

**Parishes of Bellaghy (Ballyscullion)
and Greenlough
24 December 2023
Fourth Sunday of Advent.**


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Mass Times

Sat 23: 5.30pm Greenlough 7pm Bellaghy
Sun 24: *Please note: no morning Mass*
5.30pm Greenlough 7pm Bellaghy
7pm Ballyscullion
Mon 25: 10am Ballyscullion 11.15am Bellaghy
11.15am Greenlough
Tues, Wed, Thurs & Fri (26-29 Dec): No Mass
Sat 30: 5.30pm Greenlough 7pm Bellaghy.
Sun 31: 9am Greenlough
10am Ballyscullion 11am Bellaghy
Mon 1: 11am Bellaghy 11am Greenlough
Tues, Wed & Thurs (2-4 Jan): No Mass
Fri 5: 9.30am Bellaghy
Vigil for Holyday: 7.30pm Greenlough
7.30pm Ballyscullion
Sat 6: Feast Of The Epiphany 10am Bellaghy
5.30pm Greenlough 7pm Bellaghy
Sun 7: 9am Greenlough, 10am Ballyscullion
11am Bellaghy

The Offertory Collection for last week was: 
Bellaghy Parish: £2,650.00
Greenlough Parish: £1,132.53 **Thank you.**
The Annual Christmas Collection will be taken up at the Masses on Christmas Eve and Christmas morning. Please use the envelope provided.
Please make cheques payable to: St Mary's Parish, Bellaghy or St Mary's Parish, Greenlough.

Deaths: We offer our sympathy to the family and friends of **Philomena McErlean (Greenlough), Mary Scullion (Ballyscullion), Conor Kerr (Maghera), Harry Downey (Ballynease / Norwich)**, who died recently.

Anniversaries this week:

Sat/Sun 23/24: Vincent Hamill (Anniversary Mass 5.30pm 23 Dec), Shelley Mullan, Denise Bradley & Henry Lynn (Anniversary Mass 5.30pm 24 Dec), Joe O'Neill, Fr Michael Mullan & Susan Mullan (Anniversary Mass Greenlough at 11.15am 25 Dec), Mary Convery, Barney Lynn, Mary Ann O'Neill, Charles John Agnew, Seamus Gribbin, Bidy Joyce, Rosemary McKeever, Barney Lynn, Frank McCann, James Diamond, Geraldine McErlean, Sheila Scullion, Margaret McErlean, Maeve Scullion (25th Anniversary), Kevin McErlean, Bernadette Walsh, Chris Walsh, Margaret Mackle, Ellen Mackle, Bridget McErlean, Catherine Scullion, James Scullion, Mary O'Neill, Jim Graffin, Kathleen Loughlin, Mary Boorman, Francis Roch Brennan, Geoffrey & Denise McCrystal, James McErlean, Henry Lynn, Cahal McQuillan, Mary Jane Lagan.

Sat/Sun 30/31: Liddy Taggart & Mick Clarke (Anniversary Mass at 5.30pm), Barney Mawhinney (Anniversary Mass at 7pm), Tommy Clarke & Colm Clarke (Anniversary Mass 7.30pm in Greenlough Fri 5 Jan), Gerry McGaghey, Alice Doherty, Mary Diamond, Mary Donnelly, James McErlean, Patsy Brennan, Mary, Vincent, and Maureen McNeill.

Sat/Sun 6/7: Willie Lagan, Willie Anthony McPeake & Christopher O'Neill (Anniversary Mass at 5.30pm), John McClenaghan (Anniversary Mass at 7pm), Katie Glackin (Anniversary Mass at 7pm), John Francis Doherty, Ella McConomy, Joe O'Kane, Kevin Scullion, Thomas Murphy, Thomas Edward McCloskey, Barry McCloskey, Felix Rankin, Henry McQuillan. **May they rest in peace.**

January Schedules:

Eucharistic Ministers: Weekdays: Kevin Toner
Vigil: G Toner, C Kerr, C Gallagher, T McGoldrick.
11am: K Doherty, C Scullion, R Donnelly.
Readers: Vigil: Francis Graffin
11am: Donna Doherty
Weekdays: Mon: M Scullion **Wed:** A Scott
Fri: M Kilpatrick
Car Park: Eugene Cassidy & Leo Neeson.
Altar Society: Mairead & Nuala Diamond.
Church Cleaners: Teresa Devlin, Anne Scott and Dolores Mulholland.
Stewards: Vigil: Paddy Downey, Hugh Griffin.
11am: Sean Rea, Patrick Griffin, Michael Keenan.

Greenlough Counters for January: Pat Kelly, Lenny Kelly, Francis Lynn & Liam Maguire.

Children's Liturgy will resume on Sat 13 Jan Vigil Mass.

Meeting for Couples getting married:

There will be a meeting in the Prayer Room at St Mary's Church, Bellaghy, at 2pm on Sunday 28 January for all couples getting married in the parishes of Bellaghy and Greenlough in 2024 and early 2025. Couples from the parishes who are planning to marry elsewhere are welcome to attend.



We welcome into God's family through Baptism:

Shéa Vaughan McNally, Culbane Road
Ava Rose McQuillan, Broagh Road.



Vocations: That Mary's "Yes" to the Lord will be an inspiration to all those called to serve the Church as priests of the diocese of Derry.

St Mary's:

As we celebrate Christmas we give thanks to Almighty God who "...loved the world so much that He sent His Only Son into the world to save us." We also give thanks for the blessings that came our way in 2023, whether individually or within our families or parish community. We are blessed in these parishes to have so many people who offer their gifts and talents freely for the building up of God's Kingdom here in the south east of the diocese, and all those who contribute financially or otherwise to the Church. As we approach another New Year, please God, we will continue to work together for the glory of God and the good of God's people.

You might consider—among your other New Year's resolutions—to attend Mass more regularly, to pray at home, and to offer your time and talents to your parish. Perhaps 2024 will be the year when those who follow Mass via the webcam or television will join us in the church for the celebration of Mass, if they are able to do so.

May God bless us all at Christmas and throughout the year ahead. Pope Francis has asked us to make 2024 a Year of Prayer in preparation for the Holy Year 2025.

Fr Pat

Sacred Heart Messenger Magazine: Any outstanding payments (subscription is £22 per year) should be made to the Parish Office or Sacristy as soon as possible.

ST PIUS X COLLEGE, MAGHERAFELT Open Day is on Saturday 13th January 2024. Invitations will be distributed to P7 pupils. Parents/Guardians are asked to note the time allocated for their particular Primary School.