



Parish of Newtownards & Comber

Sunday 6th April 2025

Fifth Sunday of Lent (Passiontide Begins)

THIS WEEK	
SATURDAY 5th	6pm—6.20pm <i>Confessions</i> 6.30pm Vigil Mass Newtownards
SUNDAY 6th	10am Mass Comber 11.30am Mass Newtownards
MONDAY 7th	9am— 9.20am <i>Confessions</i> 9.30am Mass Newtownards
TUESDAY 8th	No Mass
WEDNESDAY 9th	No Mass
THURSDAY 10th	9am— 9.20am <i>Confessions</i> 9.30am Mass Newtownards
FRIDAY 11th	9am— 9.20am <i>Confessions</i> 9.30am Mass Newtownards 10am Benediction

WE PRAY FOR OUR DEAD

Michael Trolan, Maureen Keenan,
John West, Theresa West,
Vincent West,
Samuel Robinson, Sean Delaney,
Bernie Kelly, Marie Copeland,
Eithne Cranstan
Yvonne Coffee, James Cummins,
Nurse Margret Mc Cormack,
David Morrow, Patrick Dynes

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

Weekly Offering £1574.48

Non-stop Draw Week 49

£100 Karen Mc Guigan.
£50 Adam Murphy.
£50 Una Wright.

ST PATRICK'S PARISH HALL

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PENITENTIAL SERVICES FOR HOLY WEEK

BALLYCRAN Sunday 13th 7pm, **NEWTOWNARDS** Monday 14th 7pm, **BALLYGALGET** Tuesday 15th 6pm & **PORTAFERRY** 7pm

PILGRIMS OF HOPE THIS LENT GUIDED PRAYER

Most Holy Redeemer Ballyholme, Bangor, 6th and 13th April 5pm to 6.30pm .

KNOCK 2025 The Down and Connor Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock will be on Sunday 8th June. A coach will leave early Saturday morning 7th June . Full board accommodation will be in St Mary's across the road from Our Lady's Shrine. The cost will be £160. To secure a booking a deposit of £50 can be given to Brenda Cafolla or Anne Stafford. For further information contact Brenda on 07530156389.

THE PARISH DRAW The draw for the annual prizes £2,000 £750 and £250 will take place week 51 15th April. Please ensure all members are fully paid up. Thankyou. REMEMBER IF YOU ARE NOT IN YOU CAN'T WIN

PAIGE'S CAFÉ Sunday 6 April in the Parish Hall after 11.30 am Mass. All welcome

STAINER'S CRUCIFIXION Sunday 6th April Bangor Abbey church. 6.30pm Fr Eugene O Hagan and Bangor Abbey Choir and others. Collection to NI Hospice.

CONTINUOUS PRAYER

FOR MARRIAGE AND FAMILY LIFE.

April



*We pray for the well-being of
all families everywhere
around the world.*

*Monday
the 7th is our
Parish prayer day.*

PRIESTS OF THE PARISH

Very Rev. Martin O'Hagan PP
Rev. Andrew Black SSL

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A good confession heals the soul and restores us to God's mercy. Confession is a unique opportunity to unburden ourselves from our own faults and failings. God's love for us is greater than our sinfulness and he willingly forgives us when we ask him. To prepare well for making a good confession prayerfully read through this examination of conscience and ask Jesus to help you seek his mercy.

FIRST COMMANDMENT

Did I doubt or deny that God exists?
Did I refuse to believe what God has revealed to us?
Did I believe or engage in any occult practices like fortune telling?
Did I give time to God each day in prayer?
Did I fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday?
Did I love God with my whole heart?
Did I despair of or presume on God's mercy?
Did I have false gods in my life that I gave greater attention to than God, like money, profession, drugs, TV, fame, pleasure, property, etc.?
Did I always properly prepare to receive Jesus in Holy Communion, especially by observing the one hour fast beforehand?

SECOND COMMANDMENT

Did I blaspheme or insult God?
Did I take God's name carelessly or uselessly?
Did I curse, or break an oath or vow?
Did I get angry with God?

THIRD COMMANDMENT

Did I miss Mass Sunday or a Holy Day of Obligation through my own fault?
Did I do work on Sunday that was not necessary?
Did I set aside Sunday as a day of rest and a family day?
Did I show reverence in the presence of Jesus in the Most Blessed Sacrament?

FOURTH COMMANDMENT

Did I disobey or disrespect my parents or those in authority?
Did I neglect my duties to my wife, husband, children or parents?
Did I neglect to give good religious example to my family?
Did I fail to actively take an interest in the religious education and formation of my children?
Did I fail to educate myself on the true teachings of the Church?
Did I give scandal by what I said or did, especially to the young?
Did I cause tension and fights in my family?
Did I care for my aged and infirm relatives?
Did I give a full day's work for a full day's pay?
Did I give a fair wage to my employees?

FIFTH COMMANDMENT

Did I kill or physically injure anyone?
Did I have an abortion, or advise someone else to have an abortion?
Did I attempt suicide?
Did I get angry, impatient, envious, unkind, proud, revengeful, jealous, hateful toward another, lazy?
Did I give bad example by drug abuse, drinking alcohol to excess, fighting, quarrelling?
Did I treat my children with love and respect?

SIXTH COMMANDMENT & NINTH COMMANDMENTS

Did I willfully entertain impure thoughts or desires?
Did I use impure or suggestive words? Tell impure stories? Listen to them?
Did I use the internet in an irresponsible manner?
Did I respect the gift of purity?
Did I commit impure acts with another?
Did I practice artificial birth control?
Did I respect all members of the opposite sex, or have I thought of other people as objects?
Did I fully respect my spouse and strive to be faithful to them?

SEVENTH & TENTH COMMANDMENTS

Did I steal, cheat, help or encourage others to steal or keep stolen goods?
Did I fulfil my contracts; give or accept bribes; pay my bills; rashly gamble or speculate; deprive my family of the necessities of life?
Did I waste time at work, school or at home?
Did I envy other people's families or possessions?
Did I make material possessions the purpose of my life?

EIGHTH COMMANDMENT

Did I lie?
Did I deliberately deceive others, or injure others by lies?
Did I gossip or reveal others' faults or sins?
Did I fail to keep secret what should be confidential?