

**DONAGHMORE
PARISH BULLETIN**
17TH MAY 2026
THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

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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 17th May —10.00 am Saint Mary's Church Barr
Monday 18th May —9.00 am Saint Mary's Church Barr
Tuesday 19th May— 9.00 am Saint Mary's Church Barr
Wednesday 20th May —**NO MASS**
Thursday 21st May — 9.00 am Saint John's Church Glenn
Friday 22nd May —9.00 am Saint John's Church Glenn
Adoration of The Blessed Sacrament after Friday morning Mass

Saturday 23rd May -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.

SCARAMENT OF FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Congratulations to the girls and boys of St Mary's Primary School Barr who received their First Holy Communion in St John's Church Glenn on Saturday.
May the children always know the peace of Jesus, the light of his love, and the joy of his life within them. May they continue to grow in the love of God.

Prayer Before Holy Communion—Act of Faith

O God, because you said it,
I believe that I shall receive the Body of Jesus to eat,
and the Blood of Jesus to drink. I believe this with all my heart.

Prayer After Holy Communion—Act of Thanks

O Jesus, I thank you for coming to me in Holy Communion

UPCOMING SERVICES

Confirmation Friday 29th May
St Mary's Barr at 6.30 pm
Graveyard Mass Sunday 21st June
St Mary's Barr at 11 am

EXTRA-ORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

Saint John's Church Glenn - Saturday evening
May—Michael Grant & Donal McNally
June—Brea Friel & Caoimhne Murtagh
Saint Mary's Church, Barr- Sunday morning
May—Michael McNally and Eva Kerr
June—Carmel Murphy & Mona Lavery
MINISTERS OF THE WORD
Saint John's Church, Glenn - Saturday evening
May—Fiona Murphy
June—Grainne Rafferty
Saint Mary's Church, Barr- Sunday morning
May—Teresa Mac Rory
June—Clodagh Strain-McDonnell

PARISH ANNIVERSARIES AND INTENTIONS

Saturday 16th May 6 pm St John's Glenn

Mass is offered for the sick and the housebound

Sunday 17th May 10 am St Mary's Barr

Mary Devlin, 2 Kennedy Villas

Saturday 23rd May 6 pm St John's Glenn

Agnes McConville, Barr Hill

Sunday 24th May 10 am St Mary's Barr

Deceased Members of Donaghmore Lourdes Committee
Jim Murphy, Newry
Aidan Kennedy, Lurganare and Rostrevor
James, Lily and Declan Morgan, May and Kate Savage and Deceased family members
Annie, Jimmy and Bridie Cookson, Lurganare
John Murphy, Lurganare

*O Heavenly Mother, hear my prayer.
I come to your sheltering arms for protection
and comfort. I bring to you my needs and desires.
Wipe away my tears when I am weakened by
sorrow and bring me peace through your love
and intercession. Amen.*

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.

DONAGHMORE LOURDES COMMITTEE

The **annual collection** for the Donaghmore Lourdes Fund will take place at the both Masses next weekend 23rd and 24th May
Thank you for you continued support.
Donaghmore Lourdes Committee

SMA DROMANTINE ANNUAL PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK Saturday 23rd May Bus leaving Dromantine 7am to arrive in Knock before 11am and leaving Knock at 5.15pm Cost - not yet decided. Please contact Dromantine 028 30821224

Mary's Meals

A representative from Mary's Meals will speak at Mass this weekend about their life-changing work of feeding a daily school meal to over 3 million children in some of the world's poorest countries of the world. Mary's Meals welcomes your prayers in support of their work There will also be a collection after both Masses. Further information about Mary's Meals can be found at www.marysmeals.org.uk

DROMORE DIOCESAN HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Monday 18th MAY: @7:30pm in **BALLYNAHINCH PARISH CENTRE**
The Society's next event of its 2026 programme is a talk by Padraig Coyle entitled "The Life of Fr Patrick Kelly, Co Down priest and member of the French Resistance in WW2".

Padraig Coyle is a well-known journalist and broadcaster.
Admission £1.00. All welcome

PILGRIMAGE TO FATIMA

14th - 21st August 2026
Flying Direct from Belfast International Airport
Convenient flight times - £850pps
7 nights F/B Avenida Hotel
Spiritual Director: Fr Andrew McMahon

Further information contact Joe Catney: 07776425631

SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN & VULNERABLE ADULTS:

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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

10th May 2026 Weekly £ 859.00
Loose Plate £ 106.55

Thank you for your continued generosity.

**Glenn GAC Lotto Draw Sunday
Sunday 10th May 2026**

Winning Numbers

7, 11, 26, 33

No Jackpot Winner
No Match 3 Winner

Next Week's **Jackpot £ 12,400**

Next Draw **Sunday 17th May 2026**