

*6th Sunday in
Ordinary Time*

16th 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

Jesus uses startling words to challenge conventional values. It's strange to hear him say that being rich, having our fill of food and entertainment, is the road to disaster. How could that be! He's telling us that we are more likely to 'lose ourselves' and 'lose God' when we focus on such things. But the key issue is that we are also more likely to overlook those who live in crisis. To stay close to them is to stay close to God. The truest happiness comes from trusting in God and caring for those in need, not from pursuing wealth or personal comfort. Ultimately, the message is that adopting a godly perspective—one that values selflessness and service over self-centred fulfilment—leads to a richer, more meaningful life.

The Gospel reverses worldly values, calls us to a deeper discipleship, promises that God will put things right in heaven and puts social justice in pride of place.

The Gospel recalls the place of what the Catholic tradition calls "The Corporal Works of Mercy", namely: to give sustenance to the hungry and to the thirsty; to clothe those who need clothes; to aid those who need shelter; to visit those sick or imprisoned and to honour the dead with proper burial. Doing these things grows the spirit and character in us that God calls us to: they make us better citizens and better people.

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.divinemercyconference.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 17th February

Raymond Jamison - Month Mind

Sacrament of Baptism

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

Anthony Kaniauskas

Recently Deceased

***Larry Strain
Eugene Judge***



May they rest in peace

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.

Do This in Memory

First Communion Preparation

A word of welcome to parents and children who are preparing for First Confession and First Holy Communion. This is an important time and journey. The next '**Do This in Memory**' Mass will take place next **Sunday 23rd February 12.00pm.**

LIFE Camp 2025: Living - In - Faith -

Everywhere: LIFE Camp is a voluntary organisation staffed by teachers, students and experienced volunteers. It takes place in St. Mary's College, Northland Road, Derry. We are calling all pupils currently in P3 - P7.

Week 1: Tuesday 1st - Friday 4th July and

Week 2: Monday 7th July - Friday 11th

July. Cost for Week 1 is £35. Cost for Week 2 is £40. To register go

to www.klubfunder.com/Clubs/Life%20Summer%20Camp

VOCATIONS

Today's gospel challenges all of us to 'comfort the afflicted, and to afflict the comfortable' (including ourselves!) We pray for those being called to do so as priests of the diocese of Derry.



Vocations Weekend for men aged 18+ in Drumalis Retreat Centre, Larne, 7-9 March 2025.

Anyone interested should contact 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 18th February AT 8.30pm**

Join the Choir!

Do you enjoy singing with others?
Want to get involved in Drumragh/Cappagh Parish?
Come join our Cross-Parish Choir
No choir experience is necessary



Rehearsals will take place on Saturday evenings before Mass.

Year 10 upwards

Upcoming Dates & Rehearsal times

1st March, Sacred Heart Church, 5pm

5th April, Sacred Heart Church, 5pm

For further information contact 07789001503

Subject: 'Sing for Joy!' - A Day of Music and Ministry

Are you involved, or keen to become involved in Church Music in your Parish, School, University etc.?

We invite you to join us for 'Sing for Joy!' - A Day of Music and Ministry. Saturday 26th April 2025 at Lough Derg, Pettigo, Co. Donegal. Boat departs at 9:30am.

In the prayerful setting of Lough Derg, this day will provide space for the power of music to nourish our spirit and allow us to give praise to God through the beauty of sound, song and silence. There will be various inputs as well as time to pray, connect with others and explore this Sacred place. The day will conclude with the Celebration of the Eucharist at 5pm (open to the public). This day is open to young people aged 18-35 and is free to attend (supported by the Knights of St Columbanus).

Registration is essential via <https://bit.ly/SingforJoy>

For further information please contact info@knightsofstcolumbanusomagh.co.uk / +447759496677.

SPARK: A weekend of fun, faith and friendship for 12-16 year olds

Do you know a young person who would like to build their faith and make new friends? Spark is a weekend experience which follows core themes from YouCat, as well as stories of role models such as Bl. Carlo Acutis and Sr. Clare Crockett, to help young people learn about their faith, while making friends and hopefully having a bit of fun in the process! February 21st - 23rd, 2025 Termonbacca Carmelite Retreat Centre, Derry *How to Book or find out more?* Text or WhatsApp Brendan on +353 86 8067973 or Vivienne on +44 7935 007351 *Cost?* €80/£70 per person (to cover food and board)

Spark is fully endorsed by Bishop McKeown and supported by local diocesan priests. Our adult volunteers are fully vetted and we take safeguarding very seriously. Please note that places are limited and will be allocated on a first come basis.

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

Give blood in St. Joseph's Hall Omagh on Thursday 6th & Friday 7th March 12.30pm-19.30pm



You could save 3 lives!

Book your appointment by tapping on the link - <https://nibts.hscni.net/online-booking-for-blood-donation-appointments/>

St John's Parish Church, Caledon



Spring Craft Fair on Saturday 05 April 2025. 10am – 3pm
A wide variety of stall will be available
Admission: Adults £5/Children £2
Includes Tea/Coffee/Juice/Traybakes
For further details please contact
Lorraine Livingstone
(Tel : 028 3754 8490)

The Royal national institute of the Deaf are holding there bi monthly free drop in event in the Omagh Methodist Church hall on **Thursday 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.

WHIST

Congratulations to all our winners. Pat Stankard took top prize followed by Terry Monaghan in second place. Pat McAnespie and Winnie McSorley shared highest score in the First Half and Eileen Coyle had highest score in Second half. Play continues next week in Coach Inn at 7 30pm on Sunday night. Please encourage everyone to "bring a friend" along!

GAMBLERS ANONYMOUS

Is gambling affecting your life?
Telephone 028 7135 1329.

Webcam Recordings

This is a reminder to parishioners that all recordings on the webcam are automatically deleted after 90 days. A copy of the recording can be downloaded by clicking the download button and saved before the 90 days if required.