

**PROVISIONAL DATES FOR CONFIRMATION
AND FIRST HOLY COMMUNION**



The Parish is making provisional plans to administer the Sacrament of Confirmation in Holy Family Church Coalisland on Tuesday 25th, Wednesday 26th and Thursday 27th August at 7.30pm and in St Mary's Stewartstown on Friday 28th August at 5.00pm.

Hopefully the Sacrament of First Holy Communion will be celebrated in Holy Family Church, Coalisland on Tuesday 22nd, Wednesday 23rd and Thursday 24th September at 7.30pm and in St Mary's Stewartstown at a time to be confirmed between Fr Seery and St Mary's PS.



At present a limitation on attendance will be in place but this will be monitored as the time approaches.

CONTACT NUMBERS FOR CLERGY

At the moment and over the summer months it may not always be possible for your local priest to be available. In case of an emergency, Clergy can be contacted at any of the numbers below.

Fr O'Neill – Brackaville – 02887740221	Fr Seery - Stewartstown - 02887739133
Canon Fee - Clonoe - 02887749184	Fr McCallion – Brocagh - 02887738381
Fr McGuigan – Moortown - 02886737236	Dean Donaghy – Dungannon - 02887722775

INTERNET BROADCASTING: Mass and other services will be broadcast each day over the internet. The operator of the system is Fr. Eugene O'Neill PP, Parochial House, Coalisland, Tel 8774 0221, to whom queries should be referred.

PARISH EMAIL: coalislandparish@yahoo.co.uk **PARISH WEBSITE:** www.ballyclogdonaghenny.org

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This weekend we reach the last weekend of June and in our minds we prepare ourselves to enter into the Summer holiday season. This year summer holidays will probably be very different for us all, especially after those weird months of isolation and the constant reminders to still stay alert, but I think at this stage we're all ready for a little mental break and ready to give ourselves a little rest if possible. It's strange how simple things are what we look forward to most, and I'm looking forward to slipping away for a few days mid summer to just spend sometime with my own family (fair notice given there I hear you sigh). Little things are such a comfort to us all, and I do hope this summer you get the chance to do something to just step away from the worries for a few days or hours. A break away, some time spent more relaxedly with family, a trip to a restaurant, a match visited, anything that charges the batteries for you. Being realistic in our watching of the news, none of us really know what the autumn and winter will bring, so use the next few months well to just take care of you and yours and to have a smile and laugh wherever you can. Any important updates regarding Parish activities will be posted on the website homepage and announced at Masses.

The past few months have been very odd, but despite the oddness I would just like to take this chance, in this last bulletin of summer, to thank you all for your kindness and support. In normal times so many people do so much that can often go unnoticed, to you I say thanks, because all those things make a huge difference. A special word of thanks this year to our Sacristans who have been there every day through thick and thin, and have crossed that great line of not being sacristans, but being friends. To all who have joined online for our services, to all who have help keep the parish running, and to everyone for making the sacrifices asked - everyone has done their bit and it's to all of your credit. We don't know when normal will return competely but it will return some day. Until then, have a most wonderful summer, relax when you can, laugh where you can, be safe and still try to keep that wee eye out for each other.

With best wishes for the summer,
Fr O'Neill

ROSARY at Our Lady's Grotto Sunday to Friday at 8 pm.

THE DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET - Wednesday @ 7pm.

BAPTISMS Bookings are now being taken again for baptisms which resume next week. To book please contact the parish office by email: coalislandparish@yahoo.co.uk and arrangements will be made for the coming weeks.

FUNERALS: are still **strictly limited to immediate family only** until further guidance is given.

WEDDINGS: are now permitted to resume indoors and a government guidance as to attendance numbers will be given on Monday 29th June.

CONFESSIONS: will resume at a date to be announced over the coming weeks.

HOLY FAMILY CHURCH

NOVENA MASS: Monday 29th June, 7.30pm

FIRST ANNIVERSARY: Sunday 28th June, 12.00pm - Peadar O'Hagan

MASS FOR END OF SCHOOL YEAR: Tuesday 30th June, 10.00am

FIRST ANNIVERSARY: Wednesday 1st July, 10.00am - Raymond Byrne

FIRST ANNIVERSARY: Thursday 2nd July, 10.00am - Eileen Hayton

ROSARY will be recited on Wednesday evenings at 6.00pm

ST. MARY'S CHURCH, STEWARTSTOWN

Mass: Wednesday 1st & Friday 3rd July at 10.00am

Mass: Sunday 5th July at 10.30am (Subject to change)

ST. MARY & ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH

CHURCH OPEN FOR DAILY PRAYER: 8.30AM - 6.00PM

MASS TRANSFERRED TO HOLY FAMILY CHURCH AT PRESENT

COLLECTION: Sunday 21st June: £1763.70

Many thanks for your generosity. If anyone would like to make a donation by cheque please make cheques payable to "Coalisland Catholic Church".

If anyone would like to arrange donations to the Parish by Standing Order, please contact the Parish Office for any necessary details. Thank you to those who already contribute in this way.

LATELY DECEASED: Please pray for Julian Arthur; Patrick Hughes; Pat McAtasney; Paddy Joe McAleer; Sandra Stadnik; Elizabeth Murphy; Annie Madden

STRICT PROCEDURE FOR CHURCH REOPENING

On Thursday Stormont announced the reopening of Churches for Services on 29th June, and while some limitations have yet to be announced we will resume Masses in Holy Family Church on 29th June and in St Mary's Stewartstown on 1st July. St Mary & St Joseph's Church will not be used for the next short while. This is all dependent on society maintaining a low level of infection and to enable that we are all asked to act responsibly and follow all local guidelines adapted to each Church. It's not about me and I, it's about us.

NUMBER LIMITATION & PRE-BOOKING

Under the most recent guidance, **Holy Family Church can safely accommodate 175 people maximum for any Mass. St Mary's Stewartstown can safely accommodate 50 people maximum for any Mass.** To offer a fair and controlled system **ALL THOSE WHO WISH TO ATTEND MUST BOOK THEIR PLACE IN ADVANCE.** Booking sheets will be available in both Churches two days before any Mass. **Every person** attending must be booked to attend, **giving their name and a contact number**, to ensure tracing if any local outbreak should occur. **Complete a numbered slot for each person hoping to attend and take note of your number.** This will be checked on arrival. If all slots are taken, move to the next available day. There are a total of 1400 slots per week for Coalisland Church and 250 slots per week for Stewartstown Church. Please don't be selfish in your booking - give everyone who is comfortable a chance to attend also remember those who may have anniversaries booked for a particular day. If you are not booked for a particular Mass please don't try to attend that day as no one wants to be in a position of having to turn anyone away. **Maximum capacity numbers cannot be exceeded.**

In both Churches **enter by the main front doors only and exit by the side doors.** Side doors will be locked until Mass has begun. A steward will check that you have booked and another steward will help you to designated seating. Some seats will be completely closed and all safe seating will be clearly marked. Please respect these signs and restrictions, because everyone's health could depend on you alone.

If you are nervous of returning to communal worship at this time, all services will be streamed and remain accessible via the webcam and **will fulfill your Sunday obligation** at present. If you are free to attend a weekday Mass consider doing so and leave weekend spaces for those who cannot be there during the week.

Hygiene is a priority. Sanitisers have been fitted in all our Church porches and I would strongly encourage you to adopt every procedure possible to ensure your own health and that of others.

Holy Communion - will be distributed, but **you must receive in the hand** and not on the tongue for the time being. No exceptions can be permitted to this rule. **Please do not embarrass or endanger anyone by requesting anything contrary to this rule. For the moment you will be refused Communion on the tongue.**

The Church will be cleaned after every Mass to ensure the safety of all.

We must all be responsible for each other now and please apply common sense at all times. The Christian faith is about a threefold relationship - God, Ourselves and Others. We're still asked to make sacrifices for each other in these days and with patience we will all return to normal soon. Until then I ask for your co-operation in this process, it may not be what we all know so well and want so much, but it is a first step, and much better than what has been. Be patient, think of others as well as yourself and help us all to remain healthy and well.