

**The Boyne Valley Camino** in aid of Peter McVerry Trust will take place on Saturday 9th July. This is a looped route which will begin at St Peter's Church in Drogheda on Saturday morning. The walk will last approximately 5 hours and will stop for lunch along the way. All funds raised will go towards the charity's work with people impacted by homelessness across Ireland. For more information, visit [pmvtrust.ie](http://pmvtrust.ie) or call 01 823 0776.

**Sr Mary Corbally, DC, RIP**

The death of Sr Mary Corbally, Daughter of Charity occurred on 17th June 2022. Funeral Mass was celebrated in Phibsborough followed by burial in Glasnevin Cemetery. A native of Kilmainhamwood, Co Meath, Sr Mary was based in Drogheda from 1985 to 2010. When she first came to Drogheda, she joined in with a group from Money more participating in a cookery course in the Community Centre where she volunteered to mind the children, whilst parents did the cooking. She became further involved in Money more by assisting families in various ways, organizing classes, outings for leaders and children, retreats in Lentaig House, Seapoint, and many other activities. Sr Mary was also instrumental in obtaining the rental of the Community House in Money more which has proved to be a sure foundation for the community.

The contribution that Sr Mary Corbally made to the Money more Community and indeed to Drogheda was justly recognized when she awarded a Millennium Community Hero's Award for her service to voluntary work.

Sr Mary was inspirational and visionary, seeing the potential in people, and helping them achieve this. She was extremely kind and gave of herself without any hesitation when anyone needed her help or advice. She was loved and respected by everyone in Money more and beyond. May she rest in peace.

**St Oliver Plunkett Celebrations**

**Wednesday 29th June – Friday 1st July**  
**Triduum to St. Oliver Plunkett** celebrated at all Masses in the Parish.

**Friday 1st July**  
**Feast of St. Oliver Plunkett** celebrated at all Masses in the Parish, especially at the 10.30am Mass in St Peter's Church. Mass from St Peter's Church will be broadcast on the RTE News channel at 10.30am.

**Sunday 3rd July**  
**St Oliver Plunkett Festival Day.** Procession from Holy Family Church at 3.00pm. Mass at 4.00pm in St. Peter's Church. Celebrant: Bishop Michael Ruter. Homilist: Canon Benny Fee, PP, Clonoe, Co. Tyrone, who has written a number of publications relating to St Oliver.

**Prayer to St Oliver Plunkett**  
 Glorious Martyr, St Oliver, who willingly gave your life for your faith, help us also to be strong in faith. May we be loyal like you to the See of Peter. By your intercession and example, may all hatred and bitterness be banished from the hearts of Irish men and women. May the peace of Christ reign in our hearts, as it did in your heart, even at the moment of your death. Pray for us and for Ireland. Amen.



Items for the **Parish Newsletter** may be emailed to [parishoffice@saintpetersdrogheda.ie](mailto:parishoffice@saintpetersdrogheda.ie) or handed into the Parish Office by Wednesday evening each week.

**St Peter's Parish Newsletter**

**St Oliver's Pastoral Area**

**Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**26th June 2022**

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| Canon Eugene Sweeney PP, VG            | St Peter's Parochial House          | 041 983 8537 |
| Fr Aidan Murphy PE, AP                 | St Peter's Presbytery               | 041 983 8239 |
| Fr Cleophas Lungu, Priest in Residence |                                     |              |
| Fr Paul Murphy CC                      | Our Lady of Lourdes Presbytery.     | 041 983 1899 |
| Fr Desmond Branigan CC                 |                                     |              |
| Deacons: David Durrigan & John Taaffe  |                                     |              |
|  | St Peter's Church Sacristy          | 041 984 5355 |
|  | Our Lady of Lourdes Church Sacristy | 041 983 1973 |

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Masses will be broadcast live by webcam  
**St Peter's Church**  
 Monday to Friday: 8.30am. & 10.30am  
 Tuesday also St Anthony's  
 Novena. 7.30pm.  
 Saturday 10.30am  
 Vigil 6.15pm  
 Sunday 8.00am & 11.00am



**Our Lady of Lourdes Church**  
 Monday to Saturday: 10.00am.  
 Saturday Vigil: 7.00pm.  
 Sunday: 9.00am/10.30 and 12 noon.  
**St Peter's Church Shop**  
 Monday to Thursday 11.00am- 2.00pm  
 Friday 11.00am - 3.00pm  
 Saturday 11.00am-6.00pm  
**Email:**  
[parishoffice@saintpetersdrogheda.ie](mailto:parishoffice@saintpetersdrogheda.ie)

**The Barbican,**  
 St Peter's Parish Centre  
 041 980 7416

**Cemetery Sunday**

Cemetery Sunday takes place today Sunday 26th June, in St Peter's Cemetery at 3.00pm, and Newtown Cross Cemetery at 5.00pm. We are delighted that for the first time in three years we can come together in person in the Cemeteries. Priests and deacons will bless the graves. If you wish to bring holy water for the sprinkling of the family grave you are welcome to do so.

People may wear a face mask if they choose. Not everyone will yet feel ready to return to the annual Cemetery Sunday celebration, and this is understandable. Some parishioners may prefer to make a private visit to the Cemetery later on the Sunday evening or during the week beginning Monday 27th June.

A video recording of the 3.00pm ceremony blessing of St Peter's Cemetery will be available on [www.saintpetersdrogheda.ie](http://www.saintpetersdrogheda.ie) and St Peter's Parish, Drogheda Facebook page from 6.00pm on Sunday 26th June.

**A Garda Traffic Management Plan** will be in operation.  
 Please comply with directions

There will be a **Gate Collection** for the upkeep of the Cemetery. Please use the special envelope in your box (26th June) which can be put into the basket in the Cemetery or in the church. We rely on your support. Thank you.

Masses at 11.00am and 12.00 noon today Sunday 26th June will be offered for all those interred in our cemeteries.

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**Congratulations** to Deacons Stephen Wilson, Coalisland, Co Tyrone and Colm Hagan, Portadown, Co Armagh, who will be ordained priests for the Archdiocese of Armagh in St Patrick's Cathedral, Armagh today, Sunday. Ad multos annos. We wish them many long and happy years of ministry.

The **10th World Meeting of Families** concludes in Rome today 26th June on the theme, 'Family love: a vocation and a path to holiness.' Archbishop Eamon Martin has attended. [www.romefamily2022.com](http://www.romefamily2022.com)

**Archbishop Eamon Martin** will celebrate the 7.00pm Vigil Mass next Saturday evening 2nd July in Our Lady of Lourdes Church. Please come out and welcome Archbishop Eamon. Refreshments will be served afterwards on the church plaza.

**Covid-19 Safety** Parishioners are asked to continue to wear **face masks** unless medically prohibited from doing so, **to sanitise their hands** on entry into the church, and to be mindful of **adequate social distancing**. Sanitisation of churches continues to be a priority. Holy Communion continues to be received **on the hand only**.

**During the Pandemic, please take home the missalette you have used at Mass as well as your copy of the Newsletter.**

**Webcam** All Masses are streamed live by webcam, [www.saintpetersdrogheda.ie](http://www.saintpetersdrogheda.ie) or [www.churchservices.tv](http://www.churchservices.tv) (Drogheda)

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**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament** takes place in St Peter's Church in the main body of the Church during Church opening hours, except when Mass or some other liturgy is being celebrated, and may also be viewed by webcam. Adoration also takes place each Sunday in Our Lady of Lourdes Church, 1.00pm – 4.00pm.

**Confessions**, observing social distancing and the wearing of face masks, are held as follows: St Peter's Church, Wednesdays and Saturdays, 12.30–1.00pm; Saturday evening in both churches 30 minutes before the Vigil Mass.

**Baptisms** are conducted according to best public health practice. Parents should please contact the sacristies to rearrange dates or to register.

Our Lady of Lourdes Church every Saturday at 5.00pm. Register at Our Lady of Lourdes Church Sacristy, Thursday - Saturday, 9.30am – 12 noon. Tel 041 983 1973.

St Peter's Church every Sunday at 12.15pm. Register at St Peter's Church Sacristy, Monday - Saturday, 9.00am -1.00pm. Tel 041 984 5355

**Anniversaries and Month's Minds** may be given in person or telephoned to St Peter's Church Sacristy, 041 984 5355, Monday – Saturday, 9.00am -1.00pm or Our Lady of Lourdes Church Sacristy, 041 983 1973, Monday – Saturday, 9.30am -12.30pm. Mass Stipend may be given via credit / debit card by telephone.

#### St Peter's Shop

A large range of religious objects, including signed shared Mass Cards and Bouquets available (Monday to Thursday, 11.00am – 2.00pm, Friday 11.00am – 3.00pm. Saturday 11.00am - 6.00pm. Mass Cards and Bouquets also available in both sacristies.

**St Vincent de Paul** (Freephone 1800 67 77 77) and **Drogheda River Rescue Emergency** (089 250 5562) continue to be ready to help anyone in need. **Samaritans** call 116 123 for free. **Aware** 1800 80 48 48

**The Parish Newsletter** is available at the back of the churches throughout the week. Also see church noticeboards, parish website and Facebook page.

**St Vincent de Paul** church gate collection next weekend at all Masses.

#### Novenas

**Novena to Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal** – Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Monday 10.00am Mass

**Novena to St Martin de Porres** – St Peter's Church, Monday, 10.30am Mass

**Novena to St Anthony of Padua** – St. Peter's Church, Tuesday, 10.30am & 7.30pm Masses.

**Novena to Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal** – St Peter's Church Wednesday after 10.30am Mass.

**Novena to Our Lady of Fatima** – St Peter's Church, Saturday, 10.30am Mass.

#### Feast Days this Week

Wednesday 29th June

Ss Peter and Paul, Apostles

Friday 1st July

St Oliver Plunkett, bishop and martyr



**Family Mass** will be celebrated in Our Lady of Lourdes Church at 10.30am today Sunday 26th June. The family Mass is celebrated on the last Sunday of every month, except July and August. Please note the earlier time of the Family Mass

**Friday 1st July** is the **first Friday** of the month. The clergy will visit the sick in accordance with Government and diocesan norms, but only after consultation with the person concerned or their family.

The **Divine Mercy Chaplet** is recited after the 10.00am Mass in Our Lady of Lourdes Church each First Friday.

The monthly Mass in honour of the **Sacred Heart** (Pioneer Association) will be celebrated on Friday at 10.30am in St Peter's Church

**Pope Francis' intention for July:** We pray for the elderly, who represent the roots and memory of a people: may their experience and wisdom help young people to look towards the future with hope and responsibility.

**World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly** will take place on Sunday 24th July with the theme "In old age they will still bear fruit" (Psalm 92:15)

#### Parish Collection for the weekend of 18th / 19th June 2022

Loose €1,415 Envelopes €1,525 **Total €2,940**

**Summer Dues** for the support of the priests of the parish will be collected over the coming few weeks. Many thanks for your support. Envelopes at the back of churches.

#### Deaths

**We pray for the recently deceased** Mary Byrne, Moneymore, Tom Johnston, Hardman's Gardens, Tony Bannon, Maple Drive formerly Glenview, Joan Cassidy, Hillview formerly Trinity Street, Sr Mary Corbally, DC, Dolores Dunne, Lourdes Square, John Haughey, Boyne Hall, Maria Fagan, Brookville, Philomena (Mena) Teelan, Peter Street, Br James Nicholas Kearney OSA, Giedrius Kamarauskas, Phyllis Baugh, Íde Lenihan, Fred Kelly, Fintan Harmon, Jeanette Quinn. **May they rest in peace.**

**Siena Convent:** Cards, Candles and Crafts available to order from our **Online Shop** at the Monastery of St. Catherine of Siena, The Twenties, Drogheda:

Link: <https://www.dominicannuns.ie/online-shop.html>

**MS Ireland Louth Branch** wishes to thank all those who contributed to its recent church gate collection. The amount raised was €725. All monies will go towards helping people with MS in Louth.

The monthly meeting of **St Joseph's Young Priest Society** will take place on Thursday 30th June at 10.30am in Our Lady of Lourdes Presbytery.

**Annual Pilgrimage to Lough Derg.** 2nd, 3rd & 4th July 2022. Please contact Mary Maguire on 086 4032 364 / 041 685 1754 or Rose Duff on 086 8458 808 / 041 982 2504 for further details.

**Support Group for Relatives & Friends** who support people with mental health difficulties takes place on the first Wednesday of each month at 7.30pm in Boardroom, Ardee Business Park, Hale Street, Ardee. Speaker Aoife Clarke (Psychologist) will discuss Stress Management on Wednesday 6th July 2022 at 7.30pm. Louth Meath Mental Health Services, Dundalk, Tel 042 932 6156.