



Donaghmoyne Parish.

Second Sunday of Easter 19th April 2020 Divine Mercy Sunday

Parish Bulletin: now available on www.donaghmoyne.com.

Parish Radio: St Patrick's Broomfield: 102.4 FM. St Lastra's Donaghmoyne: 87.5FM. St Mary's Lisdoonan: 107FM.

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Mission Statement: Our Parish is a Christ-centred community. In Baptism, we are challenged by the Spirit to live and share the Gospel message. Through proclaiming the Gospel message by word and Action, our community in celebrating the Liturgy, working for Justice , Charity, Ecumenism and the Needy and Vulnerable, we extend our love and care to all people, providing support in renewing and Deepening our faith. We value the gifts and talents of each of our Parishioners and invite them to use these in responding to Christ's invitation to all of us to follow Him in spreading the Good News.

Donaghmoyne Masses.

No Public Masses until further Notice.

Lisdoonan Masses.

No Public Masses until further Notice.

During these challenging times, it is important that we pray for our families, our communities and our country. Just because public Masses have ceased doesn't mean that prayer should cease. It is needed now more than ever.

With this in mind, the following is encouraged-

- The Rosary.
- The Angelus.
- Divine Mercy Chaplet.
- Stations of the Cross.
- Prayerful reflection.

Broomfield Masses.

No Public Masses until further notice.

Mass will be celebrated privately on Sundays at 11.30am in Broomfield Church and will go out over the Parish Radio on 102.4 FM.

Baptisms St Patrick's Church Broomfield.

Due to the Covid 19 Pandemic Baptisms and Marriages throughout the Diocese of Clogher have been postponed until further notice

Please pray for Peter Gallagher, Ballyshannon, father of Frances O'Brien, Tullanacrunnat North and Susan Duffy, Magheraclone, sister of the late Fr Augustine Duffy, former PP, Donaghmoyne, who have died recently. May God grant them eternal rest and comfort their families in their grief.

Monaghan County Council Community Call Helpline is now open to respond to the needs of our vulnerable members of society at this time.

Call 1800 804 158 or send a free text to HELP followed by your name to 50555. The helpdesk is open 7 days a week from 8am to 8pm. If you need help with getting your groceries, fuel delivery, lift to medical appointment, pharmacy collections or anything else that you are unable to get access to at this time the helpline staff will assign the call to the appropriate agency to help you.

Parish Envelopes can be dropped in via the letter box on the back door of Broomfield Parochial House (Parish Office) We would like to thank those parishioners who have very kindly dropped in their weekly offering envelopes and Trocaire Envelope into the Parish Office. If possible, we ask you to continue this practice for the foreseeable future. Thank you very much. **Donations to Donaghmoyne Parish** can also be made via clogherdiocese.ie. You can go to the web page, in the bottom left-hand corner you will find a box with **Donate** written on it. If you press this box it will open a facility that enables the individual to select alternatives for a once off payment or monthly payment for up to 24 months. The individual selects the amount of the contribution, the parish of choice, their own bank details, any comment the may wish to add and an e-mail contact.



1 PRAYER IN THIS TIME OF CHALLENGE. Bishop Larry Duffy.

God of Love, we the people of the Diocese of Clogher turn to you with prayerful hearts and with confidence in your loving presence among us now and in every moment of our lives. We stand before you as a people of hope, trusting in your care and protection. May we be comforted by your love in these anxious times.

Generous and Merciful God, fill us with compassion and concern for others, young and old; that we may look after each other in these challenging times, especially those among us who are vulnerable. May your example give us the courage we need to go to the margins, wherever they

may be. Heal us of our fear. **Healing God**, bring healing to those who are sick with the Coronavirus and be with their families and neighbours. We pray especially for those who are isolated, that they may know your love. Stay by our side in this time of uncertainty and sorrow. **God of Strength**, accompany all those who serve us with such love and generosity in the medical profession and in all our healthcare facilities. We give thanks for their continued work in the service of people. We ask you to bless them, strengthen them and guide them with your abundant goodness. **God of Wisdom**, we ask you to guide the leaders in healthcare and governance; that they may make the right decisions for the wellbeing of people. **O God of creation and God of life**, we, your people here in Clogher, place ourselves and our world in your protection and love. May your peace be with us and enfold us today, tomorrow and during the time ahead. We make our prayer through the intercession of Mary our Mother, and all the saints. St Joseph, pray for us. St Patrick, pray for us. St Macartan, pray for us. St Davnet, pray for us. St Fanchea, pray for us. May all the saints of God, pray for us, Amen!

The Deep End – People of Light

Watching the news or reading the newspapers, can be hugely upsetting these days. Often it seems there is nothing but bad news. People are suffering all over the world due to unjust economic systems, cruel political regimes, greed, economic degradation and now the corona virus – Covid 19.....the list goes on. In our own country, thousands of people are homeless, and despite much discussion of the problem, the situation does not seem to be improving. Hateful rhetoric is becoming more widespread and the lines dividing people more pronounced.

Of course it can be easy to lose hope and for our faith to go through shaky patches. With so much suffering in the world, it is no wonder that we sometimes ask the question: where is God in all of this?

In today's Gospel, we meet a doubter, Thomas. As one of Jesus' disciples, he has been through the mill. Their great friend and teacher, Jesus, the one who promised them the world, has been brutally killed, his awful suffering is fresh in their minds. Their own lives are in danger, so they are lying low. It is a time of despair so, it is little wonder that he does not dare to believe the other disciples when they say they have seen the Lord. When death and despair are all around, we can be like Thomas. We are all at sea, afraid of what the future will bring.

Jesus greets his disciples with the simple blessing: "Peace be with you". In their fear and despair, he comes and stands among them, calming their troubled hearts. The Resurrection of Jesus shows us there is hope. We are called not only to experience the risen Jesus, but to be people of the Resurrection. Where there is darkness, Jesus calls us to be people of light. Fr John Byrne OSA.

Victim Assistance: We are all overwhelmed by the Corona virus outbreak and we hope that you and yours are all safe and healthy. Now more than ever we need to stay calm, be resourceful, and do what we do best: focus on supporting each other. As a national charity, that offers "emotional" and "practical" support to all victims of crime and those and their families who have experienced a "traumatic" incident, we want to reassure all concerned that we at Victim Assistance are committed to continuing our service to those who need us. Whilst some of our staff are working remotely, we can be contacted through our **National Helpline** at 1800 277 477, our office telephone 094-9000251 or by **e-mail** at support@victimassistance.ie. Our offices are manned Monday - Friday 9.30am – 5.30pm, during these difficult times. Remember social distancing doesn't mean social isolation – we are here to help.

Trocaire Lenten Campaign: Our most sincere thanks to all who have dropped their Trocaire Envelope into the Parish Office in Broomfield. We invite others who would like to do the same, to drop their Trocaire Envelope or Trocaire Box into the Parrish Office before the end of April. We would then hope to send our Trocaire Collection through the Diocesan Office to Trocaire, where it will be greatly appreciated, as the Trocaire workers continue their most important work among the poorest in our world at a most challenging time. Again we say a Big Thank You to all who are continuing to support the Parish, the Priests and Trocaire, in these very strange and difficult times for us all.

RTE News Now Channel continues to televise Mass at 10.30am each weekday morning at 10.30am. The RTE News Now channel can be accessed on Saorview (Channel 21), on Sky (Channel 521) and also on Eir (Channel 500).