

***Third Sunday in Ordinary Time (year C)***  
*24th January 2016*

Next weekend's Scripture Pg 212(New Missal) **Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time(year C)**

Jeremiah 1:4-5,17-19

Psalm Ps70:1-6.15.17.R.v.15

My Lips will tell of your help.

Corinthians 12:31-13:13

Luke 4:21-30

Fr Sean 041 9838520

Fr. Larry 041 9834293

**THE WORD**

This weekend (Pg.200New Missal)

**7.30pm** Niall Moonan

**11.00am** Owen Fox

Next weekend

**7.30pm** Nuala Yelland

**11.00am** David Maguire

**HOLY COMMUNION**

This weekend

**7.30pm** Rosemary Russell

**11.00am** Bernadette Black

Next weekend

**7.30pm** Greta Boylan

**11.00am** Áine Taffee

**SERVERS**

This week

Hannah Lowe & Eimear Halpin

Next week

Adam Reilly & Jessica Kells

Altar Society members for week ending 29<sup>th</sup> Jan & 5<sup>th</sup> Feb.

Joan Murphy Kathleen Gaynor & Mona Winters.

Psalm Ps 18:8-10.15.R.Jn.6:63

Your words are spirit, Lord, and they are life.

Next 'Confirming our Children' Mass : Sat 6<sup>th</sup> February

'Do This In Memory' (First Communion Preparation) :Sun 21<sup>st</sup> February.

**St Brigid**

**Feb 1<sup>st</sup>**

**Candlemas Day**

**Feb 2<sup>nd</sup>**

**St Blaise**

**Feb 3<sup>rd</sup>**

**Ash Wednesday**

**Feb 10<sup>th</sup>**

**Palm Sunday**

**Mar 20<sup>th</sup>**

**Easter Sunday**

**Mar 27<sup>th</sup>**

**Corpus Christi**

**May 29<sup>th</sup>**

**World day of Prayer** – Friday 4<sup>th</sup> March (St Peter's C o I) Drogheda

A **Holy Door** was opened in St Peter's Church on 13<sup>th</sup> December. During the year we might be able to arrange a pilgrimage to St Peter's.

Thanks to everyone who is praying for the candidates for the **Sacrament of Confirmation**.

## Masses & Anniversaries

Saturday	23	7:30pm	Alice, Liam & Gerry Taaffe All deceased members of the Taaffe Family
Sunday	24	8:30am	Mass
Sunday	24	11:00am	Oliver & Margaret Floyd Jemmy & Katie Traynor
Monday	25	7:30pm	Mass
Tuesday	26	7:30pm	Mass for Parishioners
Wednesday	27	7:30pm	Mass
Thursday	28	9:00am	Mass
Friday	29	7:30pm	Eilish Byrne
Saturday	30	7:30pm	John Tuite
Sunday	31	8:30am	Gerry & Antoinette Russell
Sunday	31	11:00am	Evelyn Brannigan & James Farnan

**Adoration Friday nights at 7:00pm** Church of the Assumption

Last week Collection €530. Many, many thanks to you for sustaining your contributions to the Weekly and Dues collection.

**Due to an increase in numbers our Masses may now be shared.**

**New Minister of Holy Communion rotas available in the sacristy**

**New Minister of the Word rotas & new Missals available in the sacristy.**

**New Altar Society rotas available in the sacristy.**

**January Day by Day** books available. Cost €1:50

**If in hospital** and want a visit: contact Fr Caraher 9834293.

The **Young Adult Prayer Group** (between 18 and 40?) led by the Franciscan Sisters of the Renewal 041 983 0441.

### **St Peter's Parish, Drogheda**

Are you age 15y-18y and interested in gaining Parish Community Leadership skills. St. Peter's Parish are holding a Peer 4 Peer Community Leadership skills & Pastoral Care programme starting February the 10th 7pm -9pm for 8 Sessions. Limited places, cost free, enquirers and registration to Deacon John Taaffe 086 8611531

**The Armagh Diocesan Pastoral Centre** 0429336393 (10am – 2pm)

The Magnet, The Demesne, Dundalk

Beginning Experience: Coping programme for Widowed, Separated & Divorced; 14<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup> January & 4<sup>th</sup> February 2016: 5 Thursday evenings 8pm-10pm. Registration required.

Bereavement Support: One to one Bereavement Support - confidentiality assured. Appointment not necessary (No cost involved); Thursdays 10.30am – 12.30pm

**Cumann Seanchais Ard Mhacha**: The first lecture in the 2016 programme marks the contribution of Canon Diarmuid Mac Íomhair of this diocese to Irish scholarship in the 1960s. The lecture, 'The poems of Blathmac and Diarmuid Mac Íomhair' will be given by Dr Brian Lambkin of the Mellon Centre for Migration Studies in Tyrone, on Wednesday 3 February 2016 at 8:00pm in the Cardinal Ó Fiaich Library and Archive. All are welcome for the lecture. Eoin Magennis, Editor; +447825140326.

**Pray for the success of the 51st International Eucharistic Congress.** Sun 24<sup>th</sup> – Sun 31<sup>st</sup> Jan 2016; at Cebu, the Philippines. The theme: '*Christ in You, Our Hope of Glory*' will give the Congress a focus on mission.

### **Diocesan Pastoral Plan prayer**

Father, Son and Holy Spirit, Trinity of love, Guide the plans and actions of Your Church in the Archdiocese of Armagh.

At this time You are calling us to a deeper understanding of our faith;

You are inviting us to worship you in a prayerful Spirit-filled manner;

You commission us to be courageous witnesses to the Joy of the Gospel.

Pour out Your Spirit on us. Rekindle in us the fire of Your love.

Give us courage to reach out in service to others, accompanying them with Your mercy, so that everyone can share the joy of a personal encounter with You.

Saints of Armagh: St. Patrick, St. Brigid, St. Malachy, St. Oliver Plunkett,

walk with us on our pilgrim way. Naomh Mhuire, Máthair Dé, gu orainn

Amen.

**An Croí Wisdom Institute:** Tullyallen (Old Credit Union). [www.ancroi.ie/](http://www.ancroi.ie/) [ancroi@eircom.net](mailto:ancroi@eircom.net); 041 9805050; 087 6240071. Geraldine Holton & Carmel Byrne.

**Lenten Retreat:** Fri 12<sup>th</sup> 6pm (With Supper)- Sun 14<sup>th</sup> February (after Lunch): A Fresh Look at Lent. Directed by Philip Mc Parland. This retreat will offer some reflections on the meaning and purpose of this sacred season. In particular, it will explore the way in which Lent speaks to our contemporary culture. Cost: €140 Residential, €80 Non-Residential. Ards Friary on 074 91 38909 or email [info@ardsfriary.ie](mailto:info@ardsfriary.ie)

**Parish Bingo** – Tuesday's 8.30p.m. in Mellifont Parochial Hall, Tullyallen. Good company & good prizes.

### **Glen Ements Adult and Juvenile Registration 2016.**

Registration will take place in the club rooms on Friday, 5<sup>th</sup> February from 7.00p.m. - 8.30p.m. and Sunday, 21<sup>st</sup> February from 10.00am to 12.00 noon. In addition to the registration we will have the club shop open.

Many thanks to everyone who organised or supported our

### **Christian Unity Service.**

**Three days of mercy** at the beginning of February, Mass will be celebrated each night at 7.30p.m. All are welcome to celebrate the blessings of mercy in these days.

February 1<sup>st</sup> St. Brigid, Abbess and secondary Patron of Ireland, celebrated for her mercy and generosity to the sick and to the poor. St. Brigid Crosses will be blessed at this Mass.

February 2<sup>nd</sup> The Presentation of the Lord. People are asked to gather in the church porch for 7.30p.m. Candles will be blessed, then lit and carried in procession from the church porch to welcome Christ, the merciful light, the light to enlighten the Gentiles and the glory of his people. Mass will then be celebrated in the usual manner after the recitation of the Gloria.

February 3<sup>rd</sup>- Feast of St. Blaise, Bishop & Martyr, at this Mass we recall the mercy St. Blaise showed to animals and those with ailments. The traditional blessing of the throats will take place at this Mass.

### **Parish Pastoral Council (PPC) AGM.**

The members of the PPC invite you to our AGM (Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> February; 8pm in the Parochial House). We meet once per month to discuss how we can promote Faith development, Outreach & Worship. Come to our AGM; bring your ideas. Former & New members welcome. Copies of the Constitution are available in the Sacristy.

The **Africa Magazine** supports the work of the St. Patrick's Missionary Society Kiltegan, Co. Wicklow. This magazine has inspired young people to become missionaries and brought support to countless mission enterprises. Readers are informed of the changing challenge facing the missionary and gives them a sense of belonging in the frontier work of the Church. The magazine has lots of interesting articles on a variety of topics. If you wish to subscribe to this magazine; please leave your name and contact details in the sacristy (before Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> of February) for Mr. Moonan who is co-ordinating the Africa Magazine. Subscription is 10euro a year. This might be an opportunity for you to engage in outreach in this year of Mercy.