Parish Priest	Week Commencing	Telephone
Fr. Peter Donnelly	20 th April 2024	02879418244

PARISH ENVELOPES

Weekly envelopes have been delivered to homes in Ballinderry Parish. It is important to emphasise that the weekly collection is the sole means of revenue to maintain and manage the Church, Gravevard, Church Grounds and Church properties.

We receive no funding from public agencies, grants or subsidies of any kind and all parishes are, of necessity, required to be self-sufficient.

Ballinderry Parish Finance Committee has statutory responsibility for all parish funds. An Annual Financial Statement of professionally audited accounts, approved by the committee and the Archdiocesan Authorities and His Majesty's Revenue and Customs, is made available to Parishoners on the last Sunday of November, the end of the Church's liturgical year.

BALLINDERRY HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION DONATION

Ballinderry Historical Association has made a very generous donation to Parish Funds. A cross community group, the association has produced two publications, catalogued copies available at the Linen Hall Library in Belfast and in addition organised a series of very successful talks and tours.

LITURGY GROUP FOR APRIL

Saturday 20th April - Aine McCusker Sunday 21st April - Ruth Bullock Saturday 27th April - Aine McCusker Sunday 28th April - Ruth Bullock

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS FOR APRIL

Saturday Vigil - Patsy McCusker Sunday 10am - Clare O'Kane

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION IN BALLINDERRY

Pupils from our two parish schools will celebrate the Sacrament of First Holy Communion in St Patrick's Church, on Saturday 11th May, at 11am. The Principals of Derrychrin and Ballylifford Primary Schools will issue further details to the families concerned.

FAMILY MASS FOR MAY

The families of Matthew Mallon, Eva-Mae Wilson, Emma Rocks, Ethan Atkinson, Anna Mallon will assist at Mass on Sunday 12th May. This will conclude the All God's Children Programme for the current school year.

SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday Vigil at 6:30pm Sunday at 10am Live transmission at www.churchservices.tv/ballinderry and Parish Radio

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday - Saturday 10am 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.

ORDINATION TO THE PRIESTHOOD

Two seminarians from the Armagh Diocesan Seminary, Redemptoris Mater Dundalk, were ordained to the Priesthood for service in the Armagh Archdiocese. Francesco Campiello and Davis Haberkorn were ordained by Archbishop Eamon Martin in St Patrick's Cathedral, Armagh on Saturday 20th April at 2.30pm. Francesco, originally from Italy and Davis, originally from the USA visited Ballinderry parish last Spring and spoke at weekend Masses and met parishioners afterwards. We are asked to remember both in our prayers, particularly at this time.

BALLINDERRY PARISH FORWARDS £5,000 TO TROCAIRE FOR HUMANITARIAN AID

Ballinderry Parish has forwarded a cheque for £5,000 to the Trocaire Lenten Appeal Fund in aid of drought-stricken Malawi. The proceeds of family donations and additional fundraising by Derrychrin and Ballylifford Schools, our parish contribution, combined with other monies from parishes throughout Ireland, marks a generous Christian response to the humanitarian crisis. May God reward all who helped.

BALLINDERRY PARISH WELCOMES TWELVE STUDENTS FOR PRIESTHOOD

Next weekend, 27th/28th April, twelve seminarians who are all studying for the Priesthood for service in the Armagh Archdiocese, will visit the families of Ballinderry Parish, calling at family homes and also meeting people after Mass.

They come from a number of different countries of origin but when ordained, they will be ministering in our parishes in Co Derry, Co Tyrone, Co Armagh and Co Louth.

Next weekend's visit will be an informal opportunity for the students to meet the people and for the people to meet them.

Parishioners will give them a very warm welcome to our parish.