

Ad Majorem Dei Gloriam

Domhnach Mór

Parish of Donaghmore

Archdiocese of Armagh

A pure heart create for me O God, Put a steadfast spirit within me. Psalm 50

14 January 2024

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Second Week in Ordinary Time

Psalter Week 2

Sunday Cycle B

Weekday Cycle 2

• **Next Sunday, 21 January 2024**

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jon 3:1-5, 10.

Ps 24:4-9, R/ v 4.

1 Cor 7:29-31.

Mk 1:14-20.

Pope's Intentions for January 2024

For the gift of diversity in the Church

We pray that the Holy Spirit may help us to recognise the gift of different charisms within the Christian community and to discover the richness of different traditions and rituals in the Catholic Church.

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Sacrament of Baptism

To be arranged with Fr McAleer.

They usually take place on Saturday at 4.00pm and Sunday at 12.30pm.

The Disappeared

God our Father send your Holy Spirit to enlighten the minds and hearts of those people who can roll away the stone of sadness and anguish long suffered by the families of The Disappeared...

Please note that all Notices for the Domhnach Mór Bulletin must include a contact number and be left at the Parochial House, Donaghmore by 9.00 pm on Wednesday.

Prayer for this coming week

Psalm 5 : Morning prayer

To my words give ear, O Lord, give heed to my groaning.
Attend to the sound of my cries, my King and my God.

It is you whom I invoke, O Lord. In the morning you hear me;
in the morning I offer you my prayer, watching and waiting.

You are no God who loves evil; no sinner is your guest.
The boastful shall not stand their ground before your face.

You hate all who do evil; you destroy all who lie.
The deceitful and bloodthirsty man the Lord detests.

But I through the greatness of your love have access to your house.
I bow down before your holy temple, filled with awe.

Lead me, Lord, in your justice, because of those who lie in wait; make
clear your way before me.

No truth can be found in their mouths, their heart is all mischief,
their throat a wide-open grave, all honey their speech.

All those you protect shall be glad and ring out their joy.
You shelter them; in you they rejoice, those who love your name.

It is you who bless the just man, Lord:
you surround him with favour as with a shield.

Anniversary Notices in the Domhnach Mór Bulletin

When requesting an anniversary Mass please write the name of the deceased, the day and date of the anniversary, the chapel and a contact name and number on the outside of the envelope and leave in Donaghmore Parochial House or in either sacristy.

In Memoriam

"It is a holy and wholesome thought to pray for the dead" (2 Maccabees 12:46)

Recently Deceased

Oliver Duffin
Mary McAlindan

Felix Kavanagh
Anna Gatt

Ann McGorman
Rosaleen Kelly



Anniversaries

Sat 13 Jan Johnny, Catherine and Kathleen Quinn
Francie Nugent
James Hetherington
Sheila and Sean McKenna

Sun 14 Jan Kieran, Elizabeth and Henry O'Donnell
Sheila Ross
Francis O'Neill
Mary Hetherington
Joe, Rose, Kevin and Malachy Rafferty

Weekday Mass Times in our Parish

Donaghmore: Each morning at 9.30am
Saturday at 10.00am

Galbally: Tuesday – Friday at 10.00am

Mon 15 Jan

Tue 16 Jan

Wed 17 Jan Pat Tierney

Thur 18 Jan

Fri 19 Jan Angela Faloon MM
Anna Kane

Sat 20 Jan Paddy Cush 1st Anniv at 10.00am (D)
Peter Joe Quinn
Teresa, Kieran and Michael McCann

Sun 21 Jan Paul Loughran
Tish and Pat McDonnell
Dinny O'Neill
Christine Nugent
Phil and Mona Carberry
Marianna Feeney
Paula McKenna
Josie McVeigh

Requiescant in Pace

★ Saint Oliver Plunkett Died 1 July 1681

★ Blessed Patrick O'Loughran Died 1 Feb 1612

Sunday Collection
Sunday 7 January 2024

**Thank you for your
contribution.**

Gift Aid

Use your envelopes and add 25p to every £1 you give.

Contributing to the Parish by Cheque

- Dues made payable to Donaghmore Parish Clergy Revenue Account
- Any other cheque should be made payable to Donaghmore Parish

Useful Numbers

It is not possible for the priests of our or any parish to be available at all times. In the absence of a priest in Donaghmore and Galbally in the event of an Emergency any of the following Parochial Houses could be contacted:

Carrickmore	(028) 80761207	Coalisland	(028) 87740221	Cookstown	(028) 86763370
Dungannon	(028) 87722631	Pomeroy	(028) 87757867	Tullyallen	(028) 87761211

The Altar Breads used in the Masses in our parish come from St. Mary's Abbey, Lismore, Co. Waterford.

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 18 - 25 January 2024

'You shall love the Lord your God... and your neighbour as yourself' (Lk 10:27). The theme for 2024 is based on a text from the Gospels of St. Luke. The theme, leading to the parable of the Good Samaritan, is one of the best known passages of Scripture, yet one that never seems to lose its power to challenge indifference to suffering and to inspire solidarity. It is a story about crossing boundaries that calls our attention to the bonds that unite the whole human family. In choosing this passage of Scripture for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, we are invited to join in a process of self-reflection as we consider what it means to love our neighbour.

Lord Jesus, who prayed that all might be one, we pray to you for the unity of all Christians, according to your will, according to your means. May your Spirit enable us to experience the suffering caused by division, to see our sin and to hope beyond all hope. Amen.

Examination Supervision Opportunities

St Joseph's Grammar School has a number of paid posts for public exam supervision. Public exams are held during May/June each year, as well as November and January. Full training will be given to those appointed. If you wish to know more about these roles, please telephone the school office to speak with a member of staff. Telephone 028 8776 1227.

St Patrick's GFC Donaghmore

As a result of our Annual Christmas street collection, an outstanding amount of £9,246.00 was raised for this year's causes. Thank you to all who donated and for our club volunteers who helped out on the day.

'Galbally Friends' Fund'

'Galbally Friends' Fund' is a cross community registered charity that has been set up to financially support those living in the Galbally area with a 'palliative diagnosis or a complex health need'.

'Galbally Friends' Fund' also financially supports those dealing with extreme trauma.

Forms are available at the back of St. John's Chapel, Galbally and the Foyer of Galbally Community Centre.



Confirmation 2024

Confirmation will be celebrated on Friday 2 March 2024 at 5.00pm in Donaghmore.

Prayer for the unborn child

Lord, you watch over your little one
resting in the womb and waiting for birth
He is alive, though not yet born
He does not know you, but you know him
His lips cannot shape words to praise you.
His knees cannot bend to worship you
His hands cannot join to pray to you
And yet, Lord
The silence of his presence
speaks to you.
The patience of his waiting
serves you.
The mystery of his being
honours you.

'Be an agent of Kindness'



Verbum Dei



First Reading

1 Sm 3:3-10, 19

A reading from the first book of Samuel

Samuel was lying in the sanctuary of the Lord where the ark of God was, when the Lord called, 'Samuel! Samuel!' He answered, 'Here I am.' Then he ran to Eli and said, 'Here I am, since you called me.' Eli said, 'I did not call. Go back and lie down.' So he went and lay down. Once again the Lord called, 'Samuel! Samuel!' Samuel got up and went to Eli and said, 'Here I am, since you called me.' He replied, 'I did not call you, my son; go back and lie down.' Samuel had as yet no knowledge of the Lord and the word of the Lord had not yet been revealed to him. Once again the Lord called, the third time. He got up and went to Eli and said, 'Here I am, since you called me.' Eli then understood that it was the Lord who was calling the boy, and he said to Samuel, 'Go and lie down, and if someone calls say, "Speak, Lord, your servant is listening."' So Samuel went and lay down in his place. The Lord then came and stood by, calling as he had done before, 'Samuel! Samuel!' Samuel answered, 'Speak, Lord, your servant is listening.' Samuel grew up and the Lord was with him and let no word of his fall to the ground.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 39:2, 4, 7-10, R/vv 8, 9.

Response:

*Here I am, Lord!
I come to do your will.*

1. I waited, I waited for the Lord
and he stooped down to me; he heard my cry.
He put a new song into my mouth,
praise of our God. (R)
2. You do not ask for sacrifice and offerings,
but an open ear.
You do not ask for holocaust and victim.
Instead, here am I. (R)
3. In the scroll of the book it stands written
that I should do your will.
My God, I delight in your law
in the depth of my heart. (R)
4. Your justice I have proclaimed
in the great assembly.
My lips I have not sealed;
you know it, O Lord. (R)

Second Reading

1 Cor 6:13-15, 17-20

A reading from the first letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians

The body is not meant for fornication; it is for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. God who raised the Lord from the dead, will by his power raise us up too. You know, surely, that your bodies are members making up the body of Christ; anyone who is joined to the Lord is one spirit with him. Keep away from fornication. All the other sins are committed outside the body; but to fornicate is to sin against your own body. Your body, you know, is the temple of the Holy Spirit, who is in you since you received him from God. You are not your own property; you have been bought and paid for. That is why you should use your body for the glory of God.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

(Stand)

Gospel Acclamation

*Alleluia, alleluia!
Speak, Lord, your servant is listening:
you have the message of eternal life.
Alleluia!*

Gospel Jn 1:35-42

The Lord be with you.
And with your Spirit.

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

Glory to you, O Lord.

As John stood with two of his disciples, Jesus passed, and John stared hard at him and said, 'Look, there is the lamb of God.' Hearing this, the two disciples followed Jesus. Jesus turned round, saw them following and said, 'What do you want?' They answered, 'Rabbi,' – which means Teacher – 'where do you live?' 'Come and see' he replied; so they went and saw where he lived, and stayed with him the rest of that day. It was about the tenth hour. One of these two who became followers of Jesus after hearing what John had said was Andrew, the brother of Simon Peter. Early next morning, Andrew met his brother and said to him, 'We have found the Messiah' – which means the Christ – and he took Simon to Jesus. Jesus looked hard at him and said, 'You are Simon son of John; you are to be called Cephas' – meaning Rock.

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ