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## Parish Office – Fifth Sunday of Lent—March 29th, 2020.

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

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#### A PRAYER IN THIS TIME OF CHALLENGE - Bishop Larry Duffy, Bishop of Clogher.

**God of Love**, we the people of the Diocese of Clogher turn to you with prayerful hearts and with confidence in your loving presence among us now and in every moment of our lives. We stand before you as a people of hope, trusting in your care and protection.

May we be comforted by your love in these anxious times.

**Generous and Merciful God**, fill us with compassion and concern for others, young and old; that we may look after each other in these challenging times, especially those among us who are vulnerable. May your example give us the courage we need to go to the margins, wherever they may be. Heal us of our fear.

**Healing God**, bring healing to those who are sick with the Coronavirus and be with their families and neighbours. We pray especially for those who are isolated, that they may know your love. Stay by our side in this time of uncertainty and sorrow.

**God of Strength**, accompany all those who serve us with such love and generosity in the medical profession and in all our healthcare facilities. We give thanks for their continued work in the service of people. We ask you to bless them, strengthen them and guide them with your abundant goodness.

**God of Wisdom**, we ask you to guide the leaders in healthcare and governance; that they may make the right decisions for the wellbeing of people.

**O God of creation and God of life**, we, your people here in Clogher, place ourselves and our world in your protection and love. May your peace be with us and enfold us today, tomorrow and during the time ahead. We make our prayer through the intercession of Mary our Mother, and all the Saints.

**Saint Joseph, pray for us.**

**Saint Patrick, pray for us.**

**Saint Macartan, pray for us.**

**Saint Davnet, pray for us.**

**Saint Fanchea, pray for us.**

**May all the Saints of God, pray for us, Amen.**

#### A Prayer by Pope Francis to Our Lady, Health of the Sick to implore her Protection during the Covid-19 Coronavirus Pandemic.

O Mary, you shine continuously on our journey as a sign of salvation and hope.

We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick.

At the foot of the Cross you participated in Jesus' pain, with steadfast faith.

You, Salvation of the Roman people, know what we need.

We are certain that you will provide, so that,

as you did at Cana of Galilee,

joy and feasting might return after this moment of trial.

Help us, Mother of Divine Love,

to conform ourselves to the Father's will

and to do what Jesus tells us:

He who took our sufferings upon Himself,

and bore our sorrows to bring us,

through the Cross, to the joy of the Resurrection.

Amen.

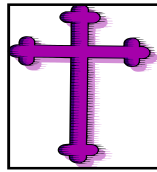
We seek refuge under your protection, O Holy Mother of God.

Do not despise our pleas—

we who are put to the test—

and deliver us from every danger, O Glorious and Blessed Virgin.

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All Masses to be viewed on Parish Webcam.

Replace all Parish Weekend Masses with Sunday 11am on Parish Webcam (Sunday 29th March):

Peggy Keane (East Rock) M.M., Eamon Melly (St. Colm's Tce) M.M., Malachy Hamrogue (West End), Hugh McGauran (Belleek).

Daily Masses can be viewed on Parish Webcam at 10am.

Monday 10am Private Intentions.  
Tuesday 10am Private Intentions.  
Wednesday 10am Private Intentions.  
Thursday 10am Eamonn McHugh (Dinglei Cough).  
Friday 10am Private Intentions.  
Saturday 10am Private Intentions.

**We remember all who have died recently: May they Rest in Peace.**



Sr. Ursula Fox (Mercy Convent,  
Ballyshannon).

Replace all Parish Weekend Masses with Sunday 11am on Parish Webcam (Sunday 5th April): Palm Sunday.

Charlie Boyle & Dec Mbs Boyle Family (Ardfarna), Paddy, Bridget & Dec Mbs Carty Family (West End), Cassie Granaghan (Ballinacarrick), Paul Gallogley (Bachelors Walk) M.M.

Statement from Bishop Larry Duffy, Bishop of Clogher.

All are dispensed from the obligation to physically attend Sunday Mass and Mass on Holy Days of Obligation until further notice. All are encouraged to participate in Sunday Mass and Mass on weekdays via radio, television or webcams that are in operation in many of our churches. A list of these, together with times of Masses and links to them will be available soon on the Diocesan Website – [www.clogherdiocese.ie](http://www.clogherdiocese.ie). Other forms of audio-visual social media may also be used to enable people participate in the Mass. Having consulted with priests and lay people across the diocese, and mindful of public health and our capability or otherwise to maintain a congregation below 100, I am suspending all public Masses in the Diocese of Clogher with immediate effect. Masses for weddings and funerals may continue, provided that the Government regulations are adhered to. All Mass intentions for a given day or days can be incorporated into a Mass that is celebrated live on webcam or radio, or via any other audio-visual form of social media.

*Spiritual Communion* – People are reminded of the Catholic tradition of a spiritual communion. When we cannot attend Mass, we can still make an Act of Spiritual Communion, expressing our faith in Christ and in His Presence in the Eucharist, asking Him to unite Himself to us. The basic elements of an Act of Spiritual Communion are an Act of Faith; An Act of Love; a desire to receive Christ; and an invitation to Him to come into your heart. Some of the prayers accompanying an Act of Spiritual Communion include

*My Jesus I believe that you are present in the Most Blessed Sacrament. I love you above all things, and I desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if you were already there and unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.*

- All Confirmations are postponed until further notice. Be assured, however, that new arrangements will be made as soon as it is safe to do so.
- First Confessions and First Holy Communions should also be suspended until further notice.
- All non-essential pastoral gatherings and meetings are cancelled.

During our journey through Lent, the celebration of Holy Week and the Easter Triduum is foremost in our minds and hearts. How this will be celebrated will be kept under review over the coming weeks.