

St. Patrick's Church, Ballinderry

Parish Priest
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Week Commencing
21st October 2023

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SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday Vigil at 6:30pm
Sunday at 10am

Live transmission at www.churchservices.tv/ballinderry and Parish Radio

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday & Saturday at 10am

NO MORNING MASS ON WEDNESDAY THIS WEEK

Live transmission at www.churchservices.tv/ballinderry and Parish Radio

CHURCH OPENING HOURS

Monday – Sunday 8am – 5pm

Visitors are advised that webcam may be in use.

ALL GOD'S CHILDREN PROGRAMME LAUNCHED FOR NEW SCHOOL YEAR IN BALLINDERRY PARISH

Thank you to the parents of those children attending Ballylifford and Derrychrin schools, who are preparing for First Holy Communion in May 2024, for their attendance at the inaugural meeting on Tuesday evening. Derrychrin school kindly hosted the meeting this year; we thank Mr McElroy, the school Principal and Mrs Fiona Conway, Principal of Ballylifford, for their presence and support. The programme will be delivered in both schools by Miss Philomena McGuckin and co-ordinated by Mrs Geraldine Mullan. A partnership between family, school and parish in supporting the children in their faith development, the All God's Children programme was designed for Ballinderry parish by the Parish Pastoral Council.

BOARD OF GOVERNORS MEET

The next meeting of the Board of Governors of Ballylifford Primary school will take place on Wednesday 8th November. The Governors play an important role in school governance, strategic planning, school finance, recruitment and retention of personnel. The Parish Family greatly appreciates members commitment to primary school education in Ballinderry Parish.

TWO NEW DEACONS FOR SERVICE IN ARMAGH ARCHDIOCESE

Francesco and Davis, two seminarians from REDEMPTORIS MATER SEMINARY, Dundalk, were ordained Deacons on Sunday in St Patrick's Cathedral. They will now have parish placements while they complete their studies, before ordination to the Priesthood and service in the Archdiocese of Armagh. Both of them visited Ballinderry and spoke at weekend Masses last Spring. Other seminarians visited Magherafelt, Moneymore, Loup and Newbridge. We should keep them all in our prayers.

LET'S TALK AND PRAY TOGETHER

Gatherings for younger people, late teens and upwards, Friday evenings at 7.30pm in the Magherafelt Parish Centre. Finding your purpose in life. Joy, Happiness, Friendship, Faith. Everyone welcome to come along.

LITURGY GROUP NOVEMBER

Saturday 4th November Michaela McKay Sunday 5th November Celine McGuckin
Saturday 11th November Michaela McKay Sunday 12th November Celine McGuckin
Saturday 18th November Margaret Ann McKee Sunday 19th November Ruth Bullock
Saturday 25th November Margaret Ann McKee Sunday 26th November Ruth Bullock

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS NOVEMBER

Saturday Mary McIvor

Sunday Sinead Crozier

JOHN PAUL 11 AWARDS PROGRAMME

School students from Ballinderry Parish are invited to make contact with the programme co-ordinator, Mrs Geraldine Mullan, to arrange their involvement in the parish-based part of the programme. The staff members responsible at St Mary's Grammar School and St Pius X College, Magherafelt also have Ballinderry parish contact details.

SICK AND HOUSEBOUND VISITATION

The Parish Family greatly appreciate the contribution of those involved in the Ministry of bringing Holy Communion to the sick and Housebound. If you have a family member who wishes to be attended by Fr. Donnelly or one of the Eucharistic ministry team, please telephone the Parochial House 028 79418244.

CONFIRMATION 2024

Bishop Michael Router, Auxiliary Bishop of Armagh, will confirm children from our two parish schools in March 2024. Full details to follow from the Principals of Derrychrin and Ballylifford Primary Schools.

MID-ULSTER DISTRICT COUNCIL

The Marriage Registration Service have written in connection with Notification of Marriage Forms. **The Bride and Groom must** complete a Notification of Marriage Form.

The officiating Priest must sign both forms.

Signed forms should be returned to the Registrar's Office 8-10 weeks before the wedding date. Telephone 03000 13232 to make an appointment to return forms. Bride, Groom or Family Member may return the forms.

Fr Donnelly writes:

Couples are advised that the above regulations set out the Legal Requirements.

Compliance in all cases is essential.