

Devenish Parish News Bulletin

Sacred Heart Church



St Molaise Church, Whitehill



Sunday 13th April 2025

Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion.



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Weekly Masses – April 2025

Saturday 12th April	6pm	Josie & Joe Spratt.
Sunday 13th April	11am	Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion – People of the Parish.
Monday 14th April	10am	Mass - Sacred Heart Church.
Tuesday 15th April	7.15am	Mass - Sacred Heart Church.
	10am	Eileen Quinn. Frank & Mary Parkes.
	7.30pm	Service of Reconciliation – Sacred Heart Church.
Wednesday 16th April	10am	Morning Prayer.
Thursday 17th April	7pm	Mass of the Lord's Supper & Adoration at the Altar of Repose until 10pm.
Friday 18th April Good Friday A Day of Fasting & Abstinence	3pm	Celebration of the Lord's Passion.
	7pm	Stations of the Cross – St Molaise Church, Whitehill Followed by Kissing of the Cross.
Saturday 19th April	7pm	Holy Saturday Mass – People of the Parish.
Sunday 20th April	11am	Easter Sunday Mass – People of the Parish.

Mass in the Sacred Heart Church will be available to view on our Webcam -
www.devenishparishirvinestown.com/webcam

Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

The story we have just heard reveals both the worst and the best of the human spirit. The worst of the human spirit, the brutality of the absolute power of the Roman Empire, is there for all to see.

Yet, as is often the way, the worst instincts of some drew forth the best instincts of others.

It is above all Jesus who reveals the best of the human spirit in this hour. He dies as he lived, standing in loving solidarity with sinners, praying for those responsible for his death, promising paradise to a condemned criminal who turned to him for support.

Those best instincts of human nature in the story we have heard can inspire us.

We all struggle to forgive those who have hurt or damaged us, but, like Jesus, we may find it in us to pray for them, asking God to forgive them.

We can all be a Joseph of Arimathea to others, working to take the wounded body of Christ, our suffering sisters and brothers, off their crosses.



Reflection for Holy Week:

Holy Week is a sacred journey that invites us to walk with Jesus through His Passion, Death, and Resurrection.

It is a time to pause, reflect, and enter deeply into the mystery of God's love for us.



As we recall Jesus' entry into Jerusalem, His Last Supper with His disciples, His agony in the garden, and His suffering on the Cross, we are reminded of the depth of His sacrifice.

He endured all of this out of love for us, to redeem us and bring us back to the Father.

This week calls us to examine our own lives: Where do we need to surrender to God's will? How can we love others more selflessly? What burdens do we need to lay at the foot of the Cross?

But Holy Week does not end at the Cross. It culminates in the joy of Easter, the triumph of life over death, and the hope of resurrection.

Let us walk this journey with faith, knowing that through Christ's sacrifice, we are offered the gift of new life. May this Holy Week deepen your relationship with Jesus and prepare your heart to celebrate the joy of His Resurrection.

Amen.

Baptism Dates:

Baptisms will take place on the first Sunday of every month at 12 Noon and the third Saturday of every month at 4pm.

Dates Scheduled for 2023:

April – Sat 19th (Vigil Mass)

May – Sun 4th & Sat 17th

Adoration:

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will take place every Wednesday from 10.30am to 7.30pm in the Committee Room.



Confessions:

Confessions will be held every Saturday evening in the Sacred Heart Church from 5pm – 5.30pm.

An Easter Poem

'At the Tomb'

The dawn broke soft, the world still grey,
She came with spices, knelt to pray.
The stone was rolled, the tomb lay bare,
Her heart cried out in deep despair.

'Why seek the living among the dead?'

The angels spoke, her spirit fled.
Then turned she, heard her name, so clear,
A voice she loved, a voice so near.

'Rabboni!' cried her heart, her soul,
The One she sought had made her whole.

The tomb was empty, death undone,
For Christ had risen, the Morning Sun.

Anon

Webcam:

Mass in the Sacred Heart Church can be viewed via our website on the address below:

www.devenishparish.com/webcam

Mass will also be available via The Church Services website on:

www.churchservices.tv/devenish



Readings for Sunday:

20th April

Easter Day of the Lord's Resurrection:

Acts 10:34A, 37-43;

Colossians 3:1-4;

John 20:1-9.

Legion of Mary Shop:

Opening Hours:

Mon – Fri: After 10am Mass

Saturday: After 6pm Mass

Sunday: After 11am Mass.

Devenish Parish Donations:

Donating is now even easier with our QR Code. Just scan the code using a QR Reader App and select the amount you would like to donate using your debit card.



Parish Collections:

Sunday 6th April: Weekly Collection - £1822. Thank you.

St Vincent DePaul:



Donations received – £237. Thank you, we are very grateful for all donations received. SVP helpline No: 07738838205.

Ministers Rota:

Readers for Holy Thursday & Good Friday Services:

Thursday 17th April – 7pm: Edward McGarrity.

Friday 18th – 3pm: Seamus Doris, Pauline Thompson, Gay Mahon & Paul Cassidy.

Eucharistic Ministers:

Thursday 17th April – 7pm: Carmel Wilson & Margaret McQuaid.

Please see details of the Ministers required to serve at the Masses next weekend below:

Readers:

Sat 19th Apr – 7pm: Martina Corrigan, Joe McQuaid & Dermot O'Hanlon.

Sun 20th Apr – 11am: Eileen Hughes.



Eucharistic Ministers:

Sat 19th Apr – 7pm: Fiona McGarrity & Brian McCaffrey.

Sun 20th Apr – 11am: Rosemary Leonard & Bride McKervey.

Weekday Masses – Week beginning 21st April:

Reader – Mary Doris.

Eucharistic Minister – Rosemary Leonard.



If you are unable to attend, please contact the Parish office to arrange another Minister to fulfil your role that day.

Penance Services:



A Service of Reconciliation will take place on Tuesday 15th April at 7.30pm in the Sacred Heart Church. Services will also be taking place in St Joseph's Church, Ederney on Monday 14th April & St Mary's Church, Pettigo on Wednesday 16th April at 7.30pm.

Mass of Chrism: We will celebrate a Mass of Chrism in the Cathedral in Monaghan on this Holy Thursday. Everyone is invited to join Bishop Larry and the people of our Diocese in this celebration on **Holy Thursday, 17th April at 11am in St Macartan's Cathedral, Monaghan.**



Trocáire Envelopes:

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Env No: _____	17 th April 2025
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Name: _____	
Amount: _____	

Due to a technical error there are no Trocáire envelopes in the new boxes that were recently issued in the Parish. Trócaire is Ireland's leading development charity and relies heavily on parish collections to fund its work. The money raised goes towards development and emergency relief efforts worldwide. In order to facilitate the collection on Holy Thursday, Trocáire envelopes will be available for collection at each of the Church doors this weekend and throughout next week. Please ensure before sending in your donation, that you write your allocated envelope number on the Trocáire envelope. If you are unsure of your allocated number, please contact Fionnuala at the Parish office – 028 686 28600.

Pilgrim Path Week 2025: Celebrate **Pilgrim Path Week** at Lough Derg by joining us



along the Pilgrim Path this Easter Monday 21st April 2025. Choose the option of a 12k or 8k walk guided by Fr La and our Lough Derg team members and learn something of the history of the ancient pilgrimage to St Patrick's Purgatory, stopping at scenic viewpoints along the route. Free Event. Booking Required. Email info@loughderg.org or telephone +353 (0)71 986 1518 for booking info.

Easter Sunday Tea Morning:



Our local John Paull II volunteers are holding an Easter Sunday Morning Tea after Mass on Sunday 20th April in the Committee Rooms at the Sacred Heart Church. Everyone is welcome. All proceeds will be donated to Trocáire.

Celtic Garden:

The clean-up in the Celtic Garden following Storm Eowyn has now been completed and ready to progress into the next phase. We are now inviting our Parishioners to send us your creative ideas to help restore the garden and bring it back to life. Whether it's suggestions for vibrant plant combinations or fun ways to attract pollinators we would love to hear your thoughts. The goal is to create a beautiful, welcoming space that benefits both people of the Parish and the visitors the garden attracts each year. Please contact the Parish Office on 028 686 or via email devenish@clogherparishes.ie.



One Day Retreats – Lough Derg:



One Day Retreats begin at Lough Derg on Sunday 4th May.

Bishop Larry invites all the Faithful from across the diocese to join him and the Papal Nuncio on for the opening day of the Pilgrimage Season in this Jubilee Year, as "Pilgrims of Hope". More details can be found on our website: www.loughderg.org or email info@loughderg.org or telephone: +353 (0)71 9861518

Accord NI is Recruiting: experienced practitioners for the Derry and Enniskillen centres, to train in the specialism of couple counselling. Successful applicants will follow an 18-day (9 weekends) in-person Certificate programme, (144 hours class contact), which will provide the clinical skills essential for safe and ethical couples' work. Course fees paid and placement provided by Accord NI. For further information and to obtain an application form please email us at info@accord.ie Closing date for receipt of applications 30/04/2025. Programme commences September 2025.



Dromore Sunrise Walk: Our annual sunrise walk will be taking place on Saturday 17th May at 4.00am. This year our partner charity will be the local charity AWARE NI. Updates available on our socials or at Dromore Sports Complex.

St Molaise GFC: Lotto Results for Monday 7th April 2025 were 3, 9, 10 & 27. No Jackpot Winner. £25 Consolation Prize winners were Brendan Maguire & Cathering Maguire, Enniskillen. Next week's Jackpot - £10,000.

