

Parish of Bright Bulletin

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Mass Times: Week Beginning Monday 14th July

<i>St Patrick’s, Legamaddy</i>	<i>St Joseph’s, Killough</i>
14th July Monday 10am	15th July Tuesday 10am
18th July Friday 7.30pm	16th July Wednesday 7.30pm
20th July Sunday 10am	19th July Saturday 10am
	19th July Saturday Vigil 6.30pm

Our Lady, Star of the Sea, Rossglass
17th July Thursday 10.00am

Faithful Departed

Recently: Gerard Oakes (Downpatrick)
Anniversaries: John Trainor, Josie Fay, John Jones

Weekly Confessions

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available: after all weekday Masses; and in St Joseph’s every Wednesday 8.00pm-8.45pm and at 6.00pm before the Saturday Vigil Mass; and in St Patrick’s every Friday 8.00pm-8.45pm.

Eucharistic Adoration

St Joseph’s, Killough every Wednesday:
1.30pm-7.30pm and after Mass from 8.00pm-9.00pm.
St Patrick’s, Legamaddy every Friday:
6.30pm-7.30pm and after Mass from 8.00pm-9.00pm.

Sunday Collection, 29th June: Weekly £755-25; Monthly £703-88. Thank you for your generous contributions.

This Priest was Saved from a Bullet by Wearing his Brown Scapular

“At times God will miraculously save a person from death, and this can happen in any number of ways. He does so when it is within his will and often to highlight the faith of an individual.

One such story can be found in the booklet *Garment of Grace*, which narrates how a priest was saved by God through the wearing of his Brown Scapular of Our Lady of Mount Carmel (a ribbon with two squares of brown cloth, imprinted with sacred images, that is worn over the shoulders and is considered a sacramental in the Catholic Church).

One day a French priest on pilgrimage was walking to the local church to celebrate Mass. As he was near the church the priest realised he forgot something. While putting on his clothes in the morning, the priest had forgotten his Brown Scapular that typically went underneath his clothing.

This disturbed him and he couldn't think of offering Mass without honouring the Blessed Virgin Mary with the Brown Scapular. However, he would be late for Mass if he went back to his lodging. The priest decided to run back and put on his scapular, preferring to celebrate Mass with his scapular.

The booklet, *Garment of Grace*, narrates what happens next:

“Later, as he was offering the Holy Sacrifice, a young man approached the altar, pulled out a gun, and shot the priest in the back. To the amazement of all, the priest continued to say the prayers of the Mass as though nothing had occurred. It was at first presumed that the bullet had miraculously missed its target. However, upon examination, **the bullet was found ADHERING TO THE LITTLE BROWN SCAPULAR** which the priest had so obstinately refused to be without.”

The story does not have any other details, such as the name of the priest, date or location, but it is not the first time that someone was saved from a bullet by a holy item they were wearing (such as a World War I soldier who was saved by his Bible). It highlights the faith of the individual and how their faith literally saved them from danger.

While these stories do not guarantee someone will be saved if they wear something holy, it does reinforce the need to have an authentic faith in God, trusting that he will protect them during their time of need. If we have an authentic trust in God, anything is possible.” (By Philip Kosloski)

Feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel is Wednesday 16th July