

5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER
Sunday Cycle C / Psalter Week 1

Mass Schedule

Our Lady of the Assumption Church, Newcastle

Weekday Masses

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday - 10am

Wednesday – 10am Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion

Weekend Masses

Saturday - 11.00am First Holy Communion (St Patrick's, All Children's Integrated & Newcastle Primary Schools)

Saturday - 6.00pm Vigil Mass

Sunday - 11.30am Mass

St. Patrick's Church, Bryansford

Monday to Sunday from 10am – 5pm Open for Private prayer

An update will be communicated to you as to when

St Patrick's Church will reopen for weddings and Sunday mass.

Ministry of Welcome

Recently Baptised: Fianna Marie, Conall, Esmé Grace.

Bereavement Ministry

Our prayers are asked for:

Recently Deceased: Sr Paschal McMeel (Poor Clare, Co Carlow), Jacqueline Dodds nee King (England).

Anniversaries: Joseph Boyle, John Rowe, Alice Gargan, Mrs Kathleen Toner, Luisa Real.

Masses ((from Saturday 14th – Sunday 22nd May)

Sat, 14 th	11.00am	First Holy Communion (St Joseph's Primary School)
Sat, 14 th	6.00pm	Vincent & Bernadette Rogan / Michael Morgan
Sun, 15 th	11.30am	Ann Lynch / John & Josephine McIlvenny / Francis Rice / Vincent Braniff / John Rowe
Mon, 16 th	10.00am	Bernadette Small
Wed, 18 th	10.00am	Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion
Thu, 19 th	10.00am	Harry Small
Sat, 21 st	11.00am	First Holy Communion (St Patrick's, All Children's Integrated & Newcastle Primary Schools)
Sun, 22 nd	11.30am	Hugh Devlin / Denis & Roseanne O'Prey / Danny & Jack Quinn / Mrs Kathleen Toner

"May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace."

This week's Sanctuary Candles will burn for:

Our Lady of the Assumption Church: Sick & Housebound of our Parish

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To access the Parish webcam: <https://www.mcnmedia.tv/camera/our-lady-of-the-assumption-church-newcastle>

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Parish Notice

Offertory Collection: £1859.10. Trócaire: £3325. Thank you.

Sacrament of First Holy Communion will be celebrated in Our Lady of the Assumption Church on Saturday 21st May 2022 at 11am from St Patrick's, All Children's Integrated & Newcastle Primary Schools. Congratulations to the pupils from St Joseph's Primary School who received the Sacrament of First Communion this Saturday.

Meditating with Mary in the month of May. The Living Church office has put together a 3-week program called, 'Meditating with Mary in the month of May' started Friday 13th May and continues on Fridays 20th & 27th May. The program centres on the Annunciation, Visitation and Mary's Magnificat and provides opportunities to reflect on a piece of Scripture taken from Luke's gospel, share our insights, pray together and deepen our understanding of these key events in Mary's life. Please join us in the Parish Centre after 10am Mass on Friday, 20th & 27th May for a cup of tea/coffee, our sessions will begin at 11am.

Church Cleaning on Monday 30th May after 10am Mass. Please come along and help if you can.

Individual confessions continues on the 1st and 3rd Saturday of each month 3.30-4pm in the Side-Chapel.

Weekly Envelopes for tax year from Sunday, 3rd April 2022 to Sunday, 26th March 2023 can now be collected from the Parish Office during office hours. Thank you.

Wearing Facemasks. We encourage you to continue to wear while in the Church. All Church entrances are now open. Thank you.

Parish Draw. The next monthly draw will take place on Thursday, 26th May. Good Luck

To Bring Comfort and Consolation. This is a new book by Paddy Shannon looking at grief and bereavement as a natural human experience and exploring how our faith can help us through the pain. Paddy will be holding a book launch/signing in the Parish Centre next Sunday 22nd May after 11.30 Mass.

Pause for Hope. An Ecumenical Service for all affected by cancer. Come & sing with Sing for Life & The Priests. Pray together, light a candle and have a cuppa. All are welcome and it's free! No tickets required on Sunday 15th May 2022 at 15.00 in St Anne Cathedral, Belfast.

An Irish Pilgrimage Guide to the Holy Land is a new book by Michael Kelly, Editor of The Irish Catholic newspaper which explores the places associated with the life of Christ. Michael, who has led many pilgrimages to the Holy Land, says he hopes the book can also act as an 'armchair retreat' for people who cannot travel to the Holy Land bringing the Gospel to life for them. It is available now from all good bookshops, www.columbabooks.com or by calling 00353.1.687.4096 price €16.99/£14.99

Priory Institute Online Theology Open Evening, is this for you? The Priory Institute provides online Theology courses to degree level. Attend Saturday lectures in Tallaght or from the comfort of your own home. Click here or email enquiries@prioryinstitute.com to find out more about our Online Open Evening on Wednesday 18th May at 7pm. This is the link to register for the Online Open Evening <https://prioryinstitute.com/events/priory-institute-open-evening>.

St Vincent de Paul Church Doors Collection for weekend 7/8 May 2022 amounted to £371.16. Thank you for all those parishioners who continue to support us through our Standing Order Scheme and individual contributions sent anonymously.

Trócaire will be hosting a special Spring Gala Concert at Clonard Monastery, Belfast at 7.30pm on Friday 20th May, with performances from Margaret Keys, The Priests and St Dominic's Girls' School Choir. Tickets are free of charge but donations will be gratefully received on the night of the concert with all donations matched by the UK government in support of the 2022 Lent Appeal. To reserve tickets, visit www.eventbrite.co.uk and search 'Clonard Concert Belfast', email infoni@trocaire.org or call 028 9080 8030.

CEMETERY SUNDAY

Cemetery Sunday will be on Sunday, 29th May at 12.30pm in St Mary's Cemetery, Newcastle and 3.00pm in St Patrick's Cemetery, Bryansford. Bryansford is the largest and busiest Service with high levels of traffic congestion. Some of this has been uncontrolled and can no longer be permitted for vehicles to be parked on main routes in and around the vicinity of the Cemetery. We have sought advice and consultation with specialists including the PSNI to help with the issues. As a result, we are implementing the following additional measures and provisions:

Additional Field Car Parking

Additional 'External' parking being made available within a field located immediately in front of St Patrick's Church. Access to this car park will be available in two ways:

1. *Bryansford Road*

- This is accessible on the LEFT-HAND SIDE coming from Newcastle and RIGHT-HAND SIDE coming from Bryansford. This is opposite our field, which was the field we previously used in 2019.
- We request that those coming from Newcastle via the Bryansford Road to enter the car park via this point.
- Equally, when going home, you will be requested to only go right and back towards Newcastle. However, you may also be permitted to go back towards Castlewellan, etc. but only on strict Stewards instructions.

2. *Hilltown Road*

- This is accessible on the RIGHT-HAND SIDE coming from the Hilltown direction (OPPOSITE WALSH'S CARAVAN PARK) and LEFT-HAND SIDE coming past St Patrick's Church.
- We request those coming from Bryansford Village, Kilcoo and Hilltown, etc to enter the car park via this point.
- Equally, when going home, you will be mainly requested to go back towards Bryansford Village, Kilcoo and Hilltown. However, you may also be permitted to go back towards Newcastle and Castlewellan, but only on strict Stewards instructions.

- ❖ Appropriate access and egress will be provided for vehicles at all times and be open for use from 12.30pm. These access and egress points will be appropriately signed and stewarded.
- ❖ After parking your vehicle, pedestrians will be able to walk through the field, safely, off the road and enter back onto the Bryansford Road at the top, beside the junction with the Ballyhafry Road and Hilltown Road. Pedestrians will then be directed across the road towards the Church & Cemetery grounds via existing routes.

Tickets – Church and Cemetery Car Park (ONLY)

- ❖ Parking within the Church and Cemetery grounds will be only exclusively for disabled, elderly and ambulant disabled people. It's also available for drivers responsible for driving anyone with any of these debilities. Restrictions will also be in place within the Cemetery grounds as we can no longer permit vehicles to park on the rear grassed areas of the Cemetery as this is sacred ground.
- ❖ Tickets are allocated on a 'first come – first served' basis. Tickets are only for the Church and Cemetery grounds – not the external field car park.
- ❖ Tickets are available from the Parish Office on request by email parishoffice@parishofmaghera.com and newcastle@downandconnor.org
- ❖ By telephone on 028 437 22401 or by calling into the office. The office opening times are Tuesday-Friday 10.00am to 1:00pm.
- ❖ Stewards will be present to direct and assist the safe operations and migration of vehicles and pedestrians. PSNI officers will also assist with the traffic operations. Signage will also be in place.
- ❖ NB: PSNI Traffic Branch have asked us to warn parishioners that they will have no hesitation in booking cars that are not properly parked!

Arrival Time

- ❖ We request everyone arrive early and orderly and be in place no later than 2.30pm, otherwise we will have to reallocate your parking space. Stewards must be afforded appropriate time to allocate and manage parking spaces to ensure the Service starts on time.
- ❖ These new measures must be strictly adhered to! Therefore, I request that you follow the advice and guidance of the stewards at all times. They are there to help you! Egress and exiting will be equally coordinated in a safe and structured manner.

Cemetery Car Park Closure

- ❖ The Cemetery Car Park will be closed to non-ticket holders at 12:00pm.
- ❖ We understand that you will want to visit and tend to your family graves, but we would ask for your understanding to give stewards time to prepare for the Service at 3:00pm.
- ❖ St Patrick's Hall will be opened from midday & throughout the Service for toilets and fresh water.
- ❖ Thank you for your patience and understanding.

