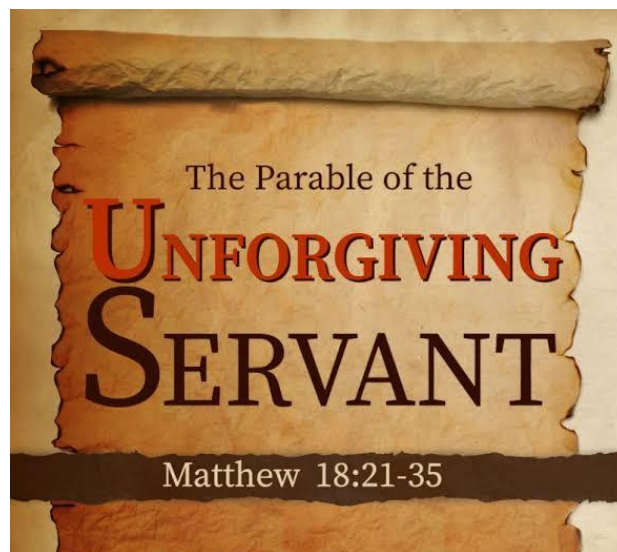


Priest on duty this week: Monsignor Hugh Connolly 07990096724

MAYOBRIDGE PARISH BULLETIN

Sunday 13th September 2026

Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time



I tell you, not seven, but seventy-seven times.

Matthew 18: 21-35

Parish Hall Bookings: Thomas Gallagher 07831 272638

SAFEGUARDING: Designated person for Dromore Diocese Mr Stephen Sherry 07301246329
safeguardingdirector@dromorediocese.org

PARISH SAFEGUARDING REPRESENTATIVE – Goretti Gallagher 028 30850270

Action on Elder Abuse: Helpline 0808088141. www.elderabuse.org/northernireland



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(Suggested donation 30p—please put your donation in the Missalette Box)
Sunday 13th September Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time Cycle A

PARISH OFFICE - Open Monday to Thursday 9.00am to 3.00pm.

Contact Brenda and Majella 028 3085 0270 Answering Service & Email available

To book Anniversaries contact Parish Office or mayobridgeparish@dromorediocese.org

Baptisms, Marriages and Funerals phone

Monsignor Hugh Connolly 07990096724 Fr Zeb Obasi MSP 07570342290

Bulletin News to [Parish Office](#) by Wednesday

Parish Website: www.mayobridgeparish.com Parish Webcam available here

Information for parish website email: website@mayobridgeparish.com

Baptisms will be every 4th Sunday of the month at 12.30pm

DAY/DATE September	TIME	ANNIVERSARIES
		All Masses streamed live from the Church Webcam
Sat 12 th	6.00pm	Sean McConville, Bavan Bridget and Tommy Duffy, Newry Road
Sun 13 th	10.30am	Monsignor Arthur Bradley Patrick Flannagan, Mayo Road Claire Rooney, Tamnaharry Hill
Mon 14 th	7.30pm	Perpetual Novena Mass to St Anne
Tues 15 th	10.30am	Mass
Wed 16 th	10.30am	Mass
Thur 17 th	7.30pm	Mass
Fri 18 th	10.30am	Mass
Sat 19 th	6.00pm	Fr Tom McAteer James Miskelly, Mayo Road & Eoin Farrell, Rostrevor Pat & Eileen Teague, Edentrumley Road Margaret, Bernard, Gerald, Bernadette, Patsy & Teresa McGinnis, Ballyvalley Road Martina McNamee, Lisbane Park Dot & Peter Connolly, St Anne's Park
Sun 20 th	10.30am	Martin Flynn, Hillside, Chapel Hill Brian Fegan, Newry

**RECENTLY DECEASED – We pray for the happy repose of the soul of
Gerry Cambell, 8 Clontifleece Road, Burren. May he rest in peace.**

DAY/DATE	TIME	READERS	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS
Sat 12 th	6.00 pm	Roisin Woods	Sr Rosemary, Bridghe McPolin
Sun 13 th	10.30am	Veronica Quinn	Lena Smyth, Jacqui Ward
Sat 19 th	6.00 pm	Mary Gallagher	Lynette Magee, Mairead Rooney
Sun 20 th	10.30am	Darran Rooney	Sally Gribben, Veronica Quinn

**SAINT ANNE'S OIL AND CORD can be obtained from
Mrs Lily Gribben, Tel – 028 3085 1424**

Readers and Eucharistic Ministers required. Contact the Parish Office.

PARISH FINANCIAL SUPPORT. Thank you for your support of the Parish for last week Sunday 6th September £1153.48 The number of Envelopes and/or Direct Debits returned were **104**. The number of Envelopes allocated is **310**. Envelopes can be returned to Convent Front Door. Thank you sincerely for your generosity to your parish whether by weekly envelope, Direct Debit, Contactless payment or covenant.

GRAVEYARD NOTICE Before any work may commence on any grave you are required to contact the Parish Office.

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
on Monday at 6.30pm and Thursday 6.15pm**

Holy Hour in honour of **Jesus the Divine Mercy** in Mayobridge on Sun 13th September at 3pm. Everyone Welcome

CHAPEL CLEANING ROTA Thanks to volunteers **Pat Carroll, Nuala Rooney & Girls** who will clean the Church on a two-week rota beginning Sunday 6th & Sunday 13th September

Vocations Society of Saint Joseph

From 3rd September until 29th October the Thursday Eucharistic Adoration will focus on praying for vocations. Everyone is welcome to join us.

The Diocesan Pastoral Commission wishes to meet with Representatives of Parish Pastoral Committees. This meeting will take place on **Wednesday 23rd September at 7pm in St Peter's Parish Centre Warrenpoint.** The reason for the meeting is to explore ways of revitalising and renewing the Pastoral and Spiritual life of our parishes.

Save the Date.

Forget-Me-Not Café The next meeting of the Forget Me Not Café in the Whistledown Hotel will take place on **Tuesday 15th September from 2:30-4:00pm.** People with memory loss, their families and carers are warmly welcome to attend this gathering, sponsored by the Whistledown Hotel. Enjoy company, refreshments and entertainment in a safe and comfortable environment. Anyone living on their own will also be very welcome.
No need to book, just turn up on the day!

Dromore Diocesan Historical Society: Annual General Meeting

The Society will hold its Annual General Meeting on **Monday 14 September 2026 @ 7:00pm. in St Patrick's PS Ballymaghera, 13 Castlewellan Rd., Hilltown BT34 5UY.** After the formal business of Reports and election of officers, there will be a lecture at 7:30pm by Martin Goss entitled "**Dr James McPolin M.D.: Cabra and Limerick.**" Everyone very welcome.

CONFESSIONS – will be available on Saturdays 5.30pm to 5.45pm. Confession is also available at other times by direct appointment with Fr Zeb.

Can you help us help Ukraine?

Truck going out in Sept. We need help with:

• Medical supplies • Dry food • Winter coats & footwear •

Incontinence supplies. For more information contact:

Jacinta Curran 077 4353 9174 jacintacurran@hotmail.co.uk

or Geraldine Gaul 077 9671 2760 auntieg94@gmail.com



The Crochet Group is on Thursday at 10.30am in the Convent with new assortment of Tray Bakes.

Legion of Mary Trip to Knock Shrine Sun 27th Sept 7am pick-up The Square, Warrenpoint 7:15am pick-up Dominican Church, Newry £30 per person.

Contact: Briege O'Rourke 028 417 72167

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MANY HEARTS
PRAISING
TOGETHER

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All ages welcome!

ALL AGES WELCOME Children, young people, adults and our mature members	SING AT SATURDAY & SUNDAY MASSES Lift your voice in worship	NO EXPERIENCE NEEDED Just bring your enthusiasm and a willing heart!	WARM FRIENDLY WELCOME New members always welcome!	MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS WELCOME All instruments encouraged
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Let's fill our church with music, faith and joy!

GET INVOLVED – WE WOULD LOVE TO HAVE YOU!

CONTACT: Edel | 077 1389 4548

EVERY VOICE MATTERS. EVERY HEART BELONGS.

Your voice makes a difference!

HLI Ireland:
Fr Lawrence Carney (USA), international speaker and popular author, Provincial Tour of Ireland.

Join us for the Ulster event at the Canal Court Hotel, Newry, on Tuesday 29th September at 6:45pm, with a First Class Relic of St Thérèse. Free admission.

**Burren Men's Shed
Sligo Trip**
5 D, B&B 22nd November return 27th November.
Deposit now due.
Tel: 077 61642053

Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time A

Words of Welcome.

Penitential Rite.

You raise the dead to life in the Spirit:

Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

You bring pardon and peace to the sinner:

Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**

You bring light to those in darkness:

Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life. **Amen.**

I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do, through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest; and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you; we bless you; we adore you; we glorify you; we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly king, O God, almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

COLLECT

Let us pray.

Look upon us, O God. Creator and ruler of all things, and, that we may feel the working of your mercy, grant that we may serve you with all your heart.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

FIRST READING

A reading from the Book of Ecclesiasticus

Resentment and anger, these are foul things, and both are found with the sinner. He who exacts vengeance will experience the vengeance of the Lord, who keeps strict account of sin. Forgive your neighbour the hurt he does you, and when you pray, your sins will be forgiven. If a man nurses anger against another, can he then demand compassion from the Lord? Showing no pity for a man like himself, can he then plead for his own sins? Mere creature of flesh, he cherishes resentment; who will forgive him his sins? Remember the last things, and stop hating, remember dissolution and death, and live by the commandments. Remember the commandments, and do not bear your neighbour ill-will; remember the covenant of the Most High, and overlook the offence.

The Word of the Lord **Thanks be to God.**

Responsorial Psalm

Response: The Lord is compassion and love, slow to anger and rich in mercy.

1. My soul, give thanks to the Lord, all my being, bless his holy name. My soul, give thanks to the Lord and never forget all his blessings. **R/**

2. It is he who forgives all your guilt, who heals everyone of your ills, who redeems your life from the grave, who crowns you with love and compassion. **R/**

3. His wrath will come to an end; he will not be angry for ever. He does not treat us according to our sins nor repay us according to our faults. **R/**

4. For as the heavens are high above the earth so strong is his love for those who fear him. As far as the east is from the west so far does he remove our sins. **R/**

SECOND READING

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

The life and death of each of us has its influence on others; if we live, we live for the Lord; and if we die, we die for the Lord, so that alive or dead we belong to the Lord. This explains why Christ both died and came to life, it was so that he might be Lord both of the dead and of the living.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, Alleluia! Speak, Lord, your servant is listening: you have the message of eternal life. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Peter went up to Jesus and said, 'Lord, how often must I forgive my brother if he wrongs me? As often as seven times?' Jesus answered, 'Not seven, I tell you, but seventy-seven times. 'And so the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who decided to settle his accounts with his servants. When the reckoning began, they brought him a man who owed ten thousand talents; but he had no means of paying, so his master gave orders that he should be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, to meet the debt. At this, the servant threw himself down at his master's feet. "Give me time" he said "and I will pay the whole sum." And the servant's master felt so sorry for him that he let him go and cancelled the debt. Now as this servant went out, he happened to meet a fellow servant who owed him one hundred denarii; and he seized him by the throat and began to throttle him. "Pay what you owe me" he said. His fellow servant fell at his feet and implored him, saying, "Give me time and I will pay you". But the other would not agree; on the contrary, he had him thrown into prison till he should pay the debt. His fellow servants were deeply distressed when they saw what had happened, and they went to their master and reported the whole affair to him. Then the master sent for him. "You wicked servant," he said "I cancelled all that debt of yours when you appealed to me. Were you not bound, then, to have pity on your fellow servant just as I had pity on you?" And in his anger the master handed him over to the torturers till he should pay all his debt. And that is how my heavenly Father will deal with you unless you each forgive your brother from your heart.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily.

The Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of the Faithful

The Liturgy of the Eucharistic

Prayer over the Offerings.

Look with favour on our supplications, O Lord, and in your kindness accept these, your servants' offerings, that what each has offered to the honour of your name may serve the salvation of all. Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Communion Rite.

Communion Antiphon

How precious is your mercy, O God! The children of men seek shelter in the shadow of your wings.

Prayer after Communion

May the working of this heavenly gift, O Lord, we pray, take possession of our minds and bodies, so that its effects, and not our own desires, may always prevail in us.

Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Final Blessing