



**Weekend Mass Schedule**

Fr. Gerry Powell P.P. 4 Hibernian Road Laurencetown Craigavon B163 6AJ Tel: 096 24336 Fax: 096 25440	<table border="1"> <tr><th>Mass</th><th>Saturday</th><th>Sunday</th></tr> <tr><td>Laurencetown</td><td>6.00pm</td><td>10.00am</td></tr> <tr><td>Gifford</td><td></td><td>11.30am</td></tr> <tr><td>Clare</td><td>7.30pm</td><td></td></tr> </table>	Mass	Saturday	Sunday	Laurencetown	6.00pm	10.00am	Gifford		11.30am	Clare	7.30pm		Fr. Martin Mc Donagh C.S.Sp 2 Hunter's Hill Road Gifford Craigavon B163 6AJ Tel: 0938 831256
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**Weekday Mass Schedule**

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
7.30pm	10.00am	10.00am	10.00am	10.00am to School
Gifford	10.00am	No Mass	10.00am	10.00am

**ANNIVERSARIES**

Sat 25th 6.00pm	Laurencetown
Sun 26th 10.00am	John Michael & Jenny Peasey Dec'd members of the Peasey Family Mary Catherine Byrne
Mon 27th 7.30pm	Joe & Rose McAvoy Joseph Tomlin
Tue 28th 10.00am	Special Intention
Thurs 30th 10.00am	Special Intention
Sat 30th 4.00pm	John Doyle
Sun 3rd 10.00am	Mark Cooney
Sun 3rd 11.30am	Gifford
Sun 26th 11.30am	Michael Byrne John Sheehan
Thurs 30th 10.00am	Dec'd members of the Moore & Padoa Families
Sun 3rd 11.30am	Clare
Sat 25th 7.30pm	Mary, Thomas & Jack Tait Joseph McConville Cecilia & Mabel Prentice

**Confessions**  
Laurencetown Sunday 5.15 - 6.45 pm  
Gifford Sunday 10.45 - 11.15 am

**MINISTERS OF THE WORD**

	T. Town	Gifford	Clare
Sat 25th	J. Byrne		M. Lavery
Sun 26th	M. Henry	P. M. Parnell	
Sat 30th	J. Byrne		A. C. East
Sun 3rd	P. Hinds	T. Corbett	

Tullylish Parish welcomes it's newest members into the Christian Community  
**Fr. Martin Mc Donagh & Dorey Elizabeth McColgan, Donaghmore**  
 with the **Cooney, Blaney** and congratulate their parents and family

**Magis '09 - For young people who want to give more of their lives to God**  
 Magis is a week long immersion experience lived in the community with other young people over 18 years of age. The programme will be made up of four experiences: pilgrimage, social awareness, creative and vocational. It will be done in a residential setting and will provide opportunities for financial and community. They will take place from 28th June-5th July, based in St. Columba's College Newry and cost €110 per person. This covers insurance for the pilgrimage and full board and lodging provisions. An information evening will be held in Every Pastoral Centre on Friday 1st May at 7.00pm. This meeting will give you an opportunity to learn more about Magis '09 and to meet the leaders.

**FIRST THURSDAY & FRIDAY**  
 The sick and housebound will be attended as usual

Collection 15th May 2009

T. Town 400.20	Gifford 440.00
Clare 400.00	Total 1,240.20

**Important Dates**  
 Sacrament of First Holy Communion  
 Laurencetown - Saturday 2nd May 2009 at 11am  
 Gifford - Saturday 16th May 2009 at 11am  
**Cemetery Sunday - Sunday 24th May 2009**  
 Laurencetown 2.30pm & Clare 4.00pm

**Annual Collection For the Education Of Priests**  
 This collection will be taken up this weekend. The collection provides funds for the training of students for the priesthood. We now have four students and I would ask you to support them with your prayers and financial support.  
 St. Joseph's Young Priests Society does great work in many parishes to encourage prayer and support for vocations to the priesthood. The money the Society collects goes to a central fund in Dublin, which helps to support students for the priesthood, in Ireland and abroad.

**T.L.C.**  
 The T.L.C. Group meet every Tuesday morning in the Den, Laurencetown from 10.30 - 12.30  
 The group are holding another raffle quiz on Sunday 24th May at 2.30pm in the Den. All proceeds to Parish Fund.

**Procure Fuel To Date £295.41**  
 3 washers, an allen key and suitcase key!!  
 Please return your box A.S.A.P

**Laurencetown Church Appeal**  
 I would like to thank those parishioners who have contacted me with promises of financial help. A private appeal is made to the many, many, some of whom are young workers who, perhaps, could not contribute, to assist their fellow parishioners by giving a little to the weekly collection and therefore making the burden that little bit lighter for all. We also appeal to former parishioners living in other parishes or abroad. The following donations have been gratefully received, £2000, 3 x £1,000, £500 and 7 x £100.00 Thank you.

The work will begin in the first week of June and will take ten weeks to complete. During that time the church will be closed. The weekend masses will be celebrated in St. Columba's Home Primary School and the weekday masses in the Den. Funerals and Baptisms will be celebrated in the Clare and Gifford.

Fr. Gerry Powell  
 Parish Priest  
 Anyone wishing to leave a donation can do so by contacting Fr. G. Powell or the Parish Office.

**St Patrick's High School Class of 1989 Reunion**  
 The Coach Inn Banbridge on Friday 15th of May 2009, admission £10 proceeds in aid of *The Derry War Trust*  
 For further information contact Paul Heathcote 07225442424  
 Paul Lyness 07901858274 or Scena McDermott 07739108484.

**TULLYLISH G.A.C.**  
 LOTTO Numbers: 1,2,14,14  
 3 No winners: B. Taitley, L. Rafferty, D. McAlinden  
 No Jackpot Winner - next week £2500

**Football Training (now at Tullylish Club Hall)**  
 Monday 11.0 am - 8.00PM  
 Tuesday 10.0 am - 6.00PM  
 Wednesday 10.0 am - 6.00PM

**125 Years of the GAA Tullylish**  
 As part of its celebrations for 125 Years of the GAA Tullylish is holding an exhibition of club history on Sunday 10th May 2009. The 125 Years Centenary Committee are seeking the names of any past players who played for the club and it would be appreciated if anyone having the names (with date when they played) could contact the Club Secretary, Paddy O'Connell, at the club office or by email: Paddy.O'Connell@tullylishgac.ie or by phone: 096 24336. The exhibition will be held in the club hall on Sunday 10th May 2009 from 11.00am to 4.00pm. Free admission. All proceeds to the club.

All past players and members are invited to attend our 125 Celebrations in Tullylish GAC on Friday 10th May. It will be an open day from 1pm to 5pm with the days events take place.

**Letter from Bishop John McCreavey on Safeguarding Children**

The recent publication of *Safeguarding children: standards and guidance* document for the Catholic Church in Ireland and the report requested from the Dublin Archdiocese Commission of Investigation, will once again highlight the need for every diocese to regularly review and evaluate its approach towards the safety of children.

The safety and welfare of children is of paramount concern in the Diocese of Down.

Its child safety policy aims to ensure a safe environment, where risks are identified and where these risks are supported. The diocese also seeks to deal with all allegations seriously, justly and promptly. Since my appointment, the safeguarding of children within the Diocese of Down has always been guided by recommended best practice. Today, the safety of children is managed by a special diocesan committee, which was established in 2007. In addition to ensuring the full implementation and communication of the Diocesan policy on child safety, the committee is tasked with setting, in accordance with civil law, all clergy and lay people who have contact with children in a church setting.

Furthermore, an external advisory panel reviews child protection issues in the diocese and makes recommendations about priests against whom allegations of child sexual abuse are made. No allegations of sexual abuse have been made against any of the priests currently serving in the Diocese of Down.

When Pope Benedict XVI last met with the Irish Bishops he outlined essential elements of a policy regarding the protection of children. He said: "In your continuing efforts to deal effectively with this problem, it is important to establish the trust of other believers in the past, in the whatever steps are necessary to prevent it from occurring again, to ensure that the protection of justice is fully respected, and above all, to bring healing to the victims and all those affected by these heinous crimes. I want to assure everyone that, in accordance with current best practice, the Diocese will continue to support those who have suffered any harm as a result of abuse by members of the Church in the past but they have been left down by the Church in its response to any reported case of abuse in the past. I would once again like to take this opportunity to encourage those who have and yet come forward to do so now either to the diocese or to contact the civil authorities directly."

John McCreavey

**ALL INFORMATION - DEVELOPMENT FROM MARCH 2009**  
 Tullylish GAC would like to thank anyone who supported the new development. The money was as follows:

1000 - Fr. Gerry Powell, Clare Frangas, Owenby, Gifford, Co. Down  
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