

DONAGHMORE PARISH BULLETIN

1ST MARCH 2026
SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

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PARISH OFFICE OPENING HOURS: MONDAY, TUESDAY 9.30 AM TO 1.00 PM, FRIDAY 10 AM TO 1.00 PM

Please make contact with staff by telephone on 028 30821549 or by email. Anniversary Masses can be booked by telephone or email. If you have queries regarding Baptisms, Marriages or other future event, please telephone or email the office. **All items to be included in the Parish Bulletin should be forwarded to the Parish Office by 12noon on Wednesday.**

PARISH COUNCIL MEMBERS

Chair: Gary Lyons, **Committee:** Fr Kevin Conway, Jan Hall, Elaine Hamilton, Deirdre Kennedy, Bernie Kerr, Barney Mackin, Donal McNally, Denis Murtagh, Bernie Smyth, Gervase Strain, Hugh Turley.

MASSES IN DONAGHMORE PARISH THIS COMING WEEK

Sunday 1st March —10.00 am Saint Mary's Church Barr
Monday 2nd March —9.00 am Saint Mary's Church Barr
Tuesday 3rd March - 9.00 am Saint Mary's Church Barr
Wednesday 4th March —**NO MASS**
Thursday 5th March — 9.00 am Saint John's Church Glenn
Friday 6th March —9.00 am Saint John's Church Glenn
Adoration of The Blessed Sacrament after Friday morning Mass

Friday 6th March - 7.00 pm St Mary's Barr
Holy Hour Lenten Preparation
Saturday 7th March -6.00pm Vigil Mass Saint John's Church Glenn

SICK/HOUSEBOUND

Fr Kevin will be visiting the sick and housebound during the first week of March. Anyone who wishes to have Fr Kevin call to their home please contact the parish office with a day and time that suits.

UPCOMING SERVICES

St Patrick's Day Mass Tuesday 17th March
10 am St Mary's Barr
First Confession Holy Communion Monday 30th March
St Mary's Barr at 7.00 pm
Lenten Penitential Service Tuesday 31st March
St John's Glenn at 7 pm
The Lord's Supper—Holy Thursday 2nd April
St John's Glenn at 7 pm
Stations of the Cross - Good Friday 3rd April
St John's Glenn at 3 pm
The Lord's Passion—Good Friday 3rd April
St Mary's Barr at 7 pm

Baptised and Sent:

Youth Faith in Action!

A Gathering of Young Adults (16 - 30+ years old)

Thursday 5th March 2026

6.30 p.m. – 9.15 p.m.

Anyone wishing to attend can book via
email youthdirector@dromorediocese.org

Dromantine Retreat and Conference Centre

96 Glen Road, Newry, Co Down, Newry, Co Down, BT34 1RH

EXTRA-ORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

Saint John's Church Glenn - Saturday evening

March—Brea Friel & Michelle Lowery

April—Donna Lyons & Shauna Dooley

Saint Mary's Church, Barr- Sunday morning

March—Susan Mackin & Michael McNally

April—Bernadette Murtagh & Gerard Brooks

MINISTERS OF THE WORD

Saint John's Church, Glenn - Saturday evening

March—Gervase Strain

April—Clare Rafferty

Saint Mary's Church, Barr- Sunday morning

March—Margaret Devlin

April—Joan Byrne

PARISH ANNIVERSARIES AND INTENTIONS

Saturday 28th February 6 pm St John's Glenn

Seamus Kennedy, Beech Hill

Sunday 1st March 10 am St Mary's Barr

M.M. Leo Burns, Balmoral Park, Newry
1st Anniversary Paul McNulty, Glenn Road
Willie and Maureen Savage, Glenn Road
John Paul Bagnall, Glenn and
John David Bagnall, Barr
Gerard McNally and Deceased Family Members

Saturday 7th March 6 pm St John's Glenn

Maureen Cunningham, Glenn Road
George and Teresa McParland, Beech Hill

Sunday 8th March 10 am St Mary's Barr

Teresa McCrink, Barr Crescent and Deceased
Members of the McCrink Family, Fourtowns
*May their souls
and the souls of the faithful departed,
rest in peace.
Amen.*

LECTIO FOR LENT will begin on
Monday 2nd March at 7.30 pm
in **Barr Parish Centre.**

Lectio will continue each Monday for 4 weeks.
Everyone welcome, there is no commitment to
attend every week feel free to attend any or all
of the meetings.

DONAGHMORE PARISH - CHURCH SERVICES TV

PARISHIONERS PLEASE NOTE THAT THERE IS A WEB CAMERA IN SAINT JOHN THE EVANGELIST CHURCH, GLENN AND SAINT MARY'S CHURCH BARR. All Masses in the churches will be live streamed.

To access **GLENN:** search <https://www.churchservices.tv/glenn>

To Access **BARR:** search <https://www.churchservices.tv/barr>

Church Webcam's now have the facilitate to record.

If requested, Funeral and Occasion Masses can be recorded. Booking is essential. To enable the programme to be activated prior notice is required. Please contact the Parish Office to arrange.

DONAGHMORE LOURDES COMMITTEE

The Dromore Diocese Pilgrimage to Lourdes will take place from 15th to 20th May 2026.

For anyone wishing to go to Lourdes as a Pilgrim or an Assisted Pilgrim please contact the Lourdes Committee Secretary on 07739392544 or via email at donaghmorelourdes@gmail.com

International Women's Day – Sunday 8 March 2026

Next Sunday, our parish will join the Archdiocese of Armagh and Dromore Diocese in celebrating International Women's Day. We will give thanks for the women who contribute so much to the life of our Church—through ministry, service, leadership, and quiet dedication.

DISCERNMENT RETREAT FOR DIOCESAN PRIESTHOOD

"They left everything at once and followed him" (Lk 5:11)

Thinking about a calling to serve? Join us for an in-person Discernment Retreat designed to help you explore the path to the diocesan priesthood.

It's a relaxed space to reflect, ask questions, and connect with others on the same journey. Come as you are and take time to listen to where your heart might be leading!

Residential weekend: 6–8 March 2026

Drumalis Retreat Centre, Larne.

For more details contact Fr Brian Fitzpatrick on

pp.moyraverty.seagoe@gmail.com,

or search 'discernment retreat' in Larne on [eventbrite.co.uk](https://www.eventbrite.co.uk) to book a free place online.

Organised by Northern Dioceses' Vocations Directors.

DROMORE DIOCESAN HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Monday 9th MARCH 2026: @7:30PM

The Society will host an online lecture by **Geoff Cobb** entitled **Celtic Park, New York and Irish American Olympians.** We are delighted to welcome back our New York contributor, Geoff Cobb. Geoff, the author of four books on Brooklyn history, and a 2021 publication entitled, "The Irish in New York: Profiles of New Yorkers who have Shaped the Empire State", is vice president for local history for the New York Irish History Round Table and a regular contributor to Irish America magazine. The **ZOOM** room will open at 7:15pm.

The talk will start at 7:30PM sharp. A link to the talk can be obtained by e-mailing the Hon Secretary goss.jim@gmail.com and will be forwarded on Monday March 9th.

SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN & VULNERABLE ADULTS:

IMPORTANT TELEPHONE NUMBERS

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safeguardingdirector@dromorediocese.org

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0800 783 7745 N.I. Childline: 0800 1111

ACCORD NI:

MARRIAGE PREPARATION PROGRAMME

ACCORD cares about your relationship and your future together. The marriage preparation course we offer is designed with you in mind. Your Marriage Preparation Course offers both of you the opportunity to reflect on how you communicate, to explore your understanding of commitment, how to manage conflict, how to be responsible parents and live the sacrament of marriage.

You can book your Marriage Preparation Course by calling ACCORD Newry on 028 3026 3577 or visit their website at www.accordni.com

BARR PARISH CENTRE The Parish Centre in Barr is available for use by groups or members of the community. The Centre has excellent kitchen facilities, with disabled access and toilet. Anyone wishing to use the Centre should contact the Parish Office or Fr Kevin.

DONAGHMORE PARISH

Envelopes and Standing Orders

22nd February 2026 Weekly £ 914.00

Loose Plate £ 164.50

Thank you for your continued generosity.

Glenn GAC Lotto Draw Sunday Sunday 22nd February 2026

Winning Numbers
2, 22, 23, 24

No Jackpot Winner

1 Match 3 Winner £ 50
Leah Rodgers

Next Week's Jackpot **£ 11,300**
Next Draw **Sunday 1st March 2026**