

Pentecost Sunday

Tullylish Parish

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11th May 08

Weekend Mass Schedule			
Fr. Gerry Powell P.P. 4 Hollynash Road Laurencetown Craigavon BT18 6AT Tel: 406 24236 Fax: 406 25440	Masses	Sunday	Fr. Martin Mc Donagh C.S.Sp. 2 Howson's Hill Road Gifford Craigavon BT18 6AJ Tel: 82838 831256
	Laurencetown	6.00pm	10.00am
	Gifford	-----	11.00am
	Clare	7.30pm	-----

Weekday Mass Schedule				
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
L'wren	7.30pm	10.00am	7.30pm	10.00am
Gifford	10.00am	10.00am	10.00am	10.00am

ANNIVERSARIES		MINISTERS OF THE WORD		
Laurencetown		L'wren	Gifford	Clare
Sat 10th 6.00pm	Kathleen, Mary & Paddy Maguire	Sat 11th P. Jordan	8.00pm	8.00pm
Sun 11th 10.00am	Elizabeth, Patrick & Jimmy Sherratt Thomas Cunningham	Sun 12th P. Jordan	8.00pm	8.00pm
Wed 14th 7.30pm	James and Sallie Byrne James and Roseann Campbell, Tullylish	Sat 17th P. Jordan	8.00pm	8.00pm
Sat 17th 6.00pm	Bridie and Vincent O'Dowd	Sun 18th A. Byrne	8.00pm	8.00pm
Gifford				
Sun 11th 11.30am	Owen Flanagan (O.M.) Bernie McQuillan Edward Robinson			
Sat 17th 11.30am	-----			
Clare				
Sat 10th 7.30pm	Sean McAllister			
Sat 17th 7.30pm	Bridie & Vincent O'Dowd			

Recently Deceased

We remember in our prayers
Mr. Joseph McCannell
Caldwell Park, Bally
and we offer our sincere sympathy to his
wife, daughter, son, daughter, daughter, daughter
and the entire family circle.

First Holy Communion
Gifford
Saturday 31st May
11.00am

Cemetery Sunday 1st June
Laurencetown 2.30pm
Clare at 4.00pm

Lourdes Pre-Pilgrimage Mass
Sat 10th May 2008 The Clare 7.30pm

Practise boxes are available in each church.

PLEASE DONOT PUT MONEY IN THESE BOXES.

If anyone would like Mass offered in Lourdes, please contact Fr. Powell, who is travelling to Lourdes. Candle donations should be given to a member of the Lourdes Committee.

We send our prayers and best wishes to all who are travelling to Lourdes, especially those who will be staying at the Lourdes Hospital. For those who are not travelling on this year's pilgrimage, you can join in spirit by reciting the following prayer each day from Sat 17th to Sat 24th.

Prayer to our Lady of Lourdes

Blessed be the Holy and Immaculate Conception of the Virgin Mary, Mother of God.
Our Lady of Lourdes, pray for us.
Mary, our Mother, have pity on us.
Our Lady of Lourdes, lead us, for the love and honour of the Holy Trinity.
Our Lady of Lourdes, lead us, for the conversion of sinners.
Heads of the sick, pray for us.
Success of efforts, prayer for us.
O Mary conceived without sin,
pray for us who have sinned so often (3).
O God, through the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, who prepared a fit dwelling for thy son, we humbly extend thee to grant us, who adore the Apparition of the Immaculate Virgin, heads of soul and body. Through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen

If you, or a member of your family is ill, housebound or in hospital and you would like Fr. Powell or Fr. McDonagh to call, please let us know.

BURMA APPEAL

Trocare has launched an emergency appeal for the people of Burma after a cyclone ripped through the country over the weekend. **Tens of thousands of people are believed to have been killed, and about a million left homeless by last week's storm.**

"Access for aid workers is difficult right now," according to Maurice McQuillan, head of Trocare's emergency team. "Getting into Burma is our main priority so that we can assess the damage and get food, shelter, clean water and medical assistance to where it's needed. Burma is a poor country and will need a lot of help to cope with a disaster of this scale." The storm, called Cyclone Nargis, hit on the morning of Saturday, May 1, destroying tens of thousands of homes and badly damaging infrastructure in Burma's largest city Yangon (Rangoon). "Trocare has been working in Burma since 1991 and we're asking the public to support the people of Burma, who are unbelievably vulnerable at this time." You may donate on-line at trocare.org, call 1850 401 401 to make a donation. Donations will be accepted at the parish office or any place we may place an envelope in the collection basket marked clearly **BURMA APPEAL**.

THE MAY COLLECTION

At mentioned last week, included in the Offertory Envelope Envelopes but for this weekend is an envelope for "Sick and Relief Prayers". In an effort to give this collection a deserved priority for the first time it will take place in every church and parish of the Diocese of Down on the same date.

It is hoped that the second weekend in May will remain a fixed date in future years to focus on what we are calling **"The May Collection"** for our Sick and Relief Prayers.

We are appealing to parishioners to seriously consider how they can support the growing number of patients in retirement.

PLEASE BE AS GENEROUS AS YOU POSSIBLY CAN

Some might like to use the form printed below. It offers the option of a donation, a Standing Bank Order or a bequest in your Will.

THE MAY COLLECTION

I would like to help our church to care for patients who are sick and retired, and/or interested in supporting **"THE MAY COLLECTION"** by making a special donation to:

☐ The May Collection
☐ by setting up a Monthly Standing Bank Order
☐ by including The May Collection in my Will

Sign: _____
Name: _____
Address: _____
Post code: _____

Please send your completed form to:
Bishop's Secretary, c/o Bishop's House,
44 Anson Road,
Newry, Co. Down BT24 4PH

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OTTO Wrenn, 713A 17
Droghda, Wick, Co. Wick, BT24 4PH
3 No. Wrenn - J. Wrenn, 3. Wrenn, 8. Doyle
Don't forget to check out the new website:
www.tullylish.com

G.A.C. Drew Wrenn - This week - Bernadette Condon Previous winners - Vincent Byrne, Eileen Kennedy

Dromore Diocese
Human Fertilisation and Embryology Bill
Monday 12th May 2008
St. Peter's Hall, North Street, Lurgan

Monday 26th May 2008
Meeting at 7.00pm in
Old Tullylish Graveyard
(adjacent to Tullylish Church of Ireland)
for an Historical Outing conducted by
Piusdott Campbell followed by a
tour of Tullylish Catholic Cemetery

The debate on the controversial
Human Fertilisation and Embryology Bill
is scheduled to begin in Westminster on Monday
12th May. It is designed to increase expenditure
on vulnerable human embryos. It will also ex-
tend expenditure on research embryos. In addition, a child's
sister for a father will not be recognized if her test
tube babies under this bill. Within the same bill,
pre-embryos will be used to create the first
children. Please phone your MP at the House of
Commons on 020 7215 2000 to ask him/her to
vote against this bill. For more details contact
SPU on 020 7091 or e-mail info@spu.org

Previous Life - a video for the unborn child
ask you to make with them in 3 days of Prayer
and Fasting against this bill (12th-14th May)
For further info, contact
Previous Life 020 90 279464

The Traditional May Altar

Like the May devotions themselves, the custom of the May Altar stems from southern European countries. A report from France in 1942 speaks of Our Lady's altar in May showing off in rich splendour, while the families also erected and decorated small home altars. "At of nature, devoted to her (P) in song, it presented to her Mary, who is herself 'a rose of Sharon, a lily of the valley' (Song of Songs 2:1).

To make a traditional May altar place a statue of Our Lady in your living room and make a little shrine. Place the statue on a pretty cloth and then decorate with flowers - bluebells, pansies, the white Mayflower and other wild flowers are traditional.

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 these exams in the immediate future.
Thou I ask through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen