

PARISH OF AGHALURCHER

Sunday 22nd March 2026
Fifth Sunday of Lent

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Parish Mass Times - Holy Cross: Monday 10am - Lay Led Liturgy
Tuesday 7pm
Wednesday & Thursday 10am
Sunday 11am
St. Mary's: Friday 5.30-6.55pm(Adoration) 7pm - Lay Led Liturgy
Saturday 6pm

Livestreaming: www.churchservices.tv/lisnaskea
www.churchservices.tv/maguirebridge

Parish Website: www.lisnaskeamaguirebridgeparish.com

Parish Instagram Account: aghalurcher_parish

Parish Twitter: @Aghalurcher **Parish Facebook Page:** Parish of Aghalurcher
Parish Radio can be accessed for Holy Cross at 90.1FM & St. Mary's at 90.6FM
Parish Office Tel. 028 67721088 (Monday-Thursday: 2-6pm; Friday 10.30am-1pm)
Parish Office Email: aghalurcher@clogherparishes.ie



Anniversary Mass Intentions

HOLY CROSS

Sunday 22nd March

- 11.00am:**
- **(Month's Mind)** Kathleen Maguire, late of The Birches & Munville House, Lisnaskea
 - **(First Anniversary)** John Rice, late of Carrowshee Park
 - Patrick & Rita Maguire, Tommy & Myles O'Reilly, Rose Anne Ball & Maureen Sweeney
 - John & Kathleen Ingram, formerly The Knocks
 - Coni & Gerard Reihill, Trasna Way.

Monday 23rd March

- 10.00am:** • Lay Led Liturgy.

Tuesday 24th March - Novena Mass to St. Peregrine for all the sick.

- 7.00pm:** • Johnny Neeson and deceased of the Neeson family
- Joe & Annie Mulligan, Kilmore Green.

Wednesday 25th March

- 10.00am:** • The McDermott family, Farnaconaghy.

Thursday 26th March

- 10.00am:** • Private Intention.

Sunday 29th March

- 11.00am:**
- Eugene Guidera, Moughley and deceased of the Guidera family, Moneymore
 - Michael & Eileen Mohan, Lakeview
 - Maisie McGoldrick, Castlebalfour Park, husband Benny, daughter Mary sons Sean & Bernard and deceased of the McGoldrick and McCallion families.

ST. MARY'S

Saturday 21st March

- 6.00pm:**
- Felix McCaffrey, Curryann
 - Lawrence, Maureen & Stephen May, Drumgoon
 - Thomas(Sonny) McGrory and son Thomas, Corfannon, Maguiresbridge.

Friday 27th March

- 5.30pm - 6.55pm:** Eucharistic Adoration **7.00pm:** Lay Led Liturgy.

Saturday 28th March

- 6.00pm:** • Shane Mollan.



You are asked to pray for Larry Maye, Tattinderry Heights, Maguiresbridge.
May Larry now rest in peace.

- * On Monday nights we continue to screen 'The Chosen', a ground breaking historical drama on the life of Jesus at 7pm in Holy Cross.
- * During Lent we will have Stations of the Cross in St. Mary's on a Wednesday night at 7pm. Each week there will be a different theme prayed for, families, youth, the sick and the elderly.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes '26: To book Tel. John Hueston 028 677 24329 or download form: www.lourdes2clogher.com Pilgrim fare €1,100pp (excludes €40 coach transfer to/from airport). Assisted pilgrim fare €1,100 (Includes travel insurance & coach transfer to/from airport).

Al-Anon – Struggling with Alcohol Addiction? For further info. contact the confidential Al-Anon helpline: 0800 0086811 or email helpline@al-anonuk.org.uk or contact Belfast at 02890682368.

St Mary's Hall, Maguiresbridge is central to parish life - hosting the football clubs events, céilí dancing, festive discos, Santa's visit, sacraments, council events, and after-funeral teas. We want to create a space that will give everyone access to opportunities.

To date phase 1 of refurbishment is complete: the back room and toilets are now insulated, rewired, re-lit, with new doors and air-conditioning making it warmer and more welcoming. Next, we aim to create a modern, comfortable space with a large TV, sound system and furnishings for presentations and community use. We've secured some funding, but we need your support. Donations can be made next Saturday 28th after Mass or at the Parish Office or directly by bank transfer:

Name on account: ST MARYS PAROCHIAL HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Sort Code: 905053

Account Number: 95806022

Volunteers for the Hall Committee are always welcome. Let some of the committee members know and you'll be welcomed with open arms. Thank you for your generosity and prayers.

Lisnaskea History talk 'Townlands - Knowing Our Place' is on Tuesday 24th March at 7.30pm in Castle Park Centre. All welcome.

Clogher Diocesan Council will hold a meeting on 26th March in the Millenium Hall, Donagh, in Co. Fermanagh at 8pm. All pioneers are invited to attend.

AISLING'S Shop opens Thursday 26th March with a fantastic array of new, preloved and vintage items. Opening hours Thursdays & Fridays 9.30am – 4pm and Saturday 10am – 2pm. We are also accepting donations of clothes, sheets, curtains, bric-a-brac, small items of furniture etc. Donations can be left at Aisling Centre reception. All proceeds will be used to support the local community through the work of Aisling Centre.

Thought For The Week

The word 'lent' has different meanings in English. He leant against the wall. She lent me some money. If you're from Cork 'he ran the lent of de field!' The Lent we Christians talk about means 'springtime', so the emphasis is on growth, on renewal and on new life. Lent is a stretching time, a challenging time, a seasonal reminder of the challenging nature of the Christian life.

The spiritual life is best described as a collection of gentle curves. Every curve of life in some way touches God. This means that God is connected to everything that happens throughout our lives. Even in difficult times we are helped and supported. When it comes to spirituality we can also say that Lent is like a blank canvas. Each day we can pick up the paintbrush of our lives and add colours. Like gentle curves eventually creating a circle, so too with the colours of our lives. Some days our colours are bright and easy to find, while on other days our colours are scarce, lacking energy and focus. Lent is all about invitations. Each day is an invitation to simply be ourselves and to add our colour to the daily canvas of life. Lent is spread out over many weeks to give us a fair chance and even the smallest efforts on our behalf are always worth the effort.

This week's bulletin has been sponsored in memory of Johnny Neeson.

We welcome into the Christian Community Aoife Katy Anne Ward, James Noah O'Rourke and Maisie Majella McElroy **who were baptised in Holy Cross Church last weekend.**

Children's Mass next weekend at 6pm on Saturday 28th March in St. Mary's and 11am on Sunday 29th March in Holy Cross. All young families especially welcome.



Clogher don Óige invites young people (15-17) to join them on pilgrimage to Taizé, 8-17th August, €670. Info: www.clogherdonoige.org/taize2026

Parish Contributions - 15th March

First Sunday: £185

Offertory: £1612.79 & €145

Many thanks for your continuous generosity.