  
**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:** Be pleased, O Lord, with our humble prayers and  
offerings, and, since we have no merits to plead  
our cause, come, we pray, to our rescue  
with the protection of your mercy.  
Through Christ our Lord.

**All:** **Amen**

*Congregation stands*

## EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER II

**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 (Advent I)

**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 he assumed at his first coming  
the lowliness of human flesh,  
and so fulfilled the design you formed long ago,  
and opened for us the way to eternal salvation,  
that, when he comes again in glory and majesty  
and all is at last made manifest,  
we who watch for that day  
may inherit the great promise  
in which now we dare to hope.

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,  
the fount of all holiness.

Make holy, therefore, these gifts, we pray,  
by sending down your Spirit upon them like the  
dewfall, so that they may become for us  
the Body and + Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ.

At the time he was betrayed  
and entered willingly into his Passion,  
he took bread and, giving thanks, broke it,  
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, once more giving thanks,  
he gave it 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:** **Save us, Saviour of the world,  
for by your Cross and Resurrection  
you have set us free.**

**Priest:** Therefore, as we celebrate  
the memorial of his Death and Resurrection,  
we offer you, Lord,  
the Bread of life and the Chalice of salvation,  
giving thanks that you have held us worthy  
to be in your presence and minister to you.

Humbly we pray  
that, partaking of the Body and Blood of Christ,  
we may be gathered into one by the Holy Spirit.

Remember, Lord, your Church,  
spread throughout the world,  
and bring her to the fullness of charity,  
together with Leo our Pope and **N** our Bishop  
and all the clergy.

Remember also our brothers and sisters  
who have fallen asleep in the hope of the  
resurrection, and all who have died in your mercy:  
welcome them into the light of your face.  
Have mercy on us all, we pray,  
that with the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God,  
with blessed Joseph, her spouse,  
with the blessed Apostles,  
and all the Saints who have pleased you  
throughout the ages,  
we may merit to be coheirs to eternal life,  
and may praise and glorify you  
through your Son, Jesus Christ.

**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

Bar 5:5; 4:36

**All:** **Jerusalem, arise and stand upon the heights,  
and behold the joy which comes to you from God.**

### *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.  
Replenished by the food of spiritual nourishment,  
we humbly beseech you, O Lord,  
that, through our partaking in this mystery,  
you may teach us to judge wisely the things of earth  
and hold firm to the things of heaven.  
Through Christ our Lord.

**All:** **Amen**

## THE CONCLUDING RITES

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

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

**Priest:** May the almighty and merciful God,  
by whose grace you have placed your faith  
in the First Coming of his Only Begotten Son  
and yearn for his coming again  
sanctify you by the radiance of Christ's Advent  
and enrich you with his blessing.

**All:** **Amen**

**Priest:** As you run the race of this present life,  
may he make you firm in faith,  
joyful in hope and active in charity.

**All:** **Amen**

**Priest:** So that you, rejoicing now with devotion  
at our Redeemer's coming in the flesh,  
you may be endowed with the rich reward of eternal  
life when he comes again in majesty.

**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 in peace.

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

### MESSAGE FROM THE ADMINISTRATOR

The Greek word for 'repent' (Metanoëo) means to 'change one's mind'. However, given Matthew's emphasis on 'bearing fruit', his idea of 'repentance' probably goes back to the Hebrew 'shuv' – to change one's ways. It involves more than just thinking in a different way. The word 'repent' is really a command, and is in the present tense, which denotes continual or repeated actions, i.e., 'Keep on repenting!'

In repenting we ask God, who has turned towards us, buried us in baptism and raised us to new life, to continue His work of putting us to death. In other words, to repent is to volunteer and ask that the 'death of self' which God began to work in us in baptism continue to this day. The repentant person comes before God saying, 'I can't do it myself, God. Let me die to self so that you can give me new life. You buried me in baptism. Bury me again today. Raise me to a new life'. That is the language of repentance.

Repentance is a daily experience that renews our baptism. The Kingdom of Heaven is at hand. What should be our experience to the coming of heaven? Should it be worship, praise and giving thanks? Ironically, those are good responses, but in Matthew's Gospel, not the ideal ones. Jesus never reprimands people for failing to worship or give thanks in this Gospel but in Luke's Gospel He does rebuke those who have witnessed His mighty works and not repented. For Matthew, the ideal response seems to be repentance. We know from Jesus' teaching in Matthew that people can worship God with their lips even when their deeds demonstrate that their hearts are far from God. Thus, the responsive worship of the crowds is commendable but will be in vain if performed with unrepentant hearts. It is Matthew's warning to the overtly religious of his day, the Pharisees and Sadducees – and perhaps to us in this season of Advent – it is good to want to celebrate and praise but make your priority repentance. Let the coming one change our lives.

Canon Francis Brown

**Mass will be celebrated in the Cathedral every Monday to Friday during Advent at 8.15am.**

#### **The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary Monday 8th December 2025**

Masses are as follows:  
Cathedral: 10.30am St. Mary's 7.30pm

#### **Newry Parish Carol Service**

Newry Parish Carol Service will take place on the 4th Sunday of Advent, the 21st December at 7.30pm in the Cathedral. Please come and let this be the beginning of your celebrations. Archbishop Martin hopes to be in attendance.

**The Knights of St. Columbanus** wish to thank the parishioners of Newry & Saval for their kind donations of £2,810.00. Your generosity will help them continue the good work that they are doing.

#### **St. Vincent de Paul Collection**

A Collection for the St. Vincent de Paul Society will be held on the 13th & 14th December after all Masses in the parish. Please give as generously as you can

**The next Family Mass** will be on Sunday 14th December at 12noon in the Cathedral. This will be led by St. Joseph's Convent Primary School.

#### **Answer a few questions to help restore Newry Cathedral.**

Essential restoration is needed to safeguard our Cathedral's structure, roof and unique interior mosaic. While the parish is applying for National Lottery Funding, the strength of our application depends on the support and voices of our people. Please take a moment to complete our short survey and help preserve this treasured place for generations to come. Complete the survey at the link below or scan the QR code with your phone. <https://newrycathedralparish.org/cathedral200>

#### **A Journey Through Advent**

Join us for a quiet time of prayer and reflection in preparation for the great feast of Christmas. **Each Tuesday from 7.00pm – 8.00pm** in St. Clare's Convent, 12 Ashgrove Avenue, Newry  
**Dates: Tuesday 2, 9, 16 & 23 December**  
**All are warmly welcomed.**

#### **Newry Cathedral Shop - located on The Mall**

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#### **RECENTLY DECEASED**

Deborah Croskery, Castlewellan  
Kieran Finnegan, Crew, formerly Greenfield Park  
Oisín Killen, Barnmeen  
Adrienne O'Hare, Newry, formerly Belfast  
Phyllis Watson, formerly High Street  
Sean Maguire, Ardmaine Gardens

**Rev. Deacon Anthony Moffett** will be ordained a priest on the 11th January 2026 in St. Colman's Church, Dromore at 3.00pm. He will celebrate his First Mass in the Cathedral at 10.30am on Monday 12th January. Keep Deacon Anthony in your prayers.

#### **Survey on Worship in Newry Cathedral Parish**

Canon Brown, the Priests of Newry Cathedral Parish & the Parish Pastoral Council would really like to hear your thoughts and your voice in the survey they have commissioned to help shape the future of worship for people in our parish. Please take a few moments to complete this survey. It can be accessed at: <https://newrycathedralparish.org/worshipsurvey>. The clergy of Newry Cathedral Parish genuinely want to hear your opinions so they can better understand and enrich worship for everyone. The survey will close on 31st December 2025.

**St. Brigid's Knitting & Craft Group** have a weekly Sale of Work at the rear of St. Brigid's Church every Tuesday morning from 9.30am – 12.30pm. We sell a range of children's cardigans and jumpers, large blankets and pram blankets. We also have a collection of ladies and children's hats. All welcome – cash only please.

#### **Novena to St. Carlos Acutis**

Newry Parish is having a Novena to St. Carlos Acutis. It will begin on the 4th October the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi and will conclude on the 12th October 2026, the Feast of St. Carlos Acutis.

**Archbishop Eamon Martin** will celebrate Mass at 12noon in the Cathedral on the 4th January 2026 to close the Holy Year.

#### **RECENTLY BAPTISED**

Croia McCartan, 6 Drumliss Court  
Naoise Lir Boylan, 69 Gantry Lane  
Archie Moore, 21 Lisdarragh  
Tylor Sean Leddy Knox, 18 Glenvale Road -Saval

#### **Saturday 20th December Newry Cathedral NITE FEVER**

2.30pm – 5.30pm Adoration – Prayer, light a candle, confession all in the spirit of preparing for Christmas.

#### **POPE JOHN PAUL II AWARD**

Opportunities for young people – those who are 16/17 years old – Do you volunteer for a charity, your youth club, sports club or something else. Perhaps you help in your Parish. If yes, then you are welcome to sign up to the Pope John Paul II Award. If you are not already a volunteer join us. Signing up to the Award is a great way to become a volunteer, to meet other likeminded people and to make a difference. If you want more information or to sign up please email the Dromore Diocese Youth Director, Frances McNally on [youthdirector@dromorediocese.org](mailto:youthdirector@dromorediocese.org) or phone 028 30833898

NEWRY PARISH ANNIVERSARIES FOR OUR DECEASED RELATIVES

Cathedral Anniversaries

Saturday 6 December	6.00pm	Michael, John & Nellie McAteer, Cronin Park   Bridie Finnegan, Innisfree Park Patrick & Eileen Crinion, Canal Street   Elizabeth Murphy-Hughes, Well Lane Kathleen Savage, Innisfree Park & Patrick Savage (Jnr), Rockfield Heights Paddy & Peggy Carr, Greenisland   Frederick & Mary McDermott, Maura & Joe McDermott Kathleen McDermott, Cedar Grove   Sydney McGovern, O'Neill Avenue
Sunday 7 December	9.00am	Fr. Eric Bouille, South Africa
	12 noon	James McClorey, Kildarragh Close   Paddy Fox, Commons Way & deceased members of the Fox, Commons Way & deceased members of the Fox Family, Boat Street.
		Elizabeth & Joseph McArdle, Fullerton Road & deceased members of the McArdle Family, Monaghan Street   Patrick Smith, Greenlawn, Armagh Rd   Marie Ward, Ashtree Cottages
Monday 8 December	5.30pm	Danny & Phyllis McLoughlin & deceased family members, Ashgrove Park
Wednesday 10 December	10.30am	Alfredo Nepomuceno, Laurel Grove
Friday 12 December	10.30am	Deirdre Patterson, Hillside Villas   Mary Kennedy, O'Neill Avenue
Saturday 13 December	10.30am	Fr. Michael McConville
		Canon Desmond Knowles   Martin, Kathleen & Maura Magill, Violet Hill Avenue & Bridie & Eddie Diamond, Drumgullion Ave   John & Kathleen Higgins, Belfast & Helen & Brian McGeeney, Pat & Bridget Mulholland, Carnbane Gardens
	6.00pm	Susan Worrell, McManus Court & Hilltown   Patrick & Emily Woods, Church Street, Woods Family, Templehill Rd & Walter, Kathleen & Isaac Kay, Daisy Hill Gardens. Frank & Bridie Keeley & Ilish & Ray Gaffney, Maginnis Villas   Mona McAteer, Drumgullion Avenue   Patrick & Elizabeth McGivern, Nuala Larkin, Sr. Rosaleen Kimmins & Maureen Taylor   Deacon Brendan McAllister
Sunday 14 December	9.00am	<b>Brendan Chambers, Cleveland, U.S.A (M.M)   Peter McDonald, Sydney, Australia (M.M)</b>
	12 noon	<b>Rosemarie McShane, Mourneview Park (M.M)   Mary Rose Bannon, Armagh Road</b> <b>Rosaleen Treanor, Greenan Road (M.M)   Jim &amp; Marguerite Keenan, Doreen Keenan,</b> Burford & Graham Burford & deceased family members, John Mitchel Street   Dearbhail Irwin-McQuillan, Balmoral Park   Raymond Price, Ashbrook Mews   Patricia Delahunt, Grinan Road   Stanley Smyth, Glenpatrick Lawns   Siobhan Small (nee Armstrong), Carney Hall

St. Mary's Anniversaries

Sunday 7 December	10.30am	George & Mary Franks, Daisy Hill Gardens   Bridie & Peter Woods, Ashtree Cottages & Deceased family members   Kathleen, Tommy & Leo McArdle, Innisfree Park Marie McAteer, 'Woodview', Billy's Road & Joe & Teresa Cullen, Tandragee & Pat & Annie Devine,   Irene & Eddie Campbell, Oaklands   Bridget & Edward McParland & deceased Family members, Mourneview Park   Felix & Angela Gray, Daragh Park Benny McKeown, Northampton & deceased family members   GERAL Woods, Mountainview Dr Stella Magee, Rathfriland Road
Tuesday 8 December	7.30pm	Andrew & Kathleen McMurray, Mountpleasant & Elizabeth & Mary Curran, John Mitchel St Mary & Robert Loughran & deceased family members, Emmet St   Noel Curran & deceased Members of the Curran Family, Sean O'Neill Park   Mary Kennedy, O'Neill Avenue
Sunday 14 December	10.30am	Jim, Edward, Elizabeth & Thomas Lavelle, Rostrevor   James, Maeve & Tony McGarry & Anita McCourt, Banbridge   Sheila McDonagh, Derrybeg Lane   Seamus, Mary Margaret Jennings, Blaney Crescent & Melinda Jennings, Canada   Poppy & Annie Rooney, Greenwood Drive   Sadie, John & Kieran Jennings, Upper Chapel St   Peter & Mary Rodgers, Kiln Street   Sharon McAteer, O'Neill Avenue

St. Brigid's Anniversaries

Saturday 6 December	7.30pm	Teresa, Gemma & Patrick Murphy, Clanrye Avenue   Pat & Annie Rafferty, Canal Street & Deceased family members   Sean Murtagh, Ballinlare Gardens   Francie Loughran, Third Ave
Saturday 13 December	7.30pm	Eileen Jones, Third Avenue, Derrybeg   Canon Desmond Knowles & Kathleen Knowles, Cranfield   James, Bridget, Seamus & Matthew McGivern, Bessbrook   Patrick Loy, Violet Hill Avenue   Nora & John McMahon

Saval Anniversaries

Sunday 7 December	10.30am	James, Elizabeth, Bridget & Nellie Fearon
Saturday 13 December	6.00pm	The Redmond Family   James & Mary Digney
Sunday 14 December	10.30am	Michael & Agnes Kelly   John & Maureen Digney

St. Catherine's Anniversaries

Saturday 6 December	7.30pm	<b>Niall McCaul (M.M)</b> Phil & Patsy Downey   Rita & Eamon McArdle   Anna Hannaway Jack Hutchinson   Paddy & Nellie McAleavey & deceased family members
Sunday 7 December	9.30am	Clarke & Hughes Families   Patrick Devlin   Josephine & Denis Hagan
	11.00am	The Byrne Family & Kate Rice
		Jim & Rita Moore, Moore & O'Meara Families   Patricia Kavanagh, Tony Kelly, Dave Waller
		Agnes & Matt Kelly   Gerard & Susan Lonergan   Susan Matthews   Sean O'Hanlon
		Mary O'Hale   Des Hughes   Paddy Larkin & deceased members of the Larkin Family   Sheila Campbell
Monday 8 December	12.30pm	Seamus McCormack   Annie Fitzpatrick
	7.30pm	Margaret, Thomaas & Elizabeth McShane, Margaret, Jimmy Hanna & Robert & Brigid Hanna
	11.00am	Calon McGreevy   Deceased members of the Ward Family
	7.30pm	Thomas Nealon & deceased family members
Tuesday 9 December	11.00am	Alfie & Lily Smartt, Bernard & Nuala Smartt, Peter & Una Smartt, Eamon & Nora Farrelly Michael & Cassie Magee   Arthur, Teresa & Margaret Kane   Dan & Susan Ryan & deceased Family members
Wednesday 10 December	7.30am	<b>7.30pm</b> Felix & Martha McDonald
	7.30pm	Patrick, William & Eugene O'Gorman
Thursday 11 December	7.30pm	Ann McLoughlin   Brenda Powell
Friday 12 December	11.00am	Gerald Morgan   Angela McKay
	7.30pm	Michael White   Kathleen Gallagher
		Elizabeth & John McStay   Nellie Raymond   Gervase, Anna & Jimmy Downey & Nashie Rooney Desy Jennings
Saturday 13 December	7.30pm	Kearney & Bannon Families   Maureen Keenan & deceased members of Power & Curran Families Deceased members of the Leneghan & McParland Families
Sunday 14 December	8.00am	James & Margaret McAuliffe
	11.00am	<b>9.30am</b> Fred & Ellen Woods   Margaret, Helen, Kathleen & deceased Catherine & Alexander Andrews Moore   Damian McLoughlin   Sean Torley   Dolores Heaney Tom, Ciaran, Johnny & Rita McKeown   Michael, Margaret, Hugh & Leo Doran   Sean & Mary Rose McDonnell.
		<b>12.30pm</b> Jo-Anne Mallon   Benefactors of the Church & Priory

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