

ST PATRICK'S AND ST BRIGID'S GLENARIFFE



FEAST OF THE MOST HOLY BODY & BLOOD OF CHRIST



“You are a priest forever, a priest like Melchizedek of old”

22nd June 2025

A NOVENA TO THE SACRED HEART is taking place throughout the Diocese of Down and Connor from Thursday 19th June until 27th June. Novena leaflets are available or can be downloaded from the parish website.

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION OF IRELAND TO THE SACRED HEART on the website.

WEEKDAY MASS: Monday to Thursday 10am in honour of the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

SOLEMN FEAST OF THE SACRED HEART Friday 7.30pm

WEEKEND MASSES: Saturday Vigil 7pm, Sunday 10am

THANK YOU to everyone who contributed to Sunday's collections

LOURDES HOSPITALITE FUND amounted to £720.00. Sincere thanks from the Diocesan Committee to all who contributed.

DECEASED: Dan McCollam, Layde Rd.

ANNIVERSARIES: Patricia Marley, Moira O'Neill, PJ Black, Isobel Sheppard, Robert McMullan, Sarah Leech

PRAYER FOR PRIESTS

Gracious and loving God, we thank you for the gift of our priests. Through them, we experience your presence in the sacraments. Help our priests to be strong in their vocation. Set them on fire with love for your people. Grant them the wisdom, understanding and strength they need to follow

in the steps of Jesus. Inspire them with the vision of your kingdom. Give them words they need to spread the gospel. Allow them to experience joy in their ministry. Help them to become instruments of your divine grace. WE ask this through Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns as our Eternal Priest. Amen.

4. Donal Neary S.J.

Gospel reflections

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Sacrifice and gift

Many people have memories of the Corpus Christ procession when the monstrance with the Blessed Sacrament was brought around the parish. All groups in the parish were represented. Children scattered petals before the host and houses were decorated. The meaning of the feast was to bring the Lord into the streets of his people and to appreciate the gift he gives us of himself in the Eucharist. This procession still takes part in many places.

On Holy Thursday we also celebrate the Eucharist, but in another way. It is more of the sacrifice of Jesus on Calvary. We unite ourselves with his offering that brought him to death, and look forward to the resurrection when the risen Lord would be present in many ways among people, including in the form and shape of bread and wine. On the feast of the Body and Blood of Christ, the emphasis is more on gift than on sacrifice.



The Eucharist as Gift[/caption]

This is what he wishes to leave us as a gift forever. It is the way he could give himself forever in a very close way, so that this is his gift of 'food for the journey'

We need this gift. We need to know certainly that God is close with us in life, and the Eucharist at Mass gives us this certainty. We need to know that God is really present in our lives, and we know this in the real presence of the Eucharist.

Lord in this Eucharist today

I welcome you into my life;

help me to live like you and love like you. Amen.