

*5th Sunday in
Ordinary Time*
9th February 2025



Parish of Drumragh

Sacred Heart Church, Omagh
St Mary's Church, Drumragh
028 82242092
www.drumraghparish.com

Mass Times Sacred Heart Church

Weekday Mass this week:
10.00am Monday - Saturday
7.30pm Monday & Friday

Sunday Mass:

Vigil 6.00pm (Saturday)

Sunday 9.00am; 12.00pm

Saint Mary's Church, Drumragh

Sunday at 10.30am

Confessions this week

Saturday 10.30-11.30 am
and after the Vigil Mass

**Exposition of the
Blessed Sacrament**

Wednesday

following morning Mass
until 5.30pm

Connecting the Gospel to Today's Context

Modern society makes it easy to dismiss religion, but doing so often comes at a cost: a loss of meaning and purpose, moral relativism (nothing matters, everything must be 'tolerated'), weakened social and familial bonds, and increased anxiety and mental health struggles.

Many recognize the value of religious practice, but they find it easy to neglect it due to declining trust in institutions, consumerism, medical and financial security, tolerance that devalues convictions, cultural shifts, distractions, and the belief that science has replaced religion. These factors make skipping religious practice easy, and over time, occasional neglect turns into a way of life, eroding a sense of obligation to others.

However, faith is not just personal—it must shape how we live and connect with others. Biblical examples, like the response of Isaiah and the response of Jesus' disciples, show that faith (the way we see the place of God in things) must go beyond a 'take-it-or-leave-it' attitude. Instead, it calls for active participation. We are all called to engage with God, to uphold values, and to remain connected. Without this, we risk falling into selfishness and self-justification. The challenge is whether we will respond to the call of faith in a world that encourages detachment.

The Divine Mercy Conference will take place in the RDS this year on the 21st, 22nd and 23rd February. Friday (FREE) 6.00pm - 9.00pm, Saturday 10am - 8pm and Sunday 10am - 5pm.

We ask all Divine Mercy Apostles to make a special effort to:

Encourage others, especially young people to attend. Friday night is **FREE**.

Organise groups to attend via buses, cars or trains.

Tickets: €40 weekend (Best Value), Saturday €35 and Sunday €25, available online on our website www.divinemercuryconference.com; or at the RDS door on the day.

Parish Office Open Mon/Tues/Thursday 9-2pm

Parish email: info@drumraghparish.com

**Sacred Heart Church
7.30pm Mass Intentions**

**Monday 10th February
*John McDaid - 1st Anniversary***

**Friday 14th February
*Leo Devlin - 1st Anniversary***

Omagh Charismatic Prayer Group

Prayer Group Meetings take place in The Pastoral Centre on **Thursday evenings** with Rosary at 7.40pm and prayer meeting at 8pm.

All welcome to come and pray.

Sacrament of Baptism

We welcome new members of our Parish Community who received the Sacrament of Baptism:

***Tianna Rose Donnell
Arabella Grace Nixon
Ella Alice McCausland
Rhea Grace Kathleen Drumm***

The Lourdes Hospitalité collection,

which helps those who wish to go to Lourdes and require care and assistance, is due to take place at weekend Masses this weekend.

**INVITATION TO MASS –
CONCLUDING THE 33 DAYS OF
FAMILY PRAYER:**

The 33 days concludes on Tuesday, 11th February 2025, Bishop McKeown now extends an invitation to those who have participated in this journey of prayer to join him in **St Eugene's Cathedral, Derry on Tuesday, 11 February at 7:00pm**. The bishop will pray the final prayers of this journey and lead people in making the Prayer of Consecration. This will be followed by the celebration of Mass at 7:30pm. Certificates to mark the Consecration will be available after Mass. If you are unable to attend, Certificates will be available to download at derrydiocese.org/consecration. Details of the Family Prayer programme can be found on the website.

Recently Deceased

Frank Starrs
May he rest in peace



Praying for Vocations This weekend's Gospel tells us that the fishermen who met Jesus "...left everything and followed Him." We invite men aged 18+ who may be considering following the Lord as diocesan priests to a Vocations Weekend in Drumalis Retreat Centre, Larne, from 7-9 March 2025. Anyone interested should contact the diocesan Vocations Director, Fr Pat O'Hagan, at pgoh2111@gmail.com

Derry Diocesan Society

The following names have been added to the list of Deceased Members of the Derry Diocesan Society

Dessie Kelly	Beatrice Quinn	Damian Hackett	Adrian McSorley
George Harkin	Eugene Craig	Cathal McNamee	Frances McNamee
Patricia Harris	Mary Moynihan	Gerry Nugent	Eileen Kelly
P J Taggart	Philomena Chesters	Roisin Sweeney	Phyliss Mullan
Kate Devlin	Martin Quinn	John Rodgers	Arty Breen
Teresa McCusker	Brendan McSorley		

We pray that all who sleep in Christ find in your presence, light, happiness and peace.

**Bingo in St. Joseph's Hall on
Tuesday 11th February AT 8.30pm**

Drumragh Parish Draw Winners – January 2025

£2000 - Claire Smithson - Promoter: Raymond McNally
£1000 - Michael Bradley - Promoter: Carmel Tierney
£500 - Cath McMahon - Promoter: Carmel Tierney
£250 - Liam Lowry - Promoter: Dessie Sheridan
£100 - John Taggart Jr. - Promoter: Seamus Haigney
£100 - Aoibheann Doody - Promoter: Carmel Tierney
£100 - Kevin Mullan - Promoter: Catherine McGale
£100 - Michael Quinn – Promoter: Catherine McNamee
£100 - Edna Doherty - Promoter: Parish Office
£100 - Kay McGerty - Promoter: Gerard Lilly
£100 - Tadhg Byrne - Promoter: Ann Byrne
£100 - Francis Kelly - Promoter: Sheila Colton
£100 - Maria & Finbarr Corrigan - Promoter: Parish Office
£100 - Jeff Smithson - Promoter: Raymond McNally
£100 - Promoters Prize - John Rafferty

Drumragh Parish Draw Winners – February 2025

£2000 - Paul McKenna - Promoter: Rozella Kelly
£1000 - Jo McCrory - Promoter: Tommy Sharkey
£500 - Clan Mac Cionnaith - Promoter: Brian McKenna
£250 - Sarah Mullan - Promoter: Carmel Tierney
£100 - Cera O'Reilly - Promoter: John Rafferty
£100 - Margaret McKenna - Promoter: Brian McKenna
£100 - Claire Mathers - Promoter: Barry Mathers
£100 - Christina Quinn - Promoter: Jackie McDermott
£100 - Aoife McKenna - Promoter: Brian McKenna
£100 - Jim & Anna Cummings - Promoter: Geraldine Gallagher
£100 - Cara Hasson - Promoter: Fr Eugene Hasson
£100 - Brenda Norris - Promoter: Catherine McNamee
£100 - Margaret Cox - Promoter: Rozella Kelly
£100 - Gerard Broderick - Promoter: Elizabeth Broderick
£100 - Promoters Prize - Jim McGread

Next Draw

4th March

Tree Maintenance

Tenders are sought for the cutting down and disposal of a small number of trees in an unstable condition in Drumragh Parish cemetery. Please send applications to -
The Cemetery Care Group, c/o The Parish Office, the Pastoral Centre, Brook Street,
Omagh on or before 21st February 2025.

WIN A TRIP TO MEDJUGORJE

Medjugorje Irish Centre Free Prize draw taking place on 1st April. Prize for one person includes 7 nights B&B, return airport transfer and flights up to €300.
To enter go to prize draw page on website www.med-irishcentre.com
Tel. 01 443 4510 or email reservations@med-irishcentre.com

St Joseph's Hall

Mon 4.30 pm - Groogan O' Doherty School of Dancing

Mon 7-8pm - St Joseph's Ceili Club

Tues 2.30-4.30pm - Colmcille Club

Tues 8.30pm - Bingo

Wed 5.45 pm - Baxter School of Dancing

Thurs 8 pm - Bowls

Sat 2 pm - Groogan O' Doherty School of Dancing

***Booking forms and hall rates are available to download at
www.drumraghparish.com/st.joseph's hall***

**Next Dance
21st February
*Sprig of
Heather***

Parish Office 02882242092

- Pioneers** 07775810297
- Al-Anon Family Group** 028 9068 2368
- Alcoholics Anonymous** 028 9035 1222
- Aware** 028 7126 0602
- Care for Cancer** 028 8224 6599
- Drug Awareness** 0800 776600
- Safeguarding Team** 07596 500793
- The Samaritans** 028 8224 4944
- SVDP Thrift Shop** 028 8225 2000
- SVDP Helpline** 07738837991

PARISH EMERGENCY NUMBER

07858776533 (Only to be used in case of emergency)

**Parish email:
info@drumraghparish.com**

Anam Cara, the organisation that supports bereaved parents, will hold its monthly Parent Support Evening on **Thursday 13th February at 7.30pm in the Radisson Blu Hotel, Letterkenny Co.Donegal.**

This event is free and open to all bereaved parents regardless of the age your child died, the circumstances of their death, or how recent their death was. You do not need to register in advance. We also offer an online support group meeting. To find out more call 01 4045378 or email info@anamcara.ie

GAMBLERS ANONYMOUS

Is gambling affecting your life?
Telephone 028 7135 1329.

Parish Envelopes 2025/2026

Envelopes for next year are being organised this month. If anyone is considering contributing by standing order on or before April 2025, please contact the parish office before **14th February** so that your envelope can be removed from the envelope list. If you are new to the Parish and require an envelope or wish to set up a standing order please also contact the Parish Office.

WHIST

Congratulations to our winners. Eileen Coyle took Top Score, followed by Joe Campbell in second place. D O'Hagan took Highest score in First Half and Second Half was shared by L Donnelly, K McCullagh and P Stankard. Play continues next week in Coach Inn on Sunday at 7 30pm.

“Thank you to everyone for supporting the **Irish Pilgrimage Trust-Group** 190. A total of £4074.82 and €8 was raised. Thank you again to everyone for the generous donations, it will go a long way towards our fundraising target!”



The Royal national institute of the Deaf are holding there bi monthly free drop in event in the Omagh Methodist Church hall on **Thursday the 27th February from 10.30-12-30** come along and have your hearing checked new batteries and how to get the best from your hearing aids.