



St Francis' Salutation to the Blessed Virgin

Hail, holy Lady, most holy Queen,
Mary, Mother of God, ever Virgin;
chosen by the most holy Father in Heaven,
consecrated by Him with His most holy beloved Son
and the Holy Spirit, the Paraclete;
on you descended and in you still remains
all the fullness of grace and every good.
Hail His Palace. Hail, His Tabernacle.
Hail, His Dwelling. Hail, His Rove.
Hail, His Handmaid. Hail, His Mother.
And hail all you holy virtues
which are poured into the hearts of the faithful
through the grace and enlightenment
of the Holy Spirit,
that from being unbelievers, you may make them
faithful to God. Amen.



For those Parishioners who wish to talk or consult. I will always be available a half hour before and after Mass in any of our Churches.

In the case of an emergency clergy can be contacted at the following numbers:

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Parish Office is open every Tuesday and Wednesday from 10am - 2pm to arrange for Baptisms, Weddings, Certificates, Anniversaries and all other bookings.

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Ballyclog & Donaghenry Parish Bulletin

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time 19th October 2025

Whether you love it or loathe it, everyone in the western world has at least heard tell of KFC – the chicken is just chicken but the skin is a lovely, all be it heart blocking, flavour, and every country knows the picture of Colonel Sanders wide smile inviting you through the doors. But Colonel Sanders hadn't it all easy. For 60 years he honed his dream of having a famous restaurant, worked away at his mother's chicken recipe and dared to believe. But by 1955 it was all going wrong and he was down to nothing, owning just a beat up car and a \$100 social security check. He had to do something to survive, so he drove the length of America with his chicken recipe, stopping at every restaurant and trying it out – knocking doors in the hope of the lucky break and eventually it came. It's said he knocked over 1000 doors before the right one opened and in 2020 the franchise was valued at 5.5 billion dollars. It's a wonderful lesson in the art of perseverance, of not giving up, of keeping believing and never losing hope. That is the lesson of today's Gospel – perseverance in prayer and in faith. If life was an easy journey it would be a wonderful thing, but we all know that we all face rotten difficulties at times, times when we'll beg God to help us, hope that friends pull us through and sometimes struggle to see how we'll manage. At times it would be so easy to drop our heads and give up, feeling that we're alone and broken, and yet we're never alone. When we have a faith we have the trust that God is still watching over us, still giving us enough to keep us going. We might pray for click finger solutions but deep down we know they're only ever the dream scenario answer. The answer we get might seem like a bit of a let-down at the time, but somehow we make it through to the next day, our perseverance with God gives us enough perseverance in life. This weekend is maybe a good time to remember those words of St Paul – with God on our side, nothing can come against us. Whatever your difficulties might be in life – don't ever give up or doubt yourself, your loved ones or your God. With a little self-belief we can achieve most things and overcome most obstacles, with a few good friends or the help of a loving family we can find the answer to most problems and can find the comfort to most sorrows. With a smile once in a while, no matter how small or silly it might be, we can get just enough cheer to lift our heads again. Perseverance isn't about stubbornness, it's about keeping the little spark of hope alive that we can succeed, that we can achieve, that we can be happy and when we team it up with a little bit of faith and trust in God and God's helpers all around us there's nothing we can't do, meet or beat. Today's Gospel reminds us to keep on knocking at every closed door in our lives or in the world. Remind others to do that surely, but remember to do it yourself too.

With best wishes for the week - Fr O'Neill

ROSARY: at Our Lady's Grotto every evening at 8.00pm.

DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET: Friday - 10.30am.

BAPTISMS: Baptisms normally take place on Saturdays at 4.00pm in Holy Family Church and after 11am Mass on Sundays in St Mary's. The next available dates for Baptisms are Saturday **8th November** and Saturday **22nd November** in Holy Family Church, Coalisland and Sunday **9th November** in St Mary's Church, Stewartstown. To book please email the Parish Office at: coalislandparish@yahoo.co.uk or telephone the Parish Office on Tuesday/ Wednesday mornings.

HOLY FAMILY CHURCH, COALISLAND

WEEKEND MASS: Vigil Mass - 6.00pm; Sunday Mass - 9.30am

ST MARY & ST JOSEPH'S CHURCH, BRACKAVILLE

MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA: Monday evenings at 7.30pm

WEEKDAY MASS: Tuesday - Friday: 10.00am.

OCTOBER DEVOTIONS: Sunday - 6.00pm

MONTH'S MIND: Friday 24th October - 7.30pm - Kathleen Telford

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: Wednesday - 10.30am - 6.30pm

ROSARY: Tuesday & Thursday: 9.30am, Wednesday: 6.00pm

CONFESSIONS: Wednesday: 5.00pm - 5.45pm

ST. MARY'S CHURCH, STEWARTSTOWN

WEEKEND MASS: Sunday - 11.00am

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: Monday - 10.00am - 6.00pm

CLEANING FOR OCTOBER: Kelli Ann Bleeks

SUNDAY READER: 19TH OCTOBER: Kieva Daly

SUNDAY READER: 26TH OCTOBER: Eileen Devlin



“The future is in your hearts and in your hands.

God is entrusting to you the task,
at once difficult and uplifting,

of working with Him in the building of the civilization of love”

St Pope John Paul II - 22nd October

COLLECTION: Sunday 12th October: £4077.50

Many thanks for your generosity. If anyone would like to make a donation by cheque please make cheques payable to “Coalisland Catholic Church”. For those who would like to set up a Standing Order, forms can be downloaded from the Parish website.

LATELY DECEASED: Please pray for : Kathleen Telford; Fionnuala Coyle; Brigid Duke; Thomas Gervin; Sr Philomena Walsh OSC; Eileen McGirr; Hugh Taggart

WEDDINGS 2026: All couples who plan to marry in **2026** are asked to contact the Parish Office **by email** at coalislandparish@yahoo.co.uk to arrange for the completion of all necessary Church and State paperwork. Meetings to complete paperwork will take place on Monday evenings in January at 5pm / 5.45pm and should last no more than 30 minutes. **The completion of the necessary paperwork is a legal requirement and without completion the wedding cannot take place.** The requirements are:

- 1) Arrange for your Pre- Marriage Course – see accord.ni for details
- 2) Contact your local Council Offices for Notification of Marriage Forms
- 3) Complete Pre-Nuptial Enquiry forms with the Priest of the Parish you live in.

If anyone you know is hoping to marry in 2026 please bring this to their notice. Many thanks.

OCTOBER DEVOTIONS: continue this Sunday, 19th October and will continue for the Sundays of the month at 6.00pm in St Mary & St Joseph's Church, Brackaville, consisting of rosary and Benediction. All welcome.

ANNUAL REMEMBRANCE MASS: for all those who have died in the parish since 1st November 2024 will be celebrated in the Church of the Holy Family on Wednesday 5th November at 7.30pm. All families bereaved within the last year will be invited but everyone is welcome to join for this Mass which concludes the annual Novena of Masses offered for all on our Parish List of the Dead.

NOVEMBER DEAD LISTS: are available in the Church Porches and can be returned to the Churches at any time where they will remain before the Altar to be included in our daily prayers during November. All those whose names are recorded on the Dead List will be prayed for in a Novena of Masses beginning on 28th October and concluding with the Remembrance Mass on 5th November.

REMEMBRANCE BOARD: will be erected in Holy Family Church this week, bearing the names of all those who have died in the Parish since 1st November 2024. Families are invited to place a memoriam card or image of their departed loved ones on this board as we all keep them in our prayers during the coming month.

ST MARY'S CHURCH READERS ROTA: the new Rota for readers is posted on the Church noticeboard and is also available in the Sacristy. If anyone would like to join the readers rota in Stewartstown, please leave your name to the Sacristy at any time.

HOLY FAMILY CHURCH CAR PARKING: Please do employ caution while parking in Holy Family Church grounds during Mass times. Last weekend a white car accidentally struck and damaged a blue Peugeot car, causing distress to the owner, especially as no contact was made regarding the accident. If the driver of the white car could, in courtesy and decency, leave their details to the Sacristy to alleviate the concerns of the other car owner and to exchange insurance details it would be greatly appreciated.

MESSAGE FROM POPE LEO XIV FOR MISSION SUNDAY: Dear Brothers and Sisters, On World Mission Sunday every year, the whole Church prays, united, particularly for missionaries and the fruitfulness of their apostolic labors. When I served as a missionary priest and then bishop in Peru, I saw first-hand how the faith, the prayer and the generosity shown on World Mission Sunday can transform entire communities. I urge every Catholic parish in the world to take part in World Mission Sunday. Your prayers, your support will help spread the Gospel, provide for pastoral and catechetical programs, help to build new churches, and care for the health and educational needs of our brothers and sisters in mission territories. This October 19th, as we reflect together on our baptismal call to be “missionaries of hope among the peoples,” let us commit ourselves anew to the sweet and joyful task of bringing Christ Jesus our Hope to the ends of the earth. Thank you for everything you will do to help me help missionaries throughout the world. God bless you all!