

*We remember all
those who died
recently.*

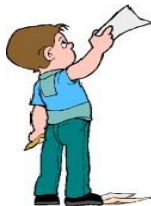
**John Brogan
Jane Neary
Maureen Byrne**



*We give our loved ones
back to you, O Lord; and
just as you did not lose
them in the giving, so we
do not lose them in
returning them to you.*

Do you have a neighbour
who is housebound?
Or do you know someone
who might like to hear what
is going on in the Parish

We would like you to pass
this Newsletter on to them
Also, if you know
someone who would like to
have Holy Communion
brought to them in their
home, please contact the
Parish Office.



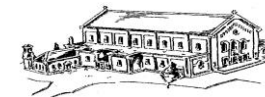
A copy of the Newsletter
can also be downloaded
from the Parish website.
www.mourneroad.ie

Parish of Our Lady of Good Counsel, Mourne Road, Drimnagh

Pastoral Area Crumlin / Mourne Rd. / Clogher Rd.

Fourth Sunday of Easter

26th April 2015



*Eucharistic Adoration
takes place
Monday to Friday
10.30 a.m. to 5 p.m.
in the Oratory.*

*Would you like to spend a little time
alone with the Lord in quiet
prayer? If you have an hour to
spare please leave your name into
the Parish Office.*

VOCATIONS SUNDAY

**"Each of you has a
personal vocation which
He has given you for
your own joy and
sanctity. When a person
is conquered by the fire
of His gaze, no sacrifice
seems too great to
follow Him and give Him
the best of ourselves.
This is what the saints
have always done,
spreading the light of
the Lord ... and
transforming the world
into a welcoming home
for everyone."**

Pope Benedict XVI

**"Many people mistake
our work for our
vocation. Our vocation
is the love of Jesus."**

Mother Teresa

**MASS TIMES: SUNDAYS 6.30pm Vigil, 9am,
10.30 Family Mass & 12 noon Choir
7 p.m. Pastoral Area Mass St. Agnes
10 am MONDAY – SATURDAY
Morning Prayer: 9.40 each morning.
Confessions after 10 a.m. Mass Saturdays or on request.**

Legion of Mary Group meet every Tuesday 2.30 p.m. in the church Meeting Room.
Gospel Reflection Every Wednesday at 9.15 a.m. in the Church Meeting Room.
Eucharistic Prayer – Every Friday 2.30–3.30pm in the Oratory

Trocaire Boxes: We thank everyone who returned their Trocaire Boxes.
Boxes can still be returned to the Parish Office.

First Friday – 1st May

**The 10 a.m. Mass will be offered
for all those on the
Altar List of the Dead**

1st Saturday – 2nd May

**Devotions to
Our Lady of Fatima
take place after 10 a.m. Mass**



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Development Fund

There was no winner of last week's Jackpot.

Numbers 15, 16, 18, 27.

Congratulation to last week's winners of the three €20 Prizes

Next week's Jackpot will be €9,000.

**The Draw takes place on Tuesday morning
after 10 a.m. Mass in the Church Tearoom.**

**Entries for the Lotto draw each week must be put into the safe
in the church by 11 a.m. on Mondays.**

All are welcome to attend the draw.



Parish Office Opening Hours

9.15am to 1pm. & 2pm to 5.15pm. Monday - Wednesday

9.15am to 1pm Thursday & Friday (Closed both afternoons)

Contact: Phone 4556105 Email: mourneroadparish@eircom.net

Website: www.mourneroad.ie.

w/e 19th April 2015

Church Collections

1st Priests: €1,108.00

2nd Share: € 986.00

Envelope Collection

€2,476.00

**Annual Collection for the
support of Dublin Diocesan
Students preparing for
Ordination to the Priesthood
takes place THIS weekend at
all Masses.**

**Lourdes Pilgrimage: If anyone
is interested in a Parish
Pilgrimage to Lourdes
departing on 21st June please
give your name to the Parish
Office as soon as possible. Full
details will be available when
level of interest is known**

Mass Times for St. Agnes

Weekdays 9, 10am & 7pm

Saturday Vigil @ 7.00pm

Sunday 9.30 a.m, 11am, 12.30p.m.

***& 7 p.m. Pastoral Area Evening
Mass***

Mass Times for Clogher Road

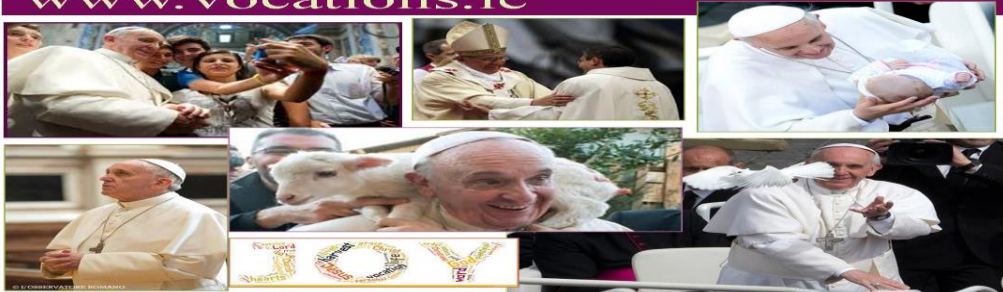
Weekdays 10.00am

Saturday Vigil @ 7.00pm

Sunday 10.00am & 12.00 noon

Priesthood

www.vocations.ie



“Do not be afraid of what God asks of you! It is worth saying ‘yes’ to God.”
Pope Francis

The Matt Talbot Novena Mass for April will be held on Sunday 26th April in Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Sean McDermott Street. It will be animated by the Secular Franciscan Order, of which Matt Talbot was a member for many years. He was enrolled in 1890 and was a member for 35 years, regularly attending meetings at Merchants Quay. When he died on June 7th 1925, he was buried in the habit of the Secular Franciscan order. The Mass will be presided by Fr Angelus Lee OFM, director of the Secular Franciscan Order in Merchants Quay. All devotees of Matt Talbot and St Francis are urged to attend.

Venerable Matt Talbot 90th Anniversary First Friday Novena Mass and prayers for healing. We pray especially for those suffering from any form of addiction, those in recovery, their families and the wider community affected by alcohol and drug misuse. St. Agatha's Church, North William Street, Friday 1st May at 7.30 pm. All are welcome. For further information please visit www.matttalbot.ie

St. Columban 1400th Anniversary Helping parishes celebrate the 1400th anniversary of the death of St. Columban on June 20th and 21st. Two information days will take place at St. Columban's, Dalgan Park, Navan, Co. Meath on Saturday 25th and Tuesday 28th April from 10.00 am to 12.30 pm. A contribution of €12 per person would be appreciated.

Workers' Memorial Day Ireland is a national commemoration event taking place in Dublin on 28th April. Between 2010 and 2014, 253 people in Ireland have been killed in work-related accidents. Inviting parishes to remember those killed or injured in the workplace in Prayers of the Faithful, or at another appropriate time, during Masses on Sunday 26th April. www.hsa.ie



The Meaning of Marriage

Newsletter for dioceses and parishes

Issue 6 for 26 April 2015 – Vocations Sunday

Bishops' pastoral statement:
The Meaning of Marriage



Please read the full text of *The Meaning of Marriage* which is available in English, Irish and Polish on catholicbishops.ie.

"The difference between man and woman is not for opposition, or subordination, but for communion and creation, always in the image and likeness of God."

Pope Francis speaks at his General Audience, 15 April

Produced by the Catholic Communications Office of the Irish Catholic Bishops' Conference. See www.catholicbishops.ie

Extract from the Prayer by Pope Francis for the Synod on the Family

Holy Family of Nazareth, grant that our families too may be places of communion and prayer, authentic schools of the Gospel and small domestic Churches. Amen.

The procreation of children is a gift from God

Last month, after their Spring General Meeting which took place in Maynooth, the bishops of Ireland said:

We come to this debate believing that the union of a man and a woman in marriage, open to the procreation of children, is a gift from God who created us 'male and female'. Reason also points to the truth about human sexuality that makes the relationship between a man and a woman unique. Mothers and fathers bring different, yet complementary gifts and strengths into a child's life.

We cannot support an amendment to the Constitution which redefines marriage and effectively places the union of two men, or two women, on a par with the marriage relationship between a husband and wife which is open to the procreation of children.

We respect the views of people who think differently to us, trusting that our sincerely held views, grounded in faith, will also be heard and respected.

Marriage is important - Reflect before you change it



The effects of the referendum of 22 May will be far reaching for this and for future generations. Catholic bishops are concerned that, should the amendment be passed, it will become increasingly difficult:

- to speak any longer in public about marriage as being between a man and a woman;
- to teach children in school about marriage;
- for those who sincerely continue to believe that marriage is between a man and a woman as they may be forced to act against their conscience.

Can a way be found to protect the civil rights of gay people without undermining the fundamental meaning of marriage as commonly understood across cultures, faiths and down the ages?

For more detail please see www.meaningofmarriage.ie