

Parish of Dunboe, Macosquin and Aghadowey

Sunday 8th February 2026
Year A Psalter Week I



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Office hours This week:

Monday 9th February – 9.15am – 1.30pm
Tuesday 10th February – 9.15am – 1.30pm
Thursday 12th February - Closed

Parish Email: cpdma@btinternet.com
Parish Website: www.dmaparish.com

SVP Helpline: Tel: 07752017340
Safeguarding Officer: Mrs Bernadette Eastwood
Emergency Calls this week: Contact Father Chris McDermott - 07933492530
Age Concern Tele 02870357966
Good morning, Causeway For elderly and vulnerable people. Tele 02870558005
Lifeline Crisis Response Helpline 0808 808 8000
North Coast Community Transport Tele 02870321234
Samaritans Tele 116123
St Vincent de Paul Tele 07752017340
Wave Trauma Centre for Mental Health and Wellbeing
Tele 028766990 Women's Aid Tele 02870356
Onus – Men & Women affected by domestic or sexual abuse in NI – 0808 802 1414 (Freephone 24hr)

Anniversaries

Elizabeth Clyde, Harry Creelman, Sarah Neill, Thomas Neill, Sean Neill, Sammy McFeely, Bridget Martin, Danny Otterson,

Parish Collections 31st Jan & 1st Feb 2026

	St Johns	Aghadowey	Dunboe
Weekly	£754.05	£219.00	£134.00
Loose	£346.74	£35.00	£21.00
Priests	£659.00	£245.00	£152.00
Total:	£2565.79		

Masses This Week

Church	St Johns	Dunboe	Aghadowey
Monday			
Tuesday			
Wednesday			
Thursday			
Friday			
Saturday	6pm	7.30pm	
Sunday	11am		9.45am

Dunboe Reader/ Offertory Rota

Saturday 14th February – Ann / offertory – Seamus & Linda
Saturday 21st February – Brenda / Offertory – Alice & Family
Saturday 28th February – Philomena / Offertory – Martin & Martina

Dunboe Eucharistic Minister Rota

Saturday 21st Feb – Vincent
Saturday 28th February – Linda
Saturday 7th March - Karen

Dunboe Cleaning & Flowers Rota

January –Philomena

St Johns Eucharistic Minister

Saturday 14th February – Patricia Mullan

Sunday 15th February – Liam McLaughlin

St Johns Minister of the Word February

Vigil: Diana
Sunday Mass: Sean

Aghadowey Offertory

Sunday 8th February – Patricia & Therese McAfee

Sunday 15th February – McAleese Family

Sunday 22nd February – Eilish McCartney & Kathleen Campbell

Aghadowey Volunteers

We would like to appeal for volunteers to assist with the Offertory procession in Aghadowey at Sunday Mass – If interested, please leave your name with Father Farren or contact the Parish office.

Sycamore training

There will be no sycamore training this coming week, the next meeting will take place on **Monday 16th February at 7pm in Chapelfield.**

Derry Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2026

For availability, please ring 02871 260293 and leave a message or email; derrypilgrim@outlook.com
Or alternatively contact JWT Dublin on +353 1 685 2244

Parish Draw

With just one week to go until our first draws of the year, we are appealing to you to participate in the Parish Draw.

At the minute we are well over 50 members short and with a small push we can still do it!

Costing only £5 a month (£60 annually) which can be paid in a variety of ways, monthly, 3 equal instalments or whatever way suits. With £1000 of prizes paid out each month it's not a bad return for a fiver!

May we also say a big thank you to each one of you who have joined but especially to our promoters who work so hard and give freely of their time.

It's not too late to join and help us to keep our three churches running smoothly. Wishing you all a happy and healthy 2026 and thank you for all your support.

Fr Farren PP.

Scripture reading Study

Would you like to enrich your love and understanding of the Sunday Scripture Readings?

Join us as we study and pray the Sunday Readings to prepare for Sunday Mass.



Every Wednesday West Bann 8pm.
All welcome to attend.

*'Lord, we ask that the words of scripture
May not be just signs on a page
But channels of grace into my heart'. (Origin.184-254)*

Preparation for Marriage & Married Couples Courses 2026

Grásta is a voluntary group of Married Couples based in Ireland, who for over 25 years have been facilitating Pre-Marriage Courses for couples getting married in the Catholic Church.

We work in partnership with other lay people, clergy and the team at the beautiful [De La Salle Pastoral Centre](#) in Co. Laois to offer enriching residential courses in a peaceful and welcoming environment.

Our **Grásta** Courses consist of a residential weekend course, away from the hustle and bustle of everyday life, for couples to focus on their relationship and what is important for them as a couple planning their married life together.

Preparing for Marriage? Weekend residential courses available. 6-8 March 2026 and 13-15 November 2026.

Details: www.grasta.org or at info@grasta.org and

Married Couples course? Weekend residential courses available. 7-8 March 2026 and 14-15 November 2026.

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Thought for the day

'Salt for others, light for others'

Because salt does not give flavour to itself but serves others.

Light does not illuminate itself but serves others.

Supermarkets sell salt in small quantities, not by the ton. And salt does not promote itself because it doesn't serve itself. It exists to serve others, by conserving things and giving flavour.

This is simple witness. Daily Christian witness means being light for others, 'to help them in their darkest hour'. 'The Lord says: 'You are salt; you are light. 'But do so in order that others see and glorify God. You will not even receive any merit. When we eat, we don't compliment the salt, no, we say the pasta is good, the meat is good. When we go to sleep at night, we don't say the light is good, we ignore the light, but we live illuminated by light. This impels Christians to be anonymous witnesses. Do not act like the Pharisee who thanks the Lord for his holiness. We are not the authors of our own merits. Everyday holiness means being salt and light for others.

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Parish Council Elections for three-year Term beginning 2026

To nominate or be nominated, you must be over 16. You may be nominated any number of times as long as each nomination is by a different person.

I NOMINATE _____

ADDRESS _____

As a candidate for election for the parish of Dunboe, Macosquin & Aghadowey Pastoral Council

SIGNED _____

Nomination forms are to be returned in the offertory basket or the Parish office no later than Sunday 22nd February.