

**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 Kilkerry and one from Louth to complete the team. 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

**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.

**Dromiskin: Maríosa Prayer Hour** on Easter 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.

### **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. 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. 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 Fundraiser**

One of our first major fundraising initiatives this year is Quid Games, taking place on 31st May 2026 at the Fairways Hotel Dundalk. This event is a joint effort between St. Peter's Church and School. We are still seeking volunteers to assist in four key areas over the coming months: Contestants, Marketing, Ticket Sales, and Sponsorship. You can support our contestants by donating on the official fundraiser page for St. Peter's School and the Church, Dromiskin. Every contribution makes a real difference by going to the link: <https://clubspotevents.ie/clubs/st-peters-school-church-dromiskin/>

There is still time for new contestants to take part, fundraise, and enjoy the event on 31st May 2026 at the Fairways Hotel Dundalk ie people in DARVER, DROMISKIN, KILKERLEY, KNOCKBRIDGE & LOUTH. If you would like to get involved or participate, please contact Kirstie Matthews on 087 915 6682

### **Sacrament of Confirmation 2026**

**Knockbridge** : Friday 17th April at 11.00am **Darver & Dromiskin**: Thursday 23rd April at 11.00am

**Kilkerry**: Friday 24th April at 11.00am **Louth**: Friday 8th May at 11.00am

**Service of Light** in St.Peter's Church Dromiskin on Thursday 16th April at 7.00pm

**Do This in Memory Mass** is Sunday 19th April in all Parishes in the Pastoral Area...

**Trocaire Boxes:** If you haven't already done so, please leave your Trocaire Box in your church sacristy or at the parochial house as soon as possible

**Love to Sing? Join Your Local Church Choir!** We're looking for new choir members in all the churches of our Pastoral Area! Whether you're a seasoned singer or just love to hum along at Mass, this is your moment. Choir ministry is a beautiful way to serve the Lord, build community, and uplift our liturgies with joy and reverence. Interested? Contact one of the choir leaders in your parish or get in touch with the Pastoral Area Office 042 6827418

**St. Joseph's Redemptorist Church Dundalk** The Triduum in honour of the 300<sup>th</sup> Ann. of the birth of St. Gerard Majella will take place on the 13<sup>th</sup>/14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> of April. We will have 3 sessions each day: at 9.30am, at 1.10pm and at 7.30pm.

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**Our Lady  
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Peace  
Pastoral  
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**5th April 2026  
Easter Sunday**



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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.

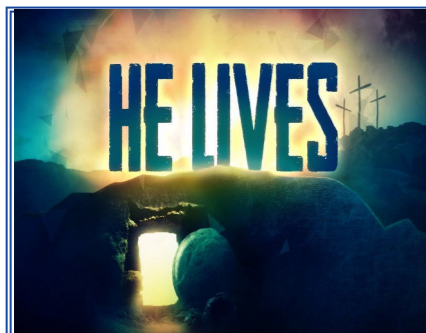
**CONFESSIONS:** Before monthly **Family Tree Healing Mass ( Sun. 3pm Mon. 7pm)** or on request.

**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

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

Tuesday 9.30am:

Thursday 9.30am

## CHURCH OF SAINT PETER, DROMISKIN

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

Mon. 6th April. -6.20pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 6.30pm Rosary

7.00pm Mass & Novena - 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

Easter Saturday Vigil 4th April 9.00pm: Brieghe Bourton, 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

Tuesday 9.30am—

Thursday 9.30am

## CHURCH OF ST. MARY'S, KNOCKBRIDGE

Easter Saturday Vigil 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 Meegan, Donal Carney, Special intention

Easter Sunday 5th April Kilcrouney 9.30am—Alex Sweeney

Wed - 9.30am: Fri - 9.30am —

Adoration: Monday 10am to 10pm

## CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION, LOUTH

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

Easter Sunday 5th April 9.30am: - People of the Parish

Tues 9.30am—

Fri 9.30am—

ROSARY&ADORATION: Tuesday 10am–12noon

## OUR LADY OF SNOWS CHURCH, STONETOWN

Mass on Easter Sunday at 11am - People of the parish

Mass on the second Friday 10th 7.30pm - Eileen & Packie Kerr, Pat Joe Kerr & DFM

**RECENTLY DECEASED.** Please pray for Peggy Hughes, Stella Cassidy, Katrina Loughran, Thomas Gleeson, Margaret Nugent, Barbara Farrell, Kathleen Roddy, Pat Kearney, Thomas Halpenny, Mary Bailey, Tony Callan, James Faul

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

**Darver:** Sunday 12th April 10.30am - Gerry & Marie Clerkin

**Dromiskin:** Saturday 11th April 7.00pm - Anne, Patrick Culligan & Agnes & Owen

**Kilkerley:** Saturday 11th April 6.00pm - Mary Bailey M.M, Thomas O'Hare, Noel Wallace

Sunday 12th April 10.30am - Bernard Sharkey, James & Ellen Gorman & DFM,

**Knockbridge:** Saturday 11th April 7.30pm - Peadar Carolan & DFM, Ann McMahon

Sunday 12th April 11.30am – Pat & Kathleen King, Nicola King & DFM, Brian Maguire,

Packie & Christina Morgan

**Louth:** Saturday 11th April 5.30pm – James Faul M.M, Veronica Markey, Owen, Elizabeth, & Rose Callan,

Michael Kearney & DFM, Maureen McDonnell, Teddy & Patrick Pepper & DFM

Sunday 12th April 9.30am —

**COLLECTIONS DROMISKIN:** 29TH MARCH €452

**DARVER** 29TH MARCH € 422

**KILKERLEY:** 29TH MARCH €1077

**KNOCKBRIDGE:** 29TH MARCH €850

**LOUTH:** 29TH MARCH €910

### **Easter Thanks & Blessings**

Fr. Gerry, Fr. Pat, Fr. Brian, Fr. Sijo and Deacon Martin extend their sincere and heartfelt thanks to all who joined us in celebrating the Easter Triduum during this special Jubilee Year of Hope.

We are deeply grateful to everyone who helped make our Holy Week and Easter ceremonies so prayerful, dignified, and beautiful. In a special way, we thank our Sacristans, Choirs, Readers, Eucharistic Ministers, Altar Servers, Collectors, and all who gave of their time, gifts, and presence in any way. Your generosity, dedication, and faithful service enriched our celebration of the Passion, Death, and Resurrection of the Lord, and helped make these sacred days deeply meaningful for our whole parish community.

Easter reminds us that hope is alive, that Christ is risen, and that His love continues to renew and strengthen us. As we celebrate this holy season, we pray that the joy of the Risen Lord will fill your hearts and homes with peace, hope, and blessing. May the light of Easter remain with you and your families

### **Happy Easter from the Pastoral Area Council (PAC)**

**Lorraine Quigley:** Chairperson (Hospitality) **Joan McKenna** ( Ministers of the Word) **Jean McLoughlin** (Ministers of the Eucharist) **Maura Melia** (Ministry of Music) **Eileen Fitzpatrick** (Baptism Team) **Catherine Barrett** ( Bereavement Team) **Lisa Carragher** ( Children's Liturgy) **Eugene Callan** (Sacristans). **Kirstie Matthews:** Secretary ( Communication)

**Easter Hope, Easter Joy, EASTER CONGRESS!** During this blessed Easter Season, we give thanks to God for the great grace and encouragement of the **Diocesan Congress on Youth, Family and Faith**. It was a moment of real hope and joy for our Archdiocese and for our Pastoral Area, reminding us that the Risen Lord is alive and at work among His people. We express our sincere gratitude to all our local delegates for the generous time, energy, faith and commitment they gave in preparing for and participating in this important event in the life of the Archdiocese of Armagh. Their contribution has been a wonderful witness of hope, service and love for the future of our Church. As we continue to celebrate Easter, **the Pastoral Area Council (PAC) and our delegates** will now gather to reflect on the fruits of the Congress, to recognise the many blessings already present in our parishes, and to begin putting into action some of its recommendations. This meeting will take place on **Monday, 27th April, at 7.45pm in the Parochial House, Knockbridge.**

We pray that the Holy Spirit will guide and inspire this important next step, so that this Easter Season may truly become a time of renewal, growth and new life for all our parish communities. The Risen Christ calls us always forward in hope. May this Easter bring fresh energy, deeper faith and renewed joy to our Pastoral Area, and may the work begun through the Congress bear much fruit in the months ahead.

### **Mercy Prayer Healing – Divine Mercy Sunday 12th April**

Join us next Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> April for Mercy Prayer Healing on Divine Mercy Sunday, as we gather in faith and hope under the theme: **“Divine Mercy Heals Generations”**

2.30pm – 3.45pm: Confessions

3.00pm – 4.00pm: Adoration, Sung Divine Mercy Chaplet, and Holy Rosary

4.00pm: Family Tree Healing Mass, followed by veneration of the Divine Mercy Picture

5.20pm: Hospitality in the Community Centre

Everyone is welcome to come and experience the healing mercy, peace, and love of Christ.

**Kilkerley ICA** chair exercise classes starting Wed 8th April in Kilkerley Community Centre from 11am –12. €10