



Chapel cleaners for Ballymaghery in December 2025 are Cathy Fitzpatrick, Mary Brannigan, Flonnula Rooney, Caroline Grant, Carol Magee, Josephine Fegan and Lorraine O'Hare

CLONDUFF SVP:

St Vincent de Paul, St John's Conference, Clonduff will be supporting families in our local community. We will be collecting cash donations at our Annual Christmas Appeal after mass on 13th/14th and 20th/21st December. All donations, big or small, will be gratefully accepted. If anyone would like to donate online, we also accept bank transfers. The bank details are: Ulster Bank - Name: St Vincent de Paul St John's Conference. Account number: 59002043 and Sort Code: 98-13-60. Thank you for your continued support and generosity at this time. Together we can bring some comfort and relief to those who are struggling most this season. We really appreciate all your help.

Pope John Paul 11 Award Scheme. Any young people, parish volunteers aged 16 or 17 interested should contact Frances McNally by phone: 02830833898 or email: youthdirector@dromorediocese.org

"When Our Lady enters a home, she brings her Son with her." The Legion of Mary invites you to welcome Our Lady of Graces Statue into your home. If you'd like to have the statue for a week, please contact Liz 07708 217549 or Bronagh 07872 694848, or Sheila 07795517503

DROMORE DIOCESAN HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The Society wishes to announce that its new Journal **Seanchas Dhiroim Mór 2025** will be available in most Parish Centres or from committee members from the weekend of **November 29th/30th**. The new Journal comprises 144 pages, 21 articles and over 100 colour illustrations covering many parishes of the diocese as well as articles of general interest. **PRICE £20**. See our Facebook page **Seanchas Dhiroim Mor** for details.

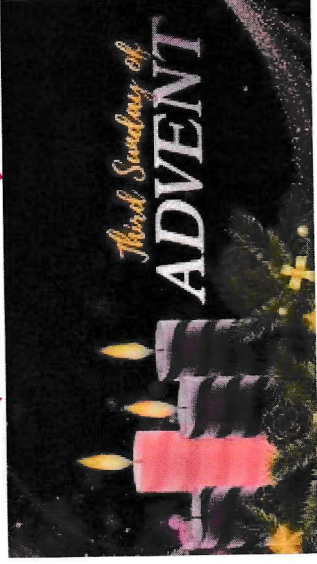
P.I.P.S. Hope and Support Christmas Service of Remembrance, Hope & Healing Sun 14th Dec 4pm St Mary's Church of Ireland, Hill St, Newry

Junior Set Dancing on Thursday from 6.30pm to 7.30pm in the GAA Clubrooms.
Adult Set Dancing every Thursday night from 7.30 to 9pm in the Parochial Hall Hilltown
Everyone is welcome

BINGO EVERY MONDAY NIGHT AT 9.00PM IN INF HALL

Clonduff Parish Newsletter

Sunday 14th December 2025
Third Sunday of Advent
(*Gaudete Sunday*)



Arc you the one who is to come, or have we got to wait for someone else?

Matthew 11:2-11

CHOIR PRACTICE IN BALLYMAGHERY on Monday 15th December at 7.00pm.
A Recording of the Choir is taking place, so all members are asked to attend.
All welcome to join us as we prepare for Christmas.

Dromore Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes 15th – 20th May 2026: £890.00 inc. transfers from Hilltown to Lourdes and return, full board for 5 days in the Agena or La Solitude Hotels and assistance of JWT Representatives while in Lourdes. Anyone wishing to travel as a pilgrim should contact any member of the local committee as soon as possible or **Joanne on 07845825029/ Sean on 07789757417**. We are able to facilitate staged payments or Gift Vouchers towards the fare. Anyone wishing to travel as an Assisted Pilgrim may do the same or leave their name in the boxes provided in the three Parish Churches. If you are nominating someone for an Assisted Pilgrim position, please check with them first that they are happy for you to do so.

Fr C Byrne Tel (028) 40630306 or 07764941606 or email clonduffparish@dromorediocese.org or cbyrne26@icloud.com

ANNIVERSARIES: BALLYMAGHERY, BALLYGORIAN & CABRA	
Sat 13 th Dec 6.00pm BALLYMAGHERY:	Rosie McKeown, Castlewellaan Road Brian Darby, Rathfriland Road James Brannigan, Fegans Gardens
Sun 14 th Dec 9.00am CABRA:	Ann McParlan, Islandmoyle Sally, Robert & Mary Anne Henning & Susan Cull, Stang
Sun 14 th Dec 11.30am BALLYMAGHERY:	Stanley McKinstry Michael & Catherine Barrett, Kantark, Co Cork Brigid Anne Fegan, Leitrim Desmond McGarry, Bann Lane Matt & Ellen Murphy, Kennedy Drive & Murphy Family, Ballygorian Sean Lynch, Castlewellaan Road Paddy Fitzpatrick, Mallons Corner Mary Margaret & Hugh John McEvoy, Castlewellaan Road
Mon 15 th Dec 9.00am	BALLYMAGHERY:
Mon 15 th Dec 7.00pm	St Mary's, Rathfriland:
Tues 16 th Dec 9.00am	BALLYMAGHERY: Eucharistic Prayer Service
Wed 17 th Dec 9.00am	BALLYGORIAN:
Thur 18 th Dec 9.00am	BALLYMAGHERY: Mass
Fri 19 th Dec 9.30am	St Mary's, Rathfriland
Fri 19 th Dec 7.30pm	CABRA: Confessions after Mass
Sat 20 th Dec 6.00pm BALLYMAGHERY:	Eugene Grant, Ardmore Park Mary Catherine & Joseph Brannigan, Spelga Park Matt & Susan McGinn, Leitrim Road/Chigago
Sun 21 st Dec 9.00am	CABRA: Jim, Rose & James McParlan, Lenish
Sun 21 st Dec 11.30am BALLYMAGHERY:	MIM Rosemary Brannigan, St Patrick's Park Teenie Wilson, Ballygorian Alice Kelly, Yellow Road, formerly Rostrevor
Sun 21 st Dec 6pm - 7pm	BALLYMAGHERY: Confessions

RECENTLY BAPTISED – We welcome into our faith community **Annie Rose Matthews** daughter of Sean and Ciara and **Sofia Mary Breea Rocks** daughter of Mark and Ellen

Christmas Mass Times

Christmas Eve: Ballymaghery 6pm, Cabra 7.30pm, Ballygorian 8pm
Christmas Day: Ballymaghery 11.30am

Confessions for Christmas
After 7.30pm Mass Friday 19th Dec in Cabra and Sunday 21st 6pm to 7pm in Ballymaghery

PRIESTHOOD. We pray for more vocations to the priesthood in our diocese. For more information or guidance if you think you could be called to be a priest, please contact our vocations director, Fr Brian Fitzpatrick, 028 3834 1901 pp.moyraverty.seagoe@gmail.com

PARISH OF CLONDUFF SUNDAY 14th DECEMBER 2025

THIRD SUNDAY ADVENT

(Sunday Readings Cycle A – Weekday Readings Cycle 2)

You can now book your Anniversaries, Baptisms, Weddings or any other enquires by contacting the Parish Office Monday & Thursday 9am – 3pm (028) 30850270 or leaving a message on answering machine or

Email: clonduffparish@dromorediocese.org

Baptism Arrangements

First Sunday of the Month Ballymaghery 12.30pm
Third Sunday of the Month Cabra 12.30pm

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Diocese of Dromore Safeguarding of Children, young people and vulnerable adults:

Dromore Designated Person Mr Stephen Sherry 07301246329

Email: safeguardingdirector@dromorediocese.org
A copy of the Dromore Diocese "Safeguarding Policy and Procedures" is available for reference in the Parish Rooms.

Adoration in Ballygorian on **Thursdays 7.30pm – 8.30pm.**

Adoration will take place on **Tuesday** evening at **8.00pm** with the Rosary being recited in Ballymaghery. All welcome.

BALLYMAGHERY ALTAR SERVERS	
Sat 13 th Dec: Eibhlín McConville, Daire Gribben, Aisling Brown, Sarah Brannigan	Sat 20 th Dec: Sarah McAlinden, Olivia Malley, Daniel Doyle, Cora Belle Murray, Charlie McCumiskey
Sun 14 th Dec: Leah McGarry, Frankie McGinn	Sun 21 st Dec: Aoiíe Dickson, Meabh Canning

Eucharistic Ministers Ballymaghery

Sat 13 th Dec 6pm: Colm McGinn	Sat 20 th Dec 6pm: Murtagh Walls
Sun 14 th Dec 11.30am: Gérard O'Hare	Sun 21 st Dec 11.30am: Mary McGreevy
Readers	
Sat 13 th Dec 6pm: Marie Cowan	Sat 20 th Dec 6pm: Rosaleen Brannigan
Sun 14 th Dec 11.30am: Eileen Hart	Sun 21 st Dec 11.30am: Aoiíbhín Eimear Byrne

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

CABRA READERS	
Sun 14 th Dec 9.00am: School Children	Sun 14 th Dec 9.00am: Madeleine McAlinden
Sun 21 st Dec 9.00am: Angela Gribben	Sun 21 st Dec 9.00am: Anne McPolin

Webcam Details:- Website: www.clonduffparish.com alternatively www.churchmedia.tv