



**Weekend Mass Schedule**

Fr. Gerry Powell P.P. 4 Hollymount Road Laurencetown Craigavon BT18 6AT Tel: 486 24236 Fax: 486 25440	Masses Saturday 6.00pm Sunday 10.00am 11.00am Clare 7.30pm	Fr. Martin Mc Donagh C.S.Sp. 2 Howes's Hill Road Gifford Craigavon BT18 6AJ Tel: 92838 83126
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**Weekday Mass Schedule**

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
L'wren 10.00am Gifford No Mass	No Mass No Mass	No Mass No Mass	No Mass No Mass	No Mass No Mass

**ANNIVERSARIES**

Sat 24th 6.00pm	Laurencetown Joseph Cooney
Sat 31st 6.00pm	Gifford Margaret Debray Joseph Debray
Sun 1st 11.30am	Gifford Mary Larkin Rosemary Ferris Joe O'Hagan Betsy Campbell
Sun 24th 11.00am	Gifford Stephen Connolly (MM) Sean McCann Shane Duran
Sat 31st 11.00am	Gifford First Holy Communion
Sun 1st 11.00am	Gifford Joseph Brennan Oveas Stephen Connolly
Sat 24th 7.30pm	Gifford Margaret & James Drabney Mary Valley
Sat 31st 7.30pm	Gifford Frank Mary & Molly Cullen Dua & Kathleen Campbell Lary & James Crowe

**Confessions**

Laurencetown, Saturday 2.15 - 5.45pm  
Gifford, Sunday 10.45 - 11.15am

**MINISTERS OF THE WORD**

Sat 24th	Gifford	Clare
J. Monaghan	R. Morgan	
Sun 24th	J. Bryne	J. Hey
Sat 31st	C. Moore	E. Lavery
Sun 1st	J. Campbell	K. McFarland

Diocese Pilgrimage to Frank's Cross 15 June 2008, Sun & Mon 6.00am - 12.00pm  
Laving St. Thelma's Car Park at 7.15am  
Further details please contact Mary Nicholl 48623371

**Practical 2 day training course for Ministers of the Word**

This course is about learning how to read Scripture in public and how best to prepare for that Ministry. The workshops are full of practical guidance and techniques for contributing to the Liturgy of the Word. This developmental Training will give you the opportunity to explore your spiritual tools in preparation for reading.

**DATES:** 14th June & 21st June 2008 (Saturdays)  
**TIME:** 11.00am - 4.30pm, in Drumcree Conference & Retreat Centre Newry.

If interested please contact Marie McStay on 028 41738624

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L'wren	Clare	Gifford	TOTAL
4767.60	4172.18	4332.60	14472.38

**Recently Deceased**

We offer our sincere sympathy to Mrs. Theresa Campbell on the recent death of her father, Joe Campbell, 92 years old.

We also offer our sincere sympathy to Mrs. Kathleen Campbell on the recent death of her father, Joe Campbell, 92 years old.

May they rest in peace.

Fr. Powell and Fr. McDonagh are on retreat this week, Mon 26th-Fri 30th May. In the case of an emergency, please call their contact.

Fr. Tony Corr on 028406 22274.

**Cemetery Sunday - Sunday 31st June 2008**  
Laurencetown 2.00pm & Clare 4.00pm

The ceremony begins inside the church with readings, homily and Benediction. After Benediction the Rosary will be recited and prayers recited for the deceased. You will then be invited to process to the graves for the blessing. The whole ceremony will be relayed through the new outside speaker systems at our churches and cemeteries for the benefit of those who do not come inside the church. We ask that you bring a bottle of water with you which will be blessed after the recitation of the Rosary and then members of your family may, at the appropriate time, sprinkle your family grave with the holy water.

To help our parish meet the increasing costs of the care and maintenance of our cemeteries, parishioners and visitors are asked to be generous to the Cemetery Collection. In preparation for Cemetery Sunday relatives and visitors to our cemeteries are asked to help maintain the sacred character of our cemeteries by ensuring that all rubbish and discarded wreaths are put into the skips or taken away for disposal. To leave discarded wreaths at the end of paths or on open spaces spoils the appearance of our cemeteries and increases the maintenance costs.

**22nd - 30th May**

We are all invited to make this devotion in our own homes. English available in the church porch or you can download this version on our website.

Lord Jesus Christ, your heart was moved by compassion for the men and women who came to you in need. You healed the sick, you fed the hungry, you forgave sinners, you cried over Jerusalem. Above all you showed to those who were prepared to listen the way to true life, for you are the Way, the Truth and the Life.

Lord, your heart is still full of compassion for us today in our many needs. Open our hearts to hear your word to know your love and to respond to your call. In particular I beg you to grant me the favour I now ask (here mention your request), provided that it will contribute to my own eternal good and to the building up of your Kingdom of Justice, peace and love. (Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory be to the Father)

**Tullylish GAC Music Club**

Classes available for the following:  
Bouzouki/Mandolin, Traditional Culture, Bodhran, Fiddle/Violin, Tin Whistle/Fife, Traditional Irish Singing.

Beginners Sunday 10.30am to 12.00pm every fortnight until mid July. Application forms available from local schools or GAC club. For further details please contact 07795118417 or 0752255460.

**GILFORD - Change That Art Group** invite you to the opening of their EXHIBITION (organized by the Arts Council NI) on Thursday 29th May in Oldford Resource Centre, Dambarton St. 7.30pm - 9.30pm. Light refreshments served. This exhibition continues until 6th June and is open 10.00am - 10.00pm and 2.00pm - 4.00pm Monday - Friday.

**Dromore Diocesan Historical Society** Monday 26th May 2008  
Meeting at 7.00pm in Old Tullylish Graveyard (alongside Tullylish Church of Ireland) for an Historical Outing conducted by Blaise Campbell, followed by a visit to Laurencetown Cemetery.

**St. John's Primary School, Gifford** are hoping to make a photo book of pictures taken between 1957 - 2007/2008 to celebrate the school's 50th year. If you have any pictures (showing Gifford) that you would like to donate for this display would you please put your name on the back and contact number so that they can be returned before the end of this school year.

**Cordons in the Theology** (sponsored by Tullyish City Diocesan)

This opportunity is awarded the people from a broad range of backgrounds who wish to begin or continue the Study of Theology. It may be of particular interest to adults who wish to find out more about the Christian faith and its relevance in today's world. The course begins on Monday 15th September 2008. The closing date for registration is 15th June 2008. For more information please contact Bernice at SMA, Drumcree on 028 4173224.

**LOTTO Winning Numbers** 4713034  
**Jackpot Winner: 1000000** Next week: 62, 758  
3 Hot Numbers: 5, 34, 39  
Cold Numbers: 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 35, 36, 37, 38, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100

Offord Together is organizing a Trip to the Ulster American Folk Park in Omagh on Saturday 31st May 2008, with a stop in Omagh town for morning coffee and refreshments at 10.00am. At the folk park enjoy celebrations of a 5th century rural Ulster wedding and experience an 18th century pioneer American wedding complete with old-time music in the Pennsylvania Room. Tickets £15 per person which includes admission as available from Offord Resource Centre. Bus leaves Offord Resource Centre at 9.30 am returning from Folk Park at 5.30 pm. Please contact Rosemary on 3833 1414 for further information.

Many of our young parishioners are preparing to take their exams. We wish them well and ensure them of our prayers at this stressful time.

O God of wisdom,  
I come to you this day and ask you to illuminate my mind and heart.  
Let your Holy Spirit be with me as I prepare for exams,  
guiding my studies and giving me insight  
so that I can perform to the best of my ability.  
Please grant me the strength to handle the pressure of these final days,  
the confidence to feel secure in my knowledge, and the ability to keep an appropriate perspective through it all.  
Help me to keep my mind on what is really important,  
even as I focus all my time and energy on those exams in the immediate future.  
That I ask through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

