

**Parish of Dunboe, Macosquin and  
Aghadowey**

**Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> January 2026**  
Year A Psalter Week IV



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**Parish Secretary: Clare White at Chapelfield**

**Office hours This week:**

**Monday 18<sup>th</sup> January – 9.15am – 12.15pm**  
**Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> January – 9.15 – 1.30pm**  
**Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> January -9.15 – 1.30pm**

**Parish Email: [cpdma@btinternet.com](mailto:cpdma@btinternet.com)**

**Parish Website: [www.dmaparish.com](http://www.dmaparish.com)**

**SVP Helpline: Tel: 07752017340**

**Safeguarding Officer: Mrs Bernadette Eastwood**

**Emergency Calls: Contact**

**Father Neil Farren - 07710860966**

**Age Concern** Tele 02870357966

**Good morning, Causeway** For elderly and vulnerable  
people. Tele 02870558005

**Lifeline Crisis Response Helpline** 0808 808 8000

**North Coast Community Transport** Tele 02870321234

**Samaritans** Tele 116123

**St Vincent de Paul** Tele 07752017340

**Wave Trauma Centre for Mental Health and Wellbeing**

Tele 0282766990 **Women's Aid** Tele 02870356

**Onus – Men & Women affected by domestic or  
sexual abuse in NI – 0808 802 1414 (Freephone 24hr)**

**Recently Deceased**

Fr Eugene Hasson (PP Omagh), Brian McAteer (Formerly  
Glenullin)

**Anniversaries**

Mollie Currie (Anniversary Mass Sunday 18th), Betty  
Fulton, Anne Clyde, Brendan Mitchel, Tommy Dallat,  
Thomas Lundy (Anniversary Mass Vigil St Johns), Mary  
Mullan, Bernadette Duckin.

**Sick visitation**

Tuesday – Aghadowey

Wednesday – Coleraine Heights area.

**Meetings**

Liturgy Meeting. Monday 19th January 10.30am at St John's  
Sacristy.

Aghadowey Hall Committee Meeting in Aghadowey Hall this  
Tuesday 20th January at 7pm.

**Parish Collections 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> January 2026**

	<b>St Johns</b>	<b>Aghadowey</b>	<b>Dunboe</b>
<b>Weekly</b>	<b>£586.81</b>	<b>£240.00</b>	<b>£176.00</b>
<b>Loose</b>	<b>£369.81</b>	<b>£335.00</b>	<b>£20.00</b>
<b>Total:</b>	<b>£1727.62</b>		

**Masses This Week**

Church	St Johns	Dunboe	Aghadowey
<b>Monday</b>	10am		
<b>Tuesday</b>	10am		12pm
<b>Wednesday</b>		7pm	
<b>Thursday</b>	10am	12pm	
<b>Friday</b>	10am		
<b>Saturday</b>	6pm	7.30pm	
<b>Sunday</b>	11am		9.45am

**Dunboe Reader/ Offertory Rota**

Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> January – Philomena – Offertory – Peter &  
Geraldine

Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> January – Marie / Offertory – Maggie & Presley

Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> February – Catherine / Offertory – Liam & Ann

**Dunboe Cleaning Rota**

January – Martina Doherty

**St Johns Eucharistic Minister**

Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> January Vigil – Brian O'Kane

Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> January – Sunday Mass – Peter Devlin

**St Johns Minister of the Word January**

Vigil: Carmel O'Kane

Sunday Mass: Hannah Scott

**Aghadowey Offertory**

Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> January – Sean & Martin Kelly

Sunday 25th January – Brendan & Rosie Dempsey

Anne & Ursula Mitchell

**Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2026**

This year's Week of Prayer for Christian Unity takes place  
from 18-25 January.

The theme for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity for  
2026: One hope, one calling' - comes from Apostle Paul's  
letter to the Ephesians: "There is one body and one  
Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your  
calling" (Eph. 4:4).

In a world with diverse and often divided traditions and  
expressions of Christian faith, Ephesians 4:4 reminds us  
that all believers are part of the "one body" of Christ.  
"Let us embrace this divine calling to unity, not as an  
abstract ideal but as a vital expression of our faith,"  
invites the theme of this year. "By living in unity, we not  
only witness to the love and power of our Lord Jesus  
Christ but also embody the essence of His teachings."

**Rosary on the coast**

This Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> January on Benone Beach at 3pm  
All are welcome to attend

**Stay Curious: Try Alpha**



You are warmly invited to a short film and small group  
discussion exploring life, faith and meaning in a friendly,  
relaxed, cross-community setting.

- Tuesdays 7-9pm from 13 January 2026

- Bushtown Hotel, 283 Drumcroom Rd, Coleraine BT51 3QT

- Further information: [Alphanorthcoast@gmail.com](mailto:Alphanorthcoast@gmail.com)

or telephone: 077 6064 7665

**Acts of the Apostles Online Course**

Join us to read through the book of Acts to explore the  
experience of the first followers of Jesus that gave birth  
to the Church.

Learn from

• The Power of Pentecost

• Early Faith Communities

• Spreading the Gospel

• Facing problems and opposition

**Course Details**

• Start Date: Thursday 22 January 2026 for 6 weeks

• Time: 7-8.30pm

• Online via GoogleMeet

To register contact Kieran Hill

Tel: 07964287839 E mail: [kc.hill@btinternet.com](mailto:kc.hill@btinternet.com)

**Catholic Schools Week 2026**

18th to the 24th January 2026 Catholic Schools – Normal  
Lives, Called to Holiness

“Holiness does not mean performing extraordinary  
things, but doing ordinary things with love and faith.”

— Pope Francis on Blessed Carlo Acutis

Catholic Schools Week 2026 celebrates the extraordinary  
call to holiness in the midst of ordinary life. Inspired by  
Pope Francis's reflection on Blessed Carlo Acutis—soon  
to be canonised as the first millennial saint—this year's  
theme invites pupils, teachers, families, and parishes to  
explore the call to holiness as something both universal  
and accessible. Holiness is not for a few, but for all; not  
reserved for religious professionals or mystics, but for  
every student, teacher, parent, (and grandparent!) living  
each day in friendship with Jesus Christ. Catholic schools  
exist to form individuals who know that their lives have a  
purpose and a calling. This year's theme, “Normal Lives,  
Called to Holiness,” resonates with the central  
conviction that education is a path not only to  
knowledge and maturity but to sainthood. “Each of us is  
called to be holy by living our lives with love and by  
bearing witness in everything we do.” (Gaudete et  
Exsultate)

**SVP Thanks!**

We are extremely grateful to all who contributed to our Annual  
Appeal collection which was taken up in all 3 churches in our parish  
on the weekend of the 13th/14th December and to all who made  
donations throughout December. The total amount raised was  
£7,490. We also received £250 in Tesco vouchers and £100 in Chill  
vouchers.

Your tremendous generosity will ensure that we can continue to  
provide help to many families and individuals during 2026.

A huge thank you to you all and we wish you God's blessings during  
2026.

**IT'S EASY TO SEE WHAT ALCOHOL IS DOING TO THE DRINKER  
BUT CAN YOU SEE WHAT IT IS DOING TO YOU?**

These questions can help you identify if someone else's drinking is  
affecting you. If your answer is yes to any of the following, Al-Anon  
Family Groups can help. · Do you worry about how much someone else  
drinks? · Do you tell lies to cover up for someone else's drinking? · Are  
you afraid to upset someone for fear that it will set off a drinking  
bout? · Do you feel that if the drinker loves you, he would stop drinking  
to please you? · Do you feel like a failure because you can't stop the  
drinking? · Do you make threats such as “If you don't stop drinking, I'll  
leave you “? · Do you search for hidden alcohol? · Do you feel angry,  
confused or depressed most of the time? For further information  
contact the Al Anon confidential helpline on 0800 0086 811 or email  
[helpline@al-anonuk.org.uk](mailto:helpline@al-anonuk.org.uk) . Alternatively, tel 028 9068 2368.

**Parish Draw 2026**

Dear Parishioners,

We are now into the second week of a new year and it's  
time we recommence the Parish Draw.

2025 was quite a successful year, so we are appealing to you  
to join again. Perhaps a family member or friend maybe  
interested in joining? With prizes of £1,000 per month for a  
£5 contribution, it's a good return!

We pay out each month, 1 x £500, 4 x £100 and 2 x £50 of  
prizes.

The draw can be paid for in a variety of ways, £5 monthly, 3  
equal instalments of £20 or all in one payment of £60.

The first draw will take place on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> February for  
January & February's Draw's and every 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the  
month thereafter.

So if you know of anyone who would like to join, feel free to  
tell them to drop into the sacristy any day after Mass, or  
speak to one of the promoters. The Sacristy is open every  
Tuesday & Thursday until 12noon.

With no other fundraising in our Parish during the year, we  
find this together with our collections, a good way of  
running the Parish Smoothly.

With every blessing for a Holy & Healthy 2026, and good  
luck to all our members.

Fr Neil Farren

**Parish Training Evening**

Following on from the Sycamore Introduction sessions we shared  
together in November, I would like to invite you to take part in a  
short parish training evening as we prepare for Lent.

This **2-hour training session** is aimed at those who may be involved  
in helping the parish form and support a Sycamore Parish Group. It  
will focus on the practical and pastoral preparation needed at  
parish level — creating a welcoming space, preparing prayer,  
sharing roles, and inviting people gently into a Lenten journey of  
faith.

The session will be led by **Tony Brennan, Pastoral Coordinator,**  
**Diocese of Derry**, who facilitated our Sycamore Introduction  
sessions and will guide us through how Sycamore links  
with *Baptised and Sent in Lent*.

**Details are as follows:**

- **Date:** Tuesday 27 January
- **Time:** 7.00pm – 9.00pm
- **Venue:** Parochial House, Coleraine

This evening is intended as a natural follow-through  
from the Introduction sessions and will help us discern  
how best to take the next step as a parish

**I hope you will be able to join us.**