

Parishes of Newry & Saval

Sunday 5th April 2026
Easter Sunday

Echoing an ancient homily, Meister Eckhart said that it was because Mary Magdalene had nothing else to lose that she dared approach the tomb; the apostles had run away because, by implication, they were still trying to save themselves, or trying to save something for themselves. She had lost everything else, he said, "and so she was afraid that if she went away from the grave she would lose the grave as well. For if she had lost the grave she would have nothing left at all." In fact, she lost the grave as well, because it was no longer really a grave: it did not contain the body of Jesus. Yet it was in this state of utter deprivation that the Resurrection took place. It did not take place on the mountain-tops, or on a bright cloud, but in the heart of the grave, the 'degree zero' of human life. It was because Mary Magdalene had the heart to stay by the grave that she became the first bearer of the news of the Resurrection; she was the first Christian preacher.

At first she could not see Jesus anywhere. Why? "Because she kept looking further away than he was," said Eckhart. She kept looking for a dead body, an object; but Jesus was alive and standing beside her. We are at home with objects; they are at arm's length and we can deal with them. We make this kind of knowledge-at-arm's-length the standard of all knowledge. It is all right for dealing with objects, but the Risen Christ is nearer to us than any object. "Why are you seeking the living among the dead?" (Luke 24:5).

Christians through the centuries have focused a lot of reflection on that large stone laid to the mouth of the tomb. When Mary Magdalene went to the tomb she found the stone removed. That large material object – which might appear a convincing objection to faith – was gone; and she was the first witness to this. No tomb on earth can hold the Lord of life. No material stone, however heavy, can imprison him.

But we should not imagine that material stones are the hardest and heaviest things in the world. Who would have guessed that thoughts, which are made of nothing at all, could be heavier and harder than any stone? But experience tells us it is so. We are able to seal our minds and hearts with immovable stones of prejudice, hatred and fear. "To behold the resurrection, the stone must first be rolled away from our hearts," said Peter Chrysologus (5th century).

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. Ps 138:18. 5-6

All: I have risen, and I am with you still, alleluia.
 You have laid your hand upon me, alleluia.
 Too wonderful for me, this knowledge,
 alleluia, alleluia.

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.

All: I confess to almighty God
 and to you, my brothers and sisters,
 that I have greatly sinned,
 in my thoughts and in my words,
 in what I have done and in what I have failed to do,

Striking your breast as you say:

**through my fault, through my fault,
 through my most grievous fault;
 therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin,
 all the Angels and Saints,
 and you, my brothers and sisters,
 to pray for me to the Lord our God.**

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.

**Lord, have mercy.
 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 on this day, through your Only Begotten Son, have conquered death and unlocked for us the path to eternity, grant, we pray, that we who keep the solemnity of the Lord's Resurrection may, through the renewal brought by your Spirit, rise up in the light of 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 Acts of the Apostles

10:34. 37-43

Peter addressed Cornelius and his household: 'You must have heard about the recent happenings in Judaea; about Jesus of Nazareth and how he began in Galilee, after John had been preaching baptism. God had anointed him with the Holy Spirit and with power, and because God was with him, Jesus went about doing good and curing all who had fallen into the power of the devil. Now I, and those with me, can witness to everything he did throughout the countryside of Judaea and in Jerusalem itself: and also to the fact that they killed him by hanging him on a tree, yet three days afterwards God raised him to life and allowed him to be seen, not by the whole people but only by certain witnesses God had chosen beforehand. Now we are those witnesses – we have eaten and drunk with him after his resurrection from the dead – and he has ordered us to proclaim this to his people and to tell them that God has appointed him to judge everyone, alive or dead. It is to him that all the prophets bear this witness: that all who believe in Jesus will have their sins forgiven through his name.'

The word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 117:1-2. 16-17. 22-23. R v.24

**(R) This day was made by the Lord;
 we rejoice and are glad.**

1. Give thanks to the Lord for he is good,
 for his love has no end.
 Let the sons of Israel say:
 'His love has no end.' **(R)**
2. The Lord's right hand has triumphed;
 his right hand raised me up.
 I shall not die, I shall live
 and recount his deeds. **(R)**
3. The stone which the builders rejected
 has become the corner stone.
 This is the work of the Lord,
 a marvel in our eyes. **(R)**

SECOND READING

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Colossians

3:1-4

Since you have been brought back to true life with Christ, you must look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is, sitting at God's right hand. Let your thoughts be on heavenly things, not on the things that are on the earth, because you have died, and now the life you have is hidden with Christ in God. But when Christ is revealed – and he is your life – you too will be revealed in all your glory with him.

The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Congregation stands

SEQUENCE

Christians, to the Paschal Victim offer sacrifice and praise.
 The sheep are ransomed by the Lamb; and Christ,
 the undefiled, hath sinners to his Father reconciled.
 Death with life contended: combat strangely ended!
 Life's own Champion, slain, yet lives to reign.
 Tell us, Mary: say what thou didst see upon the way.
 The tomb the Living did enclose;
 I saw Christ's glory as he rose!
 The angels there attesting;
 shroud with grave-clothes resting.
 Christ, my hope, has risen: he goes before you into Galilee.
 That Christ is truly risen from the dead we know.
 Victorious king, thy mercy show!

ACCLAMATION

1 Cor 5:7-8

All: **Alleluia, alleluia!**
Christ, our Passover, has been sacrificed;
let us celebrate the feast then, in the Lord.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Priest: The Lord be with you.

All: **And with your spirit.**

Priest: A reading from the holy
 Gospel according to John

20: 1-9

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

It was very early on the first day of the week and still dark, when Mary of Magdala came to the tomb. She saw that the stone had been moved away from the tomb and came running to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus loved. 'They have taken the Lord out of the tomb' she said 'and we don't know where they have put him.'

So Peter set out with the other disciple to go to the tomb. They ran together, but the other disciple, running faster than Peter, reached the tomb first; he bent down and saw the linen cloths lying on the ground, but did not go in. Simon Peter who was following now came up, went right into the tomb, saw the linen cloths on the ground, and also the cloth that had been over his head; this was not with the linen cloths but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple who had reached the tomb first also went in; he saw and he believed. Till this moment they had failed to understand the teaching of scripture, that he must rise from the dead.

The Gospel of the Lord.

All: **Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.**

Congregation sits

HOMILY

Congregation stands

RENEWAL OF BAPTISMAL PROMISES

Priest: Dear brothers and sisters, through the Paschal Mystery we have been buried with Christ in Baptism, so that we may walk with him in newness of life. And so, now that our Lenten observance is concluded, let us renew the promises of Holy Baptism, by which we once renounced Satan and his works and promised to serve God in the holy Catholic Church. And so I ask you:

Priest: Do you renounce Satan?

All: **I do.**

Priest: And all his works?

All: **I do.**

Priest: And all his empty show?

All: **I do.**

Then the Priest continues:

Priest: Do you believe in God, the Father almighty,
 Creator of heaven and earth?

All: **I do.**

Priest: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
 who was born of the Virgin Mary,
 suffered death and was buried,
 rose again from the dead
 and is seated at the right hand of the Father?

All: **I do.**

Priest: Do you believe in the Holy Spirit,
 the holy Catholic Church,
 the communion of saints,
 the forgiveness of sins,
 the resurrection of the body,
 and life everlasting?

All: **I do.**

Priest: And may almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus
 Christ, who has given us new birth by water and the
 Holy Spirit and bestowed on us forgiveness of our
 sins, keep us by his grace,
 in Christ Jesus our Lord,
 for eternal life.

All: **Amen.**

The Celebrant sprinkles the people with the blessed water.

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: Exultant with paschal gladness, O Lord, we offer the sacrifice by which your Church is wondrously reborn and nourished. Through Christ our Lord.

All: **Amen**

Congregation stands

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER I

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 (The Paschal Mystery)

Priest: It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, at all times to acclaim you, O Lord, but on this day above all to laud you yet more gloriously, when Christ our Passover has been sacrificed.

For he is the true Lamb who has taken away the sins of the world; by dying he has destroyed our death, and by rising, restored our life.

Therefore, overcome with paschal joy, every land, every people exults in your praise and even the heavenly Powers, with the angelic hosts, sing together the unending hymn of your glory, as they 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: To you, therefore, most merciful Father, we make humble prayer and petition through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord: that you accept and bless + these gifts, these offerings, these holy and unblemished sacrifices, which we offer you firstly for your holy catholic Church. Be pleased to grant her peace, to guard, unite and govern her throughout the whole world, together with your servant Leo our Pope and N. our Bishop, and all those who, holding to the truth, hand on the catholic and apostolic faith.

Remember, Lord, your servants N. and N. and all gathered here, whose faith and devotion are known to you. For them, we offer you this sacrifice of praise or they offer it for themselves and all who are dear to them: for the redemption of their souls, in hope of health and well-being, and paying their homage to you, the eternal God, living and true.

Celebrating the most sacred day of the Resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ in the flesh, and in communion with those whose memory we venerate, especially the glorious ever-Virgin Mary, Mother of our God and Lord, Jesus Christ, and blessed Joseph, her Spouse, your blessed Apostles and Martyrs, Peter and Paul, Andrew, and all your Saints; we ask that through their merits and prayers, in all things we may be defended by your protecting help.

Therefore, Lord, we pray; graciously accept this oblation of our service, that of your whole family; which we make to you also for those to whom you have been pleased to give the new birth of water and the Holy Spirit, granting them forgiveness of all their sins; order our days in your peace, and command that we be delivered from eternal damnation and counted among the flock of those you have chosen.

Be pleased, O God, we pray, to bless, acknowledge, and approve this offering in every respect; make it spiritual and acceptable, so that it may become for us the Body and Blood of your most beloved Son, our Lord Jesus Christ.

On the day before he was to suffer, he took bread in his holy and venerable hands, and with eyes raised to heaven to you, O God, his almighty Father, 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 this precious chalice, in his holy and venerable hands, and once more 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 blessed Passion, the Resurrection from the dead, and the glorious Ascension into heaven of Christ, your Son, our Lord, we, your servants and your holy people, offer to your glorious majesty from the gifts that you have given us, this pure victim, this holy victim, this spotless victim, the holy Bread of eternal life and the Chalice of everlasting salvation.

Be pleased to look upon these offerings with a serene and kindly countenance, and to accept them, as once you were pleased to accept the gifts of your servant Abel the just, the sacrifice of Abraham, our father in faith, and the offering of your high priest Melchizedek a holy sacrifice, a spotless victim.

In humble prayer we ask you, almighty God: command that these gifts be borne by the hands of your holy Angel to your altar on high in the sight of your divine majesty, so that all of us,

who through this participation at the altar receive the most holy Body and Blood of your Son, may be filled with every grace and heavenly blessing.

Remember also, Lord, your servants **N.** and **N.**, who have gone before us with the sign of faith and rest in the sleep of peace. Grant them, O Lord, we pray, and all who sleep in Christ, a place of refreshment, light and peace.

To us, also, your servants, who, though sinners, hope in your abundant mercies, graciously grant some share and fellowship with your holy Apostles and Martyrs: with John the Baptist, Stephen, Matthias, Barnabas, and all your Saints; admit us, we beseech you, into their company, not weighing our merits, but granting us your pardon, through Christ our Lord.

Through whom you continue to make all these good things, O Lord; you sanctify them, fill them with life, bless them, and bestow them upon us.

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 kneel. 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

1 Cor 5:7-8

All: Christ our Passover has been sacrificed, alleluia; therefore let us keep the feast with the unleavened bread of purity and truth, alleluia, alleluia.

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.
Look upon your Church, O God, with unfailing love and favour, so that, renewed by the paschal mysteries, she may come to the glory of the resurrection.
Through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen

THE CONCLUDING RITES

Priest: The Lord be with you.

All: And with your spirit.

Priest: May God, who by the Resurrection of his Only Begotten Son was pleased to confer on you the gift of redemption and of adoption, give you gladness by his blessing.

All: Amen

Priest: May he, by whose redeeming work you have received the gift of everlasting freedom, make heirs to an eternal inheritance.

All: Amen

Priest: Any may you, who have already risen with Christ in Baptism through faith, by living in a right manner on this earth, be united with him in the homeland of heaven.

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, alleluia, alleluia.

All: Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE FROM THE ADMINISTRATOR

Easter teaches us that the journey to the tomb is not ultimately a journey to death but, rather, as Mary Magdalene discovered, a journey to a wonderful and surprising new life. And if Easter enables us to face our own death with hope, it also encourages us to look at all our other experiences of death with new eyes. There is a sense in which we have to deal with death throughout our lives, long before the moment of our own personal death arrives. Whenever someone close to us dies, some part of us dies with them. The experience of aging is in itself a kind of dying, a letting go of our physical energy, perhaps even of our mental capacities. At any stage in life, we can find ourselves dealing with very significant losses, such as the loss of a relationship that has been very significant for us, the loss of a job, the loss or our good name. In such losses, Easter, the feast of life, can speak powerfully to us. Because the Lord is risen, we do not face these losses alone. With St. Paul, we can say, 'I can do all things through him who strengthens me'. The risen Lord can work powerfully in all our experiences of loss and weakness.

All those to whom the risen Lord appeared were sent out as messengers of Easter hope and joy, as agents of new life. Easter, the feast of life, sends all of us forth to create a culture of life. We are faithful to that Easter calling whenever we help others to make new beginnings, whenever we help those who are struggling to live life to the full, whenever we are present to people in ways that enable their gifts to come alive and be placed at the service of others. Easter reminds us of our calling to be agents of God's life-giving work in our world. This is our baptismal calling. Easter is a day to renew our response to our baptismal calling.

As we begin our new boxes of envelopes this week, I wish to express our sincere gratitude to all those who pay to the parish each weekend by envelope, standing order or the loose plate. Your contributions are appreciated very much.

On the 29th April 1979, we celebrated the 150th anniversary of our wonderful Cathedral, the most ornate building in the entire island of Ireland. Last June we celebrated the bicentenary of the foundation stone of the Cathedral on the 8th June 2025. In 2029 we will celebrate the bicentenary of our Cathedral. The opening of the Cathedral, the Mother Church of the Diocese of Dromore which took place on Wednesday 6th May 1829. April/May 2029 will be a great time of celebration of our Cathedral, the first Cathedral Church to be built after the relaxation of the Penal Laws.

In preparation for the celebration of this great event, I am asking for the support of our parishioners. Remedial work needs to be done to the Cathedral. The Finance Council is inviting the businesses of the parish and the surrounding area to assist with that work to protect the Mother Church of the Diocese and the most important Church in Newry Parish. An application is also being made to the National Lottery for assistance with this work.

If you have not been supporting your parish, for whatever reason, could I ask you to consider once again doing so. If you prefer to pay by envelope, you can receive a box of envelopes by calling the parish office. Alternatively, it may suit you better to pay by direct debit. To set up a direct debit, forms are available in the parish office.

It is important that all parishioners assist the parish at this time. Those who haven't contributed since that painful time in our parish when COVID struck, please consider making a contribution. We will celebrate as a parish in our beautiful Cathedral in April/May 2029, and look forward to the Cathedral looking its best.

On behalf of Archbishop Eamon Martin, Fr. Alphonsus, Fr. Carlos, Fr. Emmanuel, Fr. Anthony and on my own behalf, I wish you a peace-filled Easter. We are aware of the many families who have had a bereavement this year; you and your loved ones will be in our prayers this Easter Sunday, the day we celebrate the Lord's resurrection. Our prayers are that our loved ones are with our Saviour.

We thank all those people who are such support and give of their time for their fellow parishioners. Our sincere thanks to the various groups who work unceasingly for their fellow brothers and sisters and give so generously of their time, May this Holy Season bring you many graces.

Canon Francis Brown

TROCÁIRE LENTEN CAMPAIGN 2026

You are reminded that your Trocáire Collection box should be returned to the parish either by putting it in the collection basket at Masses or by leaving it in the Sacristy or Parish Office. Please DO NOT leave your Trocáire box in the churches please.

The Feast of the Divine Mercy will be celebrated in Newry Cathedral & St. Catherine's Church on Sunday 12th April. Newry Cathedral commencing at 1.30pm with Eucharistic Adoration and Confessions, Mass at 3.30pm. St. Catherine's Church 1.30pm – 2.45pm with Eucharistic Adoration and Confessions. Mass at 3.00pm. Please join in celebrating the gift of this beautiful feast.

The Parish Office will be closed for Easter Holidays from Monday 6th April and will re-open on Monday 13th April at 9.30am. If you require a priest in an **emergency**, please telephone 028 302 62586 for the Priest on Call.

**Dromore Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage
15th May - 20th May 2026**

Anyone wishing to travel on the pilgrimage, fare is £890 payable in full by 31st March 2026 which includes flights, transfers and full board basis. Places are now limited, Contact any committee member.

RECENTLY BAPTISED

Scarlett Alice Sadie Savage, 107 Carney Hall
Aoife Rose Sedanto, 11 St. Patrick's Avenue
Charlotte Bernadette Rafferty, 1 Kings Road
Jack Michael Connors, 24 Larchmont
Fáelán Gerard Donaghy, 7 Derrybeg Villas
Ryan George McAteer, 90 Carneyhaugh Court
Tessa May McCarthy, 11A Rock Road
Kai Kevin Leddy, 20 Desert Road, Mayobridge

**MASS TIMES FOR EASTER WEEK
EASTER SUNDAY**

Cathedral: 9.00am & 12 noon
St. Mary's: 10.30am
St. Brigid's: 10.30am

NO 5.30PM MASS IN THE CATHEDRAL ON EASTER SUNDAY.

10.30AM Mass ONLY in the Cathedral Monday – Saturday.

NO Evening Mass on Tuesday 7th April in St. Mary's Church.

NO EVENING MASS in Sheeptown on Wednesday 8th April.

NO Evening Mass on Friday 10th April in St. Brigid's Church.

Vigil Masses as usual on Saturday 11th April in the Cathedral, St. Brigid's, St. Colman's Shinn & St. Catherine's

Our sincere thanks to the many people who assisted with the cleaning of the Cathedral on Saturday 28th March. The work done is greatly appreciated and the Cathedral is 'shining like a new pin!'

RECENTLY DECEASED

Kieran Hughes, Drumgullion Avenue
Shea Haughey, College Gardens
Pat Martin, John Martin Gardens
Valerie Maguinness, Carney Hall
Oliver Millar, Orior Road
Stephen Marron, James Street
Gwen McEvoy, Lisgullion
Tommy McAleenan, Betty's Hill Road

NEWRY PARISH ANNIVERSARIES FOR OUR DECEASED RELATIVES

Cathedral Anniversaries

Sunday 5 April	9.00am	John & Brigid Casey, Mourneview Park, Kathleen & John Smith, Plunkett Street Catherine Casey, Plunkett Mews, Margaret Muphy, Loughview Park & Robert Martin Carnagat Edward & Maureen McAteer, Mountainview House & Roisin Doran, Maginnis Villas.
	12 noon	Peter Curley, Banbridge, formerly Mill Street (M.M) Eileen Crinion, Fairlawns Way Patrick Farrell, Windsor Avenue Ethan Rodgers, Daragh Park Danute, Kasputiene, Martynas Jocas, Krizentes Kasputis Petres Kilmascustas.
Monday 6 April	5.30pm	NO MASS
	10.30am	Kathleen & Malachy Cunningham, Monaghan Row.
Friday 10 April	10.30am	Phil & Gene Farrell, Church Street & deceased members of the O'Hanlon Family, Pool Lane Fr, Jack, Fr. Bertie & Fr. Tommy Keenan, Monaghan Street Mary Alesbury, Barcroft Park
Saturday 11 April	6.00pm	Nuala Wright, Dora Avenue (M.M) Oliver & May Hogan, Chapel Street Finbar McGreevy, Kilcoo & Newry James, Catherine, John & Ivy McEvoy, Nicola Carroll & Neil Fretwell, O'Neill Avenue.
Sunday 12 April	9.00am	Patrick & Martha Pearce, North Street Arthur Hollywood, Dublin Road.

St. Mary's Anniversaries

Sunday 5 April	10.30am	Rita Brennan, Churchtown, Dublin Michael & Margaret Keenan, Orior Rd & Deceased Family members Patsy & Phyllis Hughes, Mountainview Drive & Mary Catherine & Patrick Hughes, Boat Street Eddie & Irene Campbell, Oaklands Lily McAnulty, Mountainview Drive Tony Carr, Toragh Park Dan & May McCann, O'Neill Avenue, Paddy & Bridie McCann, Drumgullion Avenue, George & Bridget McGivern, High Street & Mary O'Hanlon, Chapel Street.
Sunday 12 April	10.30am	Rosena Rodgers, O'Neill Avenue Denis McGivern, Chapel Street Danny Keenan, Sean O'Neill Park Kevin McShane, Carlingford Park Sean O'Hare, Rockfield Heights Paddy & Lillie Campbell, McAteer Villas George, Mary & Patrick McAteer, Ballyholland Road.

St. Brigid's Anniversaries

Saturday 11 April	7.30pm	Francis & Elizabeth Spencer & deceased family members, St. Patrick's Avenue & Madge Smith, Dublin Kathleen Finegan, Helen's Terrace John & Mary O'Hare, Slievegullion Road & Austin O'Hare, Warrenpoint Sean McCracken, Killeavy Road.
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Saval Anniversaries

Saturday 4 April	9.00pm	Conor Byrne
Saturday 11 April	6.00pm	Rosaleen Goodman Brendan Byrne
Sunday 12 April	10.30am	May, Greta & Patsy Cull

St. Catherine's Anniversaries

Sunday 5 April	8.00am	Thomas O'Gorman James Lavery Edward Meehan
	11.00am	Peter Curley (M.M) Magdalene & Michael Matthews Patrick & Rose Morgan & Maire McCloy Patsy & Lily McKeown Raymond (Ray) Byrne Stan Matthews Martin Heaney Celine Hollywood & deceased members of the Cranny Family Margaret & Aloysius McGrath Sheila & Alan Mee
Monday 6 April	12.30pm	Patsy Hughes Brigid Kehoe Mick & Molly Hillen Arthur Crothers
	11.00am	Deceased members of the Devine & Manley Families
Tuesday 7 April	7.30pm	Joseph McStay
	11.00am	Catherine McAleavey
Wednesday 8 April	7.30pm	Mary & Patrick McGuigan & deceased family members Thomas Conlon
	11.00am	Sarah McKeever
Thursday 9 April	7.30pm	Teresa & Malachy McCaughy & Denis, Martin, Gervase, Karl & Michael
	7.30pm	Denis McGivern
Saturday 11 April	7.30pm	Michael Vint & Yvonne Vint Michael, Bernadette & Paul Murray Mary Margaret McKeivitt James McCreech Ellen Brady
	9.30am	Peter, Margaret & Gerald O'Rourke
Sunday 12 April	11.00am	John Campbell & Kathleen Dodds John Kane Kevin & Susan Toner
	12.30pm	Frank Cole Geraldine Stokes

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