

DONAGHMORE PARISH BULLETIN

22ND MARCH 2026
FIFTH 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 22nd March —10.00 am Saint Mary's Church Barr

Monday 23rd March —9.00 am Saint Mary's Church Barr

Tuesday 24th March— 9.00 am St Mary's Barr

Wednesday 25th March —**NO MASS**

Thursday 26th March — 9.00 am Saint John's Church Glenn

Friday 27th March —9.00 am Saint John's Church Glenn

Adoration of The Blessed Sacrament after Friday morning Mass

Saturday 28th March -6.00pm Vigil Mass Saint John's Church Glenn

SICK/HOUSEBOUND

Anyone who wishes to have Fr Kevin call to their home please contact the parish office with a day and time that suits.

GIFT AID

Donating through Gift Aid means charities can claim an extra 25p for every £1 you give. It will not cost you any extra.

As a result of Gift Aid enrolment for the year 2024/25 the parish has received **£ 15,151.68**

If you are a tax payer and regularly donate to the parish, the parish can claim back from HMRC the basic rate tax you have paid on the amount of your donation. The parish can take your donation and then reclaim from HMRC the 25% tax that you originally paid.

This process has no impact on you as a tax payer.

If you are interested in signing-up to Gift Aid forms are available via email donaghmoreparish@dromorediocese.org

Alternatively, you can return the Gift Aid card provided with your Offertory Envelopes.

Thank you for your financial support.

LECTIO FOR LENT continues each

Monday at 7.30 pm

in **Barr Parish Centre.**

Everyone welcome, there is no commitment to attend every week feel free to attend any or all of the meetings.

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 21st March 6 pm St John's Glenn

Seamus Magee, Crieve, Newry

Sunday 22nd March 10 am St Mary's Barr

1st Anniversary Seamus McConville, School Road

Jim Hanna, Lurganare

Peter, Margaret, Jimmy, Patsy, Oliver and

Peter (Jnr) Murtagh, Lurganare

Saturday 28th March 6 pm St John's Glenn

No Masses Booked

Sunday 29th March 10 am St Mary's Barr

M.M. Dinny Lennon

*May their souls
and the souls of the faithful departed,
rest in peace.
Amen.*

CLEANING ROTA APRIL

St Mary's Barr

Claire McNally and Ann-Marie McNally

St John's Glenn

Mary Lively, Clodagh Strain-McDonnell and

Deirdre Kennedy

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 facility 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.

CATHOLIC CHURCH WEDDING NOTICE PERIOD

In the Catholic Church, the minimum notice period for a wedding ceremony is six months. This allows couples to gather necessary paperwork, such as baptismal/confirmation certificates and statutory declarations of freedom, and to prepare for the actual celebration of the sacrament in church. It is important to give notice to the State Registrar also.

UPCOMING SERVICES

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

Holy Saturday - The Easter Vigil Mass—Saturday 4th April

St John's Glenn at 7.30 pm

Easter Sunday— The Resurrection of The Lord—Sunday 5th April

St Mary's Barr at 10 am

First Holy Communion Saturday 16th May

St John's Glenn at 11 am

Confirmation Friday 29th May

St Mary's Barr at 6.30 pm

Graveyard Mass Sunday 21st June

St Mary's Barr at 11 am

DIRECT DEBITS

DD is a sure way of supporting the Parish on a regular basis.

We encourage parishioners to consider setting up a Direct Debit to support the Parish. It is a safe and stress free way of contributing to the running costs of your Parish.

We would ask you to consider signing a Direct Debit form before the new envelopes are issued in April.

If you are interested in contributing to the Church via direct debit, forms are available from the Parish office.

A sincere thanks for your continued support. Parish Council

SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN & VULNERABLE ADULTS:

IMPORTANT TELEPHONE NUMBERS

Diocesan Designated Person:

Stephen Sherry 07301 246 329

safeguardingdirector@dromorediocese.org

Local Contact Person:

Cathy Devine 07714 214 702

Southern Health & Social Care Trust:

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

15th March 2026 Weekly £ 899.00

Loose Plate £ 109.00

Thank you for your continued generosity.

Glenn GAC Lotto Draw Sunday Sunday 15th March 2026

Winning Numbers

6, 14, 18, 23

No Jackpot Winner

3 Match 3 Winners £ 20 each

Eliza Brown, Kathleen Marmion,
Conor Boyle

Next Week's Jackpot **£ 11,600**

Next Draw **Sunday 22nd March 2026**