ST PETER'S CHURCH CENTENARY BUILDING PROJECT – THE WORK GOES ON

As we celebrate 100 years of St Peter's Church, we are delighted that **Phase 1 is now complete!** The beautiful altar mosaics (€36,000) and stained-glass repairs (€5,500) have been finished, thanks largely to €30,000 from the Quid Games and €10,000 from a generous private donor. But the work goes on! The remaining phases include:

Phase 2: Weekday Mass chapel/meeting room (€20,000).
Phase 3: Complete rewiring and lighting (€160,000).
Phase 4: New toilet, boiler and storage building (€60,000).
Phase 5: External surfacing and drainage (€75,000).

With Phase 1 completed, the estimated cost of the remaining works has reduced from the original overall budget of €450,000–€500,000 to **€408,500–€458,500**, including associated building and professional costs. Since our Centenary Appeal began on 19th July, **€51,468 has been donated.** We sincerely thank everyone who has contributed, but much more support is needed. Every donation makes a difference & strengthens our applications for grant funding.

Donations may be made by cheque to ***Darver Dromiskin Parochial Account*** or by bank transfer to **IE62 BOFI 9033 6574 4782 26.** Cash or cheques may also be left with Fr. Pat at Readypenny or Fr. Gerry at Knockbridge. Please include your name and contact details. **Phase 1 is complete. Together, let us finish the work and secure St Peter's for the next 100 years!**

St. Peter's Church – 100th Anniversary: A Lasting Tribute to Our Loved Ones

To mark the 100th anniversary of St. Peter's Church (1926–2026), Dromiskin Tidy Towns is undertaking a unique and meaningful project to celebrate our parish's rich heritage, faith and community spirit. We have commissioned the creation of a magnificent large cross, made up of **100 individual crosses**, which will be permanently displayed in the church grounds as a lasting tribute to our community and to those who have gone before us. We are inviting parishioners, families and friends, both at home and abroad, to become part of this special centenary project by **dedicating an individual cross in memory of a loved one**, whether they are buried in the parish or elsewhere. Each cross costs **€100**, and the names of all those remembered will be recorded alphabetically in a special commemorative panel ensuring their memory remains part of our parish's history for generations to come. This is a wonderful opportunity to remember loved ones while contributing to a unique and lasting memorial that will stand as a symbol of faith, remembrance and community for the next 100 years. **Expressions of interest are invited by Monday, 30th November 2026.** Please email **tidytownsdromiskin@gmail.com** to reserve a cross or request further information

Diocesan Congress Follow –up meeting will take place in St. Gerards Hall, Dundalk on **Tuesday 24th November from 7pm to 9.30pm**. 12 will be attending from our Pastoral Area (clergy & lay delegates). They will reflect on 5 Missionary Pathways identified by The Diocesan Pastoral Council and Congress Team to guide our next steps.

1 ***To deepen our encounter with Christ and to renew prayer in our homes, parishes and personal lives.***
2 ***To strengthen formation for intentional & missionary discipleship, assisting children, young people and adults to know their faith and proclaim it with confidence…***
3. ***To renew our accompaniment of young people and families, strengthen cooperation between homes, parishes & schools to create spaces and opportunities where faith can be inspired, shared and deepened.***
4. ***To renew how to celebrate parish liturgy, the sacraments and pray together, welcoming and encouraging others to be drawn more deeply into relationship and belonging with Christ and the Church.***
5. ***To enhance communications, digital mission, evangelisation and invitation, reaching out and sharing the Gospel, opening new doors to encounter.***

Lectio Divina with Fr. Gerry is back

What is Lectio Divina? It is a beautiful way of praying with scripture—reading, reflecting and meditating on the Word of God, allowing it to speak to our hearts and guide our lives. In the words of St. Jerome: '***Ignorance of Scripture is ignorance of Christ'***. Everyone is welcome to Lectio Divina and we especially encourage all Ministers of the Word to take part—this will enhance your ministry. Those who recently finished the Sycamore Programme as well as those who attended the New Life in the Spirit Seminars, those who attended Lectio Divina in Lent and all others who may be interested; come let us listen together to God's living Word and allow it to shape us more deeply as disciples of Christ. . Refreshments will be served afterwards. The venue is **the parochial house, Knockbridge**. You can do this by phone call or email olqopoffice@gmail.com The dates are as followers: **Mon. 23rd Nov**. **Tues. 1st Dec**. **Mon. 7th Dec**. **Mon. 14th Dec.** Duration : 7.30pm -8.30pm.

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22nd November 2026
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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 were 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** 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** no later than Wednesday midnight.

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

Church of Saint Michael, Darver

Sunday 22nd November 10.30am— Eileen & Joe Cluskey & dec members of the Dorian & Cluskey families, Henry & Angela Sweeney

Tuesday 9.30am: **Thursday 9.30am**

Church of Saint Peter, Dromiskin

Saturday 21st November 7.00pm— Ollie Corrigan M.M, Kitty & Frank Downey, Christy Reilly Mary B. Herity

Mon 23rd November . **-6.20pm** Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament **6.30pm** Rosary **7.00pm** Mass & Novena — **Wed—9.10am** Rosary, **9.30am** Mass

Fri 9.10am Rosary, **9.30am** Mass— **10am Adoration**

Church of the Immaculate Conception, Kilkerley

Saturday 21st November 6.00pm— Patsy McCann M.M., Kathleen, Owen & Cian Quigley & DFM, James & Anna Quigley, Eugene Quigley & DFM

Sunday 22nd November 10.30am -

Tuesday : 9.30am— **Thursday 9.30am—**

ROSARY & ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT FRIDAY 6.30-7.30PM

Church of St. Mary's, Knockbridge

Saturday 21st November 7.30pm - Vicky Wallace & DFM,

Sunday 22nd November 11.30am – James Nugent M.M, May McArdle

Wed 9.30am— **Fri 9.30am**

Monday- Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 10am to 10pm

Church of the Immaculate Conception, Louth

Saturday 21st November 5.30pm – Kitty Martin,Marian Mahon, Joseph Lambe, Brendan Lambe, Denis Byrne,

Sunday 22nd November 9.30am — Alice Hanratty , Anthony Rooney, James & Nora Pepper

Tues 9.30am— Fri 9.30am

Our Lady of Snows Church, Stonetown

1st Sunday of the month 11.00am—

Second Friday of the month 7.30pm

St. Endas Prayer group Stonetown National School—Monday 23rd November Mass at 7.00pm

Recently Deceased. Please pray for Enda McGeough, Joan Finlay (nee Faughey) Paddy Corrigan, Paddy Bailey, Paddy Fee, Gerard McFadden, Patricia McHugh, Carl Cervi, Mary Watters (nee Woods), Mairead Brennan, Ollie Corrigan, James Nugent, Patsy McCann,

Anniversaries for next week:

Darver: **Sunday 29th November 10.30am: —** Patricia McHugh M.M., Carl Cervi M.M, John Eileen & Irene O'Brien

Dromiskin: **Saturday 28th November 7.00pm —** Kathleen & Jim Conlon

Kilkerley: **Saturday 28th November 6.00pm—** Ann Smyth, Tom & Peggy Monahan, Charlie, Bridget & John McMaster

Sunday 29th November 10.30am— Mary Conroy (nee McCabe), Fr. Ken McCabe & DFM, Anna & Aidan Corcoran, John & Rose-Ann Rafferty & dec. members of the Rafferty & McKenna family, Edward & Nan Donnelly

Knockbridge: Saturday 28th November 7.30pm—

Sunday 29th November 11.30am— Paddy Myers, Patrick & Katie Brennan, Jim Kerr, Margaret O'Malley, Moya Hoey, Pete & Peggy Brennan, McGahon family (Prospect),Brennan family (Springhill)

Louth: **Saturday 28th November 5.30pm—**

Sunday 29th November 9.30am— Thomas Byrne, Tom Martin

Collections

Dromiskin : 15th November €994 ***Darver*** 15th November €400 **Louth** 15th November €870 ***Kilkerley:*** 15th November € 955 **Knockbridge:** 15th November € 1098

Do This in Memory Mass will take place THIS WEEKEND **Sat. 21st Nov**. Dromiskin @7pm. **Sun. 22nd Nov**. Louth @ 9.30am Darver @ 10.30am, Kilkerley @ 10.30am Knockbridge @ 11.30am

Kilkerley ICA are holding a cake sale TODAY **Sunday the 22nd November** in the Kilkerley Community Centre following 10.30am Mass. Proceeds in aid of Kilkerley Athletics Club. All support greatly appreciated

Mass of the Angels: Every November we have a special Mass for children who died either before or after birth. This year the Mass will take place in **St. Mary's Church, Knockbridge Wed. 25th Nov. at 7.30pm.** All parishioners from our Pastoral Area (Darver & Dromiskin, Kilkerley, Knockbridge and Louth) and beyond our Pastoral Area are welcome to attend. Refreshments will be served afterwards in the Parish Centre.

Apostolic Workers – There will be **a Special Collection** on **the weekend of 28th & 29th November** in all churches of Our Lady Queen of Peace Pastoral Area**.** The Apostolic workers assist Irish Missionaries priests and religious. They do this through prayer**,** material and financial help**,** supplying sacred vessels, Mass kits, altar linens, vestments, and much more and they support missionaries in difficult and challenging places around the world**.** Your generosity enables this important mission to continue bringing Christ's love to those who need it most.

ADVENT 2026 : 16 HOURS OF EUCHARISTIC ADORATION For the Conversion of Our Pastoral Area
Saturday 28th November 8.00am – Midnight St Mary's Church, Knockbridge
As we begin Advent (a new liturgical year) parishioners across our Pastoral Area and beyond are invited to spend an hour with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament, praying for the conversion and spiritual renewal of our families and parishes. There is a sign up sheet at the entrance to the church. **Mass at 7.30pm.** Prayer services will open and close the day. Bring a friend. Please consider committing to one hour of Adoration. *Open the doors, let Jesus return.* **Watch one hour with me." (Matthew 26:40)**
PA Advent Penitential Service. Friday 18th December at 7.30pm

Family Tree Healing Mass will take place on Monday 30th Nov. at 8pm preceded by Confessions at 7pm and the rosary at 7.30pm All are welcome

GATHERING OF FRIENDS: Our Christmas Party is on 2nd December at 2pm, in The Valley Lodge, Carrickmacross. If you are attending, please give your name to Geraldine 086 280 0923 or John 086 1767992, or any committee member. Please mention if you will require bus transport.
Knockbridge Vintage Club Presentation Night & Christmas Party. Sat.5th Dec. 2026 from 8pm in the Community Centre.

Darver & Dromiskin: St Ronan's Conference of Saint Vincent de Paul will be holding their annual Christmas Appeal on the 5th & 6th Dec.at both Masses. They will also be collecting outside Centra, Dromiskin on Sat 5th Dec. All funds raised will go to people in the locality who are struggling to make ends meet.
Stonetown Saint Vincent de Paul collection takes place on Sunday 6th December and **Louth** collection on 12th/13th Dec