

Newsletter

Church of The Assumption Pomeroy
Church of The Immaculate Conception Altmore

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*"For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son,
that whoever believes in Him shall not perish,
but have eternal life"*

POMEROY MASS TIMES

Recently Deceased	Peggy Mallon-Kildress Christopher Colhoun-Clonoe Cathy O Brien-USA
Sun Vigil (Sat) 7pm	Bridget Lagan, Margaret & Michael Slane
Sun 11.00am	Sean Quinn
Tues 9.30am	Special Intention
Wed 9.30am	Mass
Thurs 9.30am	Rosary & Holy Communion
Fri 9.30am	Rosary & Holy Communion
Sat. 27th Jan. 7pm	Mary & Peter Devlin, Seán Kilpatrick Packie Hurson & Grand-daughter Tiegan Hughes
Sun 28th Jan. 11am	Mary Kate & Michael Kane, Paul & Anne Devlin

ALTMORE MASS TIMES

Sun 21st Jan. 9.30am	Detta, James & Sr. Bridigeen McElroy Mary Hackett, John Connolly
Sun. 28th Jan. 9.30am	Kevin Ruddy, Mary Clarke

**YOUR PARISH
CONTRIBUTION
£1,470.88**

**Choir practise will be held
on Thursday 25 January @
8pm in the Church. All
welcome!**

THOSE ASSISTING AT MASS

27th & 28th Jan.	7pm Vigil Mass	11am Mass	Altmore 9.30am
Lectors	N. Quinn & G. Mills	P. & L. Coyle	J. & J. Hanna
Eucharistic Ministers	R. Brogan, P. McNally & A. Kane	E. McGale, M. McCallan & D. Rafferty	Niall Vincent
Prayers of the Faithful	Aoibhin Conlon	Mariah McDonagh	Clara McDonald

PARISH SACRAMENTS

Confessions	Sat. 6.30pm Pomeroy
Baptisms	1 st & 3 rd Sat. 5.30pm

Psalm 24
**"Lord, make me know your
ways."**

Parish Announcements

Priests of the Pastoral Area for Emergencies only

Very Rev Gerard McAleer, P.P.	028 87761327
Very Rev Sean O'Neill, P.P.	028 80761207
Very Rev Patrick Hughes P.P.	028 86751206

Parish Information

Parish Secretary	Dympna Lagan	Tel: 02887758329
Mon, Wed, Thurs & Fri 10am-1pm	E: pomeroysecretary@hotmail.com	
Pomeroy Sacristan	Mrs A.M. Bonner	Tel: 07554946738
Altmore Sacristan	Miss M. Clarke	Tel: 02887758239
Parish Safeguarding Representatives		
Mr & Mrs Gerard McDonald		Tel: 02887758019
St Mary's Primary School		
Mr Damian Eannetta		Tel: 02887758541
Accord Marriage Preparation		Tel: 02838334781
Church & Oratory Cleaners:		
January:	Church	Ann Marie Bonner & Oonagh Gormley
	Oratory	Audrey Conway

Dates for Your Diary

Monday 5 February:	Service of Light.	7pm.
Wednesday 28 February:	Confirmation.	5pm.
Monday 5 March:	First Penance/Communion Talk.	7pm.
Friday 9 March:	First Penance.	7pm.
Saturday 12 May:	First Holy Communion.	11am.
Sunday 17 June:	Cemetery Mass Altmore.	3pm.
Sunday 24 June:	Cemetery Mass Pomeroy.	11am.

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity-Tuesday 23 January at 7.30pm – St. Patrick's Church Donaghmore The week of Prayer for Christian Unity is kept from 18th to 25th January (the Feast of the Conversion of St. Paul). The theme chosen this year is: 'Your right hand O LORD glorious in power' (Ex 15:6) To honour this week of prayer an Ecumenical Prayer Service will be held in St. Patrick's Church, Donaghmore on Tuesday 23 January at 7.30pm. The guest speaker will be Rev. Dr. Lesley Carroll, a minister of The Presbyterian Church in Ireland, serving in North Belfast within sharply divided political and religious communities. Dr. Carroll is well known for her inter-church and cross community work. She is a frequent broadcaster on religious and current affairs issues, especially for the BBC and is a familiar voice on Sunday Sequence and Thought for the Day. Rev. Dr. Carroll is originally from the neighbouring area of Newmills. All are welcome and encouraged to attend. Refreshments will be provided after the service.

Accord Marriage Preparation Courses. Due to demand marriage preparation courses need to be booked at least 10 months in advance. Book your course online at www.accordni.co.uk or phone Kate on 028 38 334781.

Accord Marriage and Relationship Counselling. If you have difficulty talking to each other try talking to us. To book an appointment at our Portadown Centre. Phone Kate on 028 38 334781

The Empower Project is a Big Lottery Funded initiative that supports Autism, Dyslexia or Dyspraxia families or those waiting on diagnosis, we have FREE training workshops in Antrim & Magherafelt areas for parents, wider family circle and wider stakeholders check our website www.empowernetwork.co.uk on what training we have to offer. For more information call Sinead Brady on 02879395245 or email empower@nrc.ac.uk

HERE TO HELP Talking about tough issues We have all been on the receiving end of difficult conversations and most of us have had to start them at some time. But that doesn't make it any easier when we realise that we are going to have a "difficult" conversation with our child. It might be because we must break some bad news or try to find out more about something that doesn't seem quite right with them at the time. It might be the normal unease about how to talk to teenagers about sex or drugs. Whatever the subject, and however old the child you're talking to, there are ways to make it a bit less painful for you both and maybe even come away from the conversation knowing that you're closer to your child than before. How you start the conversation is going to depend on a lot of things, including how old and mature your child is and what you want to talk about. It's always going to be up to your judgement about the best way to tackle it. For some pointers go to www.nspcc.org.uk or www.parentingni.org Parenting NI run a series of courses for parents including the Odyssey, Parenting Your Teen Programme which can help you navigate your way through the reality of parenting teenagers. The programme promotes the Authoritative Parenting style, which has been proven to be most effective. If you would be interested in attending then why not leave your name and contact details in the Parish Office and we will see if one can be delivered locally.

Inst of Irish Leadership: Volunteers and second hand books wanted for reading groups. Now taking bookings for light refreshments after Month's Mind Masses Walking group meet every Monday in Pomeroy Forest Car Park 11am to noon. Contact: kathleenburnsiil@gmail.com. Tel: 02887757800