2022: Sacrament of First Eucharist and Sacrament of Confirmation

The following dates have been set by the Parish and St John's Primary School for the P4 and P7 children's sacramental year. P7 Sacrament of

Thursday 7th April 2022 at 4pm Confirmation Saturday 21st May

First Communion

Offertory Collection 29th/30th January 2022:

(Weekly and Loose) St John's: £627.54 Dunboe: £285.75 Aghadowey: £230

Total: £1,143.29

Parish Of Dunboe, Macosquin and Aghadowey Sunday 6th February 2022

Today: 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time Cycle C.'. Liturgical Week Ahead 5th Week in Ordinary Time. Year 2



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For an emergency contact Fr Neil Farren on 07710860966

Mass Times St Johns Church. (1834) Rededicated 1991 Monday – Friday 10am Mass. Sunday: 6pm Vigil (Sat): 10am (Sun) Our Lady of the Assumption. Aghadowey (1898) Weekdays Monday – Saturday 11am Sunday 10am St Mary's Dunboe.(1855) Rededicated 1985 Sunday 6pm Vigil (Sat) Wednesdays 7pm Sabbath Day Mass for the Polish Community St John's Church. First and Third Sunday of the Month at 1pm.

Anniversary's which occur around this time: Peggy Lyttle Brigid Martin Thomas Neill Sarah Neill Sean Beau Neill John Portis

Deepest Sympathy We offer our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of Eddie McCoy(Galway), Kathleen McNicholl, Colette Moody and Jonathan(Johnny) Neill who have died recently. May they rest in peace.

Parish Meetings.

Parish Pastoral Council: The Next Meeting of the Pastoral Council will be held in St John's Church on Tuesday 8th February 2022.

Parish Synodality Group. The Next Meeting of the Synodality Group will be held in St John's Church on Tuesday 15th February 2022 at 7pm

Parish Draw 2022. The Parish Draw for the Year 2022 will take place on Tuesday 15th February, which will have two draws for both January and February months. Fully paid members over the 12 months of 2022 will be included in a Free Draw in December 2022. We do not take our membership for granted and urge all who were in the Draw in 2021 to remain in the Draw for 2022. The Promoters who promote the draw are important to us and hopefully they too will continue to promote the draw in 2022. More Promoters and members are very welcome especially since the Pandemic has seen a sharp decline in Parish Collections.

Feast Days in the week ahead.

Friday 11th February: On this day in 1858, Our Lady, first appeared to the fourteen year old Bernadette Soubirous. Later Bernadette was to learn that the mysterious lady was the Blessed Virgin and to hear from her lips, 'I am the Immaculate Conception'. In 1992 Pope John Paul 11 instituted the World Day of the Sick to be held on the commemoration of Our Lady of Lourdes.

Irish Calendar of Feasts in the week ahead.

Monday 7th: St Mel. Died 488. He is said to have been a Briton who came to Ireland with St Patrick, with whom he worked until he was ordained at Ardagh. He is one of the earliest Irish Saints and gave the religious veil to St Brigid.

Friday 11th. St Gobnait. Is one of the best loved saints in west Cork but only traditions concerning her life survive. The main part of her life was spent in Ballyvourney, Co Cork, where there has always been a deep devotion to her, and which is a place of pilgrimage on this day and on Pentecost. Her gifts of caring for and curing the sick have been a significant part of her cult through the centuries. Happily her memorial coincides with the World Day of the Sick on this day

Voluntary Sacristan/Caretaker required at St John's Church or at Our Lady of the Assumption Church, Aghadowey.

If you are interested in taking on this position at either Church, please do not hesitate to let Fr Neil Farren or Fr Gerard Hasson know in the next couple of weeks. Your cooperation is appreciated. Catholic Engaged Encounter– A Marriage Preparation Course is planned for 9/10 April 2022 in The Drummond Hotel, Ballykelly. This 2-day course is a positive way of preparing for Marriage where you will discover how you can enrich your future relationship. Information/Booking marriageencounter.ie or Tel. 028276 38512

Derry Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2022: Although mindful of all the uncertainties we face at this time, the Pilgrimage Director and staff have begun planning for a return to Lourdes in early summer 2022. While it is still too early to provide details, it is intended that the date and duration will be as in recent years and hopefully these will be confirmed and announced by the end of 2021. We ask for the prayers of the people of the diocese so that, by the grace of God and intercession of Our Lady of Lourdes, we may return to Lourdes once more.

Our Faith - Developing what we were taught in school: • Was RE just a subject in school? Would you like to really to understand it in practice? • Are you open to deepening your understanding of your Catholic Faith? • Do you want to better understand the Mass - the celebration to the Eucharist? • Would you like to explore, discuss and reflect upon issues and questions of faith, the Church, and how to link faith to your everyday life? The Pathways Adult Faith Programme by Drumalis Retreat Centre, Larne, addresses these questions and more. This two-year faith development programme, delivered one Saturday per month from October to June is available either in-house at Drumalis or by Zoom videoconferencing. For personal testimonies, full details and enrolment on the programme, visit: www.drumalis.co.uk/pathway

Priests now living, born or brought up or serving in the Parish of Dunboe, Macosquin and Aghadowey.

Fr John (Jackie) Farrell, Educated at St Columbs College. Ordained Maynooth by Bishop John Charles McQuaid 17/6/56. Presently Retired.

Rev Gerard Hasson. Educated Blackrock College, Kimmage Manor Ordained 5/7/70 by Bishop Carroll. Presently C.C. Coleraine. **Rev Patrick McWilliams**, Educated St Columbs College and St Kierans College, Kilkenny. Ordained Kilkenny 11/6/67. Presently P.P. Toomebridge.

Rev Kieran Moloney. Educated at St Columbs College and St Columbans Missionary Society. Ordained at Derry by Bishop Neil Farren 20/12/67. Presently retired.

Rev Charles Keaney. Educated at St Columbs College and Maynooth. Ordained at St John's Coleraine 1/6/75 by Bishop Edward Daly. Presently P.P. Swatragh.

Rev John Cargan Educated St Columbs College and Maynooth. Ordained St Columbs College 1/6/78 by Bishop Edward Daly. Presently P.P. Kilrea.

Rev Neil Farren. Educated at Scoil Mhuire, Buncrana and Maynooth. Ordained, Buncrana 1/3/79. By Bishop Edward Daly.

Rev Luke McWilliams. Educated St Columbs College and Maynooth. Ordained St Malachys Church, Coleraine 19/6/83 by Bishop Cathal B. Daly. Presently P.P. Rasharkin.

Rev Martin Moran St Josephs Secondary School. Ordained St Johns Church Coleraine 11/6/89

The Parish Offertory Envelopes:

If a Parishioner is unable to get to Mass because of present fear with the Pandemic (as many are still not out attending due to concern re crowds). You can still put your envelopes in at another time be it on Tuesday and Thursday at St Johns Sacristy from 10.30am – 12noon or to Chapelfield at your convenience. If unable to attend Dunboe or Aghadowey on the Sabbath Day, envelopes can be still be left in the sacristy at Dunboe on Wednesday before or after the 7pm – or Aghadowey before or after morning weekday 11am Mass as attendance is much smaller at those weekday masses.

Pilgrimage to Fatima 24th-31st May 2022

Escorted group Pilgrimage. 7 nights departing from Dublin with 20kgs check in bag. Staying in 4star Styler Hotel with breakfast, lunch and evening meal each day. Excursion to Santarem, guided tour of Aljustrel and sights relating to the apparitions in the surrounding area. Cost £679 per person sharing. For more information contact Bridie Gallagher 028 25644181. Pick up points: Oakleaf Restaurant Maghera, Castledawson Roundabout and Ballymena.

Derry Diocesan Society (DDS): In each of the parishes of the diocese Mass is offered alternating in each parish (list at the back of each church) for deceased and living members who are registered in the society. The deceased members registered are remembered in the anniversary list for three consecutive weekends each quarter (three months). Registration is £20 and can be given to a sacristan or Fr. Crowley - please ensure name and address of the person to be enrolled, and whether it is for a living or deceased member.