

## Media/Communications Corner

Please join us in welcoming **Liz Davey** as the newest member of our Pastoral Area Social Media Ministry, representing Knockbridge. Liz joins Kirstie Matthews, who represents Darver & Dromiskin, as we continue to build a team to help share the life and good news of our parishes online. We are still looking for one rep. from Kilkenny and one from Louth to complete the team. Training and support will be provided, if you enjoy social media and would like to help keep people connected with parish life, we would love to hear from you. Please contact Kirstie: [kirstiematthews96@hotmail.com](mailto:kirstiematthews96@hotmail.com) / 087 915 6682

### BEHOLD Lenten Daily Reflections for Holy Week

During this Holy Week the Behold team: Fr. Pat, Fr. Gerry, Carmel Kennedy, Evelyn Agnew, Irene Brennan, Joan McKenna, Marian O'Sullivan and Maura Melia are sharing daily reflections on **The Stations of the Cross** to help you journey with Jesus on the via dolorosa to Calvary. **Follow us on social media:** @ourladyqueenofpeacepalouh **Join our BEHOLD WhatsApp Group** (to receive the daily reflection only): Text **Kirstie Matthews** on **087 915 6682**

**St. Ronans Hall, Dromiskin** has been vacant for many years, and has been on the agenda at PA Finance Committee meetings recently. The Committee would welcome comments/suggestions from Dromiskin parishioners or organisations about a possible action plan for the building/site. Contact any member of the committee or email your message to Fr. Gerry at [olqopoffice@gmail.com](mailto:olqopoffice@gmail.com) before Fri 10th April.

**Stonetown School Building** For the last number of months we have been seeking potential occupants for this building. 'Ready Steady Grow' pre-school service submitted a proposal, which has received the support of the Finance Committee and has been submitted to the diocesan property committee. We await their approval and the approval of St. Patrick's Archdiocesan Trust.

**Darver: Our 4th annual Lenten Pilgrimage** will take place on Tuesday, March 31st, at 7.30 p.m. in St. Michael's Church, Darver. This will be a time of music, reflection and prayer as we join with Mary who accompanied her Divine Son through His passion. All are welcome and warmly invited to join us. The collection on the night will be for the St. Peter's Church Centenary Fund.

**Dromiskin: Maríosa Prayer Hour** on Tuesday 7-8pm in St. Peter's Church. A time for silence, rosary, scripture, reflection and Adoration. All in our PA. and beyond are invited and will be very welcome.

**Monthly Communion Rounds:** The sick and housebound will be visited during HOLY WEEK on the usual days at the usual times. If you know anyone who would like to receive Holy Communion in their home, please contact the Pastoral Area Office, Knockbridge

### St. Peter's Church, Dromiskin celebrates 100 years (Oct.4th 2026)

This will be marked by a Mass led by Archbishop Eamon Martin on Sunday Oct. 4th at 3pm followed by a meal at 5pm. To prepare for this historic occasion important work needs to be done to the interior of the church: **A new Lighting system in and outside the church, preceded by a comprehensive upgrade and replacement of the churches electrical wiring, a complete restoration of the mosaics in the sanctuary, many of the windows require sealing to ensure that they are air-tight.** This is a huge undertaking and will require much fundraising, private donations and sponsorship. We need all parishioners to get behind this project.

If you wish to donate to Dromiskin Church project you can by cheque to **Darver Dromiskin** Or by bank transfer **IE62BOFI 903365 74478226**

**Quid Games (Dromiskin)** One of the first fund raising initiatives is '**Quid Games**' (31st May in the Fairways Hotel.) The church fundraising team together with a team representing St. Peter's School who are celebrating their golden jubilee this year are desperately looking for volunteers to assist in **four key** areas over the coming months: **Contestants, Marketing, Ticket Sales, Sponsorship.** If you would like to get involved, please get in touch We NEED your help. **Call** Kirstie Matthews 0879156682

**St. Endas prayer group** Mass on in Stonetown N.S on Monday 30th March at 7.30pm preceded by confessions at 7pm.



HOLY WEEK

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**Our Lady  
Queen of Peace  
Pastoral  
Area**

**29th March 2026  
Palm (Passion) Sunday**



**Hosanna  
in the highest!**

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### OUR MISSION: 'TO OPEN THE DOORS AND LET JESUS RETURN'

**BAPTISMS:** will normally take place on Saturdays at 2pm in each of the churches. **It is now obligatory for all first time parents to attend a pre-Baptism course. Please contact the Pastoral Area Office for further information or contact the priest residing in the parish where the Baptism will take place**

**WEDDINGS:** Please contact Fr Gerry Campbell directly for all wedding enquiries. It is important that all couples who intend to marry make contact with the pastoral area office at least four months before the wedding (details above) to ensure that all necessary requirements and paperwork are fulfilled on time.

**CONFESSIONS:** Before monthly **Family Tree Healing Mass ( Sun. 3pm Mon. 7pm)** or on request.

**VISITS TO THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND:** If you know of anyone who requires a visit please contact the pastoral area office. If it is an emergency contact the nearest priest.

**ANNIVERSARIES:** can be emailed to [olqopoffice@gmail.com](mailto:olqopoffice@gmail.com) at least two weeks prior to the date of the anniversary for inclusion in the parish bulletin, or contact the priest residing in the parish where the Mass will be offered. You can also book with the sacristan.

**ALL SACRAMENTAL AND PASTORAL AREA NOTIFICATIONS** can be emailed to [olqopoffice@gmail.com](mailto:olqopoffice@gmail.com) no later than Wednesday midnight.

**Webcam** Masses and other events are broadcast live via webcam and can be accessed through either: [www.ourladyqueenofpeacepa.ie](http://www.ourladyqueenofpeacepa.ie) or [www.churchmedia.tv](http://www.churchmedia.tv) (Recording is possible on request by contacting the pastoral area office in advance.)

## CHURCH OF SAINT MICHAEL, DARVER

**Sunday 29th March 10.30am :** Liam & Sheila McDonnell & dec members of McDonnell & Mooney Families, Michael McDonnell

**Tuesday 9.30am:**

**Thursday 9.30am**



## CHURCH OF SAINT PETER, DROMISKIN

**Saturday 28th March 7.00pm:** Thomas & Brigid Norton, Michael McArdle

**Mon. 30th Mar. -6.20pm** Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament **6.30pm** Rosary

**7.00pm Mass & Novena** - Jack Reilly MM **Wed —9.10am** Rosary, **9.30am Mass:**

**Fri 10am** Rosary, **9.30am** Mass—**10am** Adoration

**Sat: 6.30pm** Rosary

## CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION, KILKERLEY

**Saturday 28th March 6.00pm:** Bernie Mulholland & dec members of the Smartt family, Veronica Mulholland

**Sunday 29th March 10.30am :** - Kathleen & Patrick Bolton, Patrick & Brigid Murphy, Maeve Larkin, Maura Harold, Rose Quinn,

Tom Murphy

**Tuesday 9.30am—**

**Thursday 9.30am**



## CHURCH OF ST. MARY'S, KNOCKBRIDGE

**Saturday 28th March 7.30pm :** Christopher Griffin, John & Anna Brannigan & DFM, Donal McGeough & Molly & Paddy McGeough, Katie Conroy, Jack Fitzpatrick, Thomas & Catherine Conroy & DFM, Joe Woods (Carrickmullen) .

**Sunday 29th March 11.30am :** - James McGuinness M.M.

**Wed - 9.30am: Fri - 9.30am —**

**Adoration: Monday 10am to 10pm**

## CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION, LOUTH

**Saturday 28th March 5.30pm:** Marie Kirk 1st Anv., Patrick & Mary Connolly, Chrissie & Jack Matthews & DFM, James & Rita Byrne and a Special Intention

**Sunday 29th March 9.30am: -**

**Tues 9.30am—**

**Fri 9.30am—**

**ROSARY&ADORATION:** Tuesday 10am–12noon

## OUR LADY OF SNOWS CHURCH, STONETOWN

Mass on Easter Sunday at 11am  
Mass on the second Friday 7.30pm

**RECENTLY DECEASED.** Please pray for Barbara Farrell, Kathleen Roddy, Pat Kearney, Thomas Halpenny, Mary Bailey, Tony Callan, James Faul, Jack Reilly, Elizabeth (Betty) Breslan, Martin Dooley Inniskeen, James McGuinness, Ciaran Gallagher,

### **ANNIVERSARIES FOR NEXT WEEK:**

**Darver:** Easter Sunday 5th April 10.30am - People of the Parish

**Dromiskin:** Easter Vigil Saturday 4th April 9.00pm - People of the Parish

**Kilkerley:** Easter Vigil Saturday 4th April 9.00pm - Briege Bolton, Harry, Mary & Owenie Bellew & DFM

**Easter Sunday 5th April 10.30am—** Tony Callan MM Michael Rafferty (1st Anv) Michael & May Gogarty, Tom, Rita & Thomas Kirk & DFM

**Knockbridge:** Easter Vigil Saturday 4th April 8.00pm— Larry, Rose, Noel & Helen McElroy

**Easter Sunday 5th April 11.30am –** Matthew Wallace (1st Anv) Peter & Peggy Hoey, Michael, Rose, Enda & Seamus Corcoran, Ann & Felix Meehan, Donal Carney

**Louth:** Easter Vigil Saturday 4th April 8.00pm– Tommy & Imelda O'Sullivan, Josephine O'Sullivan (nee Farrell)

**Easter Sunday 5th April 9.30am —** People of the Parish **Stonetown 11.00am** People of the Parish

**COLLECTIONS DROMISKIN:** 15TH MARCH €742

**DARVER** 15TH MARCH € 612

**KILKERLEY:** 15TH MARCH €840

**KNOCKBRIDGE:** 15TH MARCH €876 **LOUTH:** 15TH MARCH € 1273

### **THE EASTER TRIDUUM 2026**

*We invite you to join us for the sacred liturgies of the Easter Triduum as we celebrate the Passion, Death and Resurrection of the Lord.*

**Holy Thursday. Mass of the Lord's Supper:** Darver 7.00pm Kilkerley 7.30pm. Knockbridge 7.30pm and Louth 7.30pm. Following Mass the Blessed Sacrament will be placed in the Altar of Repose. There will be a period of adoration until **Night Prayer at 10pm.**

**Good Friday. The Lord's Passion:** Dromiskin, Kilkerley, Knockbridge & Louth @ 3pm.

*During this service there will be a 'Special collection on for Christians in the Holy Land'. We have seen the plight of our brothers and sisters in the Holy Land. This collection is a main source of income for the maintenance & sustainability of the Christian identity in the Holy Land. The funds will be used to provide medical help and shelter for our fellow Christians who have been forced to flee the Holy places due to war.*

**Stations of the Cross:** Darver & Dromiskin: 5 Crossroads @ 6.30pm, Louth @ 6.30pm, Kilkerley @ 7.30pm and Knockbridge @6.30pm

**Holy Saturday Vigil Mass:** Knockbridge @8.00pm Louth @ 8.00pm Dromiskin @ 9.00pm Kilkerley @9.00pm

**Easter Sunday** Louth @ 9.30am Kilcrouney School 9.30am, Darver @ 10.30am, Kilkerley 10.30am Stonetown 11am & Knockbridge 11.30am

**A GREAT SUCCESS: The Diocesan Congress on Youth, Family & Faith (20th-22nd)** was a tremendous success and a source of great joy and hope for the future of our Archdiocese and Pastoral Area. We thank our local delegates most sincerely for the generous work they did in preparing for and participating in this unique event in the history of the Archdiocese of Armagh. During the Easter Season the Pastoral Area Council (PAC) & the delegates will meet to reflect on the findings of the Congress, recognise the many good things already happening in our parishes, and begin to action some of the recommendations. May the Holy Spirit guide us into a fruitful future for our Pastoral Area.. **Our delegates** are: **LOUTH:** Nicola Connolly and Catherine Carolan, **KNOCKBRIDGE:** Claire Brennan, Geraldine Kirk and Ciara Nash, **DARVER & DROMISKIN:** Kirstie Matthews and Maura Melia **KILKERLEY:** Lorraine Quigley, Leah Hoey, and Lisa Carragher.

**Trócaire** Please return your **Trócaire Box** to the church sacristy or parochial house on or before Holy Thursday..

**Lectio Divina** The last evening of Lectio Divina a simple, prayerful way of listening to God through Scripture takes place on Tuesday 31st March @7.30-8.30pm. **in the parochial house Knockbridge.** We thank those who faithfully attended Lectio Divina. It will return again in Advent 2026...if not before :)

**Annual CHRISM MASS:** Archbishop Eamon, along with the clergy of the diocese, will celebrate the Chrism Mass on Wednesday, 1 April at 7.00 pm in St Patrick's Cathedral, Armagh. All are welcome. In particular, an invitation to attend is extended to families and schools with children who will make their Confirmation this year. The Mass is also available via Armagh Parish Cathedral webcam at [www.armaghparish.net](http://www.armaghparish.net).