

Church of Our Lady, Star of the Sea,
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Parish Office – Fourth Sunday in Lent (Laetare)– March 31st. 2019.

Office Opening Times: 9.30am - 12.30pm. Monday to Friday.

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Missionary Visitation of Parishes in Clogher Diocese..

Representatives of the Comboni Missionary Society have been given permission by Clogher Diocese to speak at all Parish Masses and ask for help in their missionary activity. This will take place at all Masses in our Parish on April 7th. A second collection is requested by the Missionary Order to help with their work throughout the world. **St. Joseph's - do not use envelopes in second collection.**

Easter Ceremonies / Mass-Times.

Bundoran / St. Joseph's / Belleek / Garrison Parishes are required to work together in the coming Easter times. Our Parishes have seven Churches and while all ceremonies cannot take place in each Church, we have to arrange what is possible. We have only **two** full-time Priests and **one** retired Priest in our two Parishes - a great change from the **EIGHT** priests available to us twenty years ago. It is no longer possible to have full sets of Easter ceremonies taking place in every Church - so asking parishioners to make the effort to travel to where Easter Ceremonies will take place in larger Church areas will become the norm, now and in the future. The following has been suggested by Canon Munster and Fr. Beggan, with the help of Canon McGourty in both Parishes. Holy Thursday Mass (7pm in Bundoran). Good Friday Ceremonies 3pm Bundoran and 8pm in St. Joseph's Ballyshannon. Holy Saturday Ceremony 7pm Bundoran. Easter Sunday Masses - 10am in St. Joseph's Ballyshannon / 8.30am, 11am & 12.30pm in Bundoran.

Historical Note - many small churches founded more than one hundred years ago were built within a few miles walking distance from surrounding homes. Until about fifteen years ago, the number of priests available allowed each church to function in a full-time manner. Families no longer provide large numbers of clergy for Irish dioceses so the work-load of present-day and aging clergy must be lessened and centred in areas which can take larger numbers. Such are the reasons behind Easter and other decisions for today and the future. Further amalgamation of Parish areas and activity will be necessary in days to come.

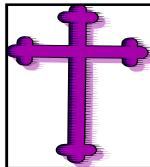
Confirmation in Clogher Diocese.

Confirmation will take place in Bundoran Church on Sunday May 12th. at 2pm.

Very Rev. Monsignor Peter O'Reilly (P.P. Enniskillen) will represent the Diocese at our ceremony. The Bishop and Canons of the Diocese will each celebrate at least five Confirmation ceremonies, to allow all to take place within three weeks. Canon Munster will celebrate Confirmation in Ederney (May 10th), Dromore (May 11th). Tempo (May 17th.) Derrygonnelly / Botha (May 18th), Cleenish / Belcoo (May 19th).

First Holy Communion will be celebrated by Canon McGourty in St. Joseph's Church on Sat. May 18th. 11am. First Holy Communion will be celebrated by Canon Munster in Bundoran on Sat. May 24th. 11am.

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Saturday 7pm. Malachy Hamrogue (West End), Mary & Tommy Keenan Jnr (Ardfarna).
Sunday 8.30am Willie & Dec Mbs Warnock Family
11.00am People of the Parish.
Monday 10am. Eamon McHugh (Dinglei Coush).
Tuesday 10am. Pauline O'Doherty (Bundoran),
Wednesday 10am. Prayer Service.
Thursday 10am. Private Intentions.
Friday 10am. Private Intentions.
Saturday - No 10am Mass or Prayer Service until May 1st.
Saturday 7pm. Allison White (St Colm's Tce), Charlie & Dec Mbs Boyle Family (Ardfarna), Dec Mbs Gilmartin Family (West End), Patrick, Bridget & Dec Mbs Carty Family (West End),
Sunday 8.30am. Private Intentions.
11.00am. People of the Parish.

Sunday March 31st. 10am.
Hugo, Margaret & Dec Mbs McGowan Family (Laughill)
Philippine Drummond (Finner).
Monday 10am. Mass.
Tuesday 10am. Mass.
Wednesday 10am. Mass.
Thursday 10am. Prayer Service.
Friday 10am. Prayer Service.
Saturday 10am. Mass.
Sunday April 7th. 10am.
Patsy Cassidy (Ardlongfield) M.M.

Special Ministers for April.

7.00pm. R. Doherty, L Ryan & N.Carr.
8.30am. M. Mulreany & K. Gallagher.
11.00am. B. Connor, A. Gaye & M. Smyth.

April Ministers of the Word.

7.00pm. Rhya Doherty.
8.30am. Cormac Meehan
11.00am. Breege Connor.

April Altar Society:

Marie Gormley.

Weekly Ministers 01/04/2019

Minister of the Eucharist Lucy Ryan.
Oznam House Lucy Ryan.
Minister of the Word Lucy Ryan.

Prayer Service Leader for Week Commencing:

1st April 2019 : Breege Connor.

Church Collectors for April.

7pm: Cindy O'Beirne, Marian Ward.
8.30am. Patricia Brennan, Mary Mulreany.
11.00am. Donal Breslin, Danny Breslin, Joe Smyth, Matthew Lingard.

April Altar Servers:

Saturday 6th: Gareth Carr, Molly Flanagan, Melissa Breslin, Dáithí O'Connor & Ava Fallon.

Sunday 7th: Wiktor Szumlanski, Niamh & Eamonn Barrett, Alexia McGuinness.

Church of Our Lady, Star of the Sea, Finances.
March 23rd– 24th 2019.

Weekly Offering: €1,820.00 Envelopes Returned (98)
Thanks to those who have made separate donations.

Liturgy Teams for April:

Minister of the Word: Bernie Boyle.

Special Ministers of the Eucharist:

Kathleen McDaid & Joan Duffy.

Church Collectors:

Front. Eamon Daly. Back. Patrick McKenna.

Altar Society:

Kathleen Lawless & Maureen Connolly.

We remember all those who have died recently:

May They Rest in Peace.



Grace Gilliland (West End).

Kathleen Indofer (Melbourne, Australia)

Hugh Brendan McGauran (Belleek)

Please Note: during Lent Mass will be celebrated in St Joseph's on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Saturday & Sunday's at 10am.

St Joseph's Church Finances, March 24th
Offertory Collection 57 Envelopes Returned
Envelopes €343.00 Baskets €273.00 Total €616.00
Development Fund: 55 Envelopes Returned
Envelopes €195.00 Baskets €64.00 Total €259.00
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