

# Parish of Bright Bulletin

## Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time - 15th February 2026

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### Mass Times: Week Beginning Monday 16th February

<i>St Patrick’s, Legamaddy</i>	<i>St Joseph’s, Killough</i>
16th Feb Monday 10am	17th Feb Tuesday 10am
18th Feb Wednesday 10am	18th Feb Wednesday 7.30pm
20th Feb Friday 7.30pm	21st Feb Saturday 10am
22nd Feb Sunday 10am	21st Feb Saturday Vigil 6.30pm

### *Our Lady, Star of the Sea, Rossglass*

19th Feb Thursday 10.00am

### Faithful Departed

Month’s Mind: Mary Tumelty

Anniversaries: Noel Kelly & Pa McMullan, Brendan Walsh, Danny & Mary Mageean, Jim & Vincent Bailie, Bridget O’Connor, Mickey Tumelty

### 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.

### Eucharistic Adoration

St Joseph’s, Killough every Wed: 1.30pm-7.30pm & after Mass 8pm-9pm.  
St Patrick’s, Legamaddy every Friday: 6.30pm-7.30pm.

### Sunday Collection, 8th February:

Weekly £534-40. Thank you for your generous contributions.

### Divine Mercy Holy Hour

Sunday 15th February in St Joseph’s Church, Killough at 3.00pm.

### Ash Wednesday 18th February

Lent begins this Wednesday. We can use these few days before Ash Wednesday to get ready by thinking about what we will ‘do’ or ‘give up’ this Lent. We can share this with those at home and agree to encourage one another during Lent especially when we feel like giving up what we have decided to do. Let’s ask the Holy Spirit to help us persevere and always be prepared to begin again during our forty days of spiritual pilgrimage to Easter!

**Masses for Ash Wednesday** during which Ashes will be distributed: St Patrick’s Church, Legamaddy at 10.00am and St Joseph’s Church, Killough at 7.30pm

### Days of Fasting and Abstinence in Lent

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are obligatory days of fasting and abstinence from eating meat for Catholics. The norms on fasting are obligatory from age 18 until age 59. When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal, as well as two smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal. The norms concerning abstinence from meat are binding upon members of the Catholic Church from age 14 onwards.

**Stations of the Cross for Lent** will take place each Thursday after the 10.00am Mass in Our Lady Star of the Sea Church, Rossglass.

### Parish Pastoral Council

At our meeting this week we welcomed a new member to our Pastoral Council as Gerarde Dawe joined us for the first time. During the meeting we discussed the following: the proposed transition from our parish Bethany Group to a commissioned Bereavement Ministry, the recent Launch and Information Evening for new diocesan baptism training that was attended by several of our members - four Pastoral Council members have applied for the first training programme. More locally induction and refresher training is to be offered to new and existing Ministers of the Eucharist and Ministers of the Word - it is planned that dates will be in place sometime after Easter. Arrangements for Lent and Easter Masses and services were agreed and will be published in the bulletin nearer the time, in addition an Easter card with those details will be distributed to all families in the parish.

The next meeting of the Parish Pastoral Council will take place on Tuesday March 3rd 2026. The members of the Parish of Bright Pastoral Council are: Gertie Small (Chair), Suzanne Hogg (Secretary), Mary McGrath, Mary Wylie, Cyril Carr, Gerarde Dawe, Fr Peter.

### Day of Prayer for Survivors and Victims of Abuse

In Ireland, a Day of Prayer for Victims and Survivors of Abuse is marked each year on the Friday immediately following Ash Wednesday. This year it will be marked across Ireland on Friday 20th February. This day is not only for victims and survivors who have been so severely injured inside our Church, but also for the families and communities affected by the pain and grief of their loved ones.

“It is essential that we, as a Church, be able to acknowledge and condemn, with sorrow and shame, the atrocities perpetrated by consecrated persons, clerics, and all those entrusted with the mission of watching over and caring for those most vulnerable. Let us beg forgiveness for our own sins and the sins of others. An awareness of sin helps us to acknowledge the errors, the crimes and the wounds caused in the past and allows us, in the present, to be more open and committed along a journey of renewed conversion” Abuse happened within the Catholic Church in Ireland. Abuse happened in our Diocese of Down and Connor.

Bishop Alan McGuckian SJ will celebrate Mass in St Peter’s Cathedral on Friday 20th February at 6:00pm for all who have been affected by abuse.