

SUNDAY



Tamlaght
O'Crilly
Greenlough

Third Sunday of Easter 19 April 2026

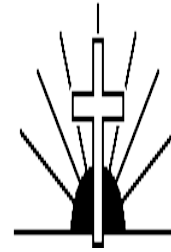
Of all the parables and stories Jesus told to preach the message of the merciful love of God, the story of the Prodigal Son, this weekend's Gospel, is possibly the best known.

According to the dictionary, prodigal primarily describes someone recklessly wasteful, extravagant, or spending money foolishly. As a noun, it refers to a spendthrift or someone returning after a long absence, which is what it means in reference to the Prodigal Son.

It also means giving or yielding in an abundant, lavish manner. So it can be applied as much to the father in the story as to the son.

The father here represents the good, loving, merciful, and forgiving God we believe in, thanks to Jesus. We're invited to entrust ourselves to the God whose love and mercy are always available to us, especially in the Sacrament of Reconciliation/Confession.

Bishop Dónal McKeown was ordained bishop on 29 April 2001. He has been Bishop of Derry since 2014. He will celebrate the Silver Jubilee of his episcopal ordination at Mass in St Eugene's Cathedral, Derry, at 3pm next Sunday, 26 April. Please keep Bishop McKeown in your prayers as he continues to lead our diocese.



Sunday 19 April 2026

GREENLOUGH PARISH

Tuesday 21 April:	9.30am
	Rosary: 7.30pm
Thursday 23 April:	Adoration: 9.00am - 5.00pm
Friday 24 April:	7.30pm
<i>Month's Mind Mass for Paul Madden</i>	
Saturday 25 April:	First Holy Communion 12.00noon
Fourth Sunday of Easter	
Saturday 25 April:	Streamed to Bellaghy 5.30pm
Sunday 26 April:	Streamed from Bellaghy 11.00am

BELLAGHY

Monday 20 April:	9.30am
Wednesday 22 April:	9.30am
Friday 24 April: Adoration:	10.00am to 8.00pm
	Rosary at 7.30pm
Saturday 25 April:	(Streamed from Greenlough) 5.30pm
Sunday 26 April:	(Streamed to Greenlough) 11.00am

BALLYSCULLION

Sunday 26 April:	9.45am
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Deaths: We offer our sympathy to the family and friends of Patrick McGlone, New Jersey (Brother-in-law of Jim Law), Elma Fullerton, Bellaghy and Anna Climie, Kilrea (formerly Glenone) who died recently.

Anniversaries: Pope Francis, Mary Murray, Eddie Scullion, Elizabeth Scullion, John Martin, Julia Martin, Patrick McLaughlin, Kieran MacOscar, Liam McErlean, Rosemary Kearney, Rosemary McPeake, William McPeake, Mamie McErlean.



CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Every Saturday
during 5.30pm Mass.



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We pray that the hearts of our seminarians and the men discerning a vocation to the diocesan priesthood will burn with the fire of the Gospel and with a desire to preach and spread the Good News of the Resurrection of Jesus from the dead.



This year's televised Mass for Good Shepherd Sunday will take place on Sunday, April 26 at 11:00 am from St. Canice's Catholic Church in Kilkenny. RTE will broadcast this mass live from St. Canice's church on the day. **Bishop Phonsie Cullinan**, Chair of the Council for Vocations, will be the principal celebrant. He will be joined by **Fr. Willie Purcell**, National Vocations Coordinator for Diocesan Priesthood, who will concelebrate the Mass. Carol King, National Vocations Office, Seminarians from St. Patrick's College, Maynooth, with members of the Knights of St. Columbanus, the vocations society of St. Joseph, and parishioners of St. Canice's parish will also be in attendance.

Our Lady of Lourdes Pilgrimage Society's 7 Night Annual Pilgrimage to Lourdes 8 to 15 July 2026 from Belfast International Airport and staying at Hotel Agena - £949 based on 2 people sharing. Contact Kathleen McCann 028 79632205 or 07719701925



PROSTRATE OURSELVES BEFORE THE LORD
Hosted by **Patrick McCrystal**, Executive Director of Human Life International (Ireland), **Saturday 25 April** at 7.00pm at the **Drummond Hotel, Limavady**, Co Derry - an evening of Encouragement, Proclamation, Repentance, Seeking God's mercy for our Nation and Prayer for Healing. All Welcome.

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First Holy Communion
Saturday 25 April at 12.00 Noon

We pray especially this week for the boys and girls who will be making their Holy Communion next Saturday in our parish. We also pray for their parents and families, their teachers and everyone involved in their preparations.



Fr Pat hopes to attend the Sick & Housebound this week on Monday 20 April: Bellaghy B Tuesday 21 April: Greenlough B; Friday 24 April: Bellaghy C



Parish Collections
5 April 2026 - Weekly: £1068.50; Monthly: £626.50;
Cash: £451.84; Clerical Education: £98.
Lourdes Hospitalité: £55; Holy Lands Collection: £150.
12 April 2026 - Weekly: £602.00.



Trócaire Collection 2026 - Total raised so far: £4171.94 stg & €50.00.
Thank you for your generosity.
We would be grateful if all Boxes could be returned to the Church over the next two weekends.



GIFT AID CLAIM: We will be sending in our claim at the end of April. If you are part of the Gift Aid scheme and your circumstances have changed in the last few years, e.g. *giftaid it*
Have retired or become unemployed and no longer pay income tax please contact the parish office 028 2582 1190 so we do not make a false claim.

Our Weekly Rosary continues in the Church every Tuesday at 7.30pm. Everyone Welcome!



NEWSLETTER DEADLINE: WEDNESDAY - 10.00AM

THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE OPEN ON TUESDAY & THURSDAY THIS WEEK.

