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3rd Sunday of Easter, 26th April 2020

Copies of the weekly parish bulletin are available in the churches. The bulletin is also available on the parish website.

Sunday 26th April: 10.30a.m. John & Mary & the deceased members of the McQuaid Family, Shanroe. Owen Howell, Bruscarnagh. Paddy & Susan Leonard, Lisgall.

Monday: 9.30a.m. Rosary 5pm
Tuesday: 9.30a.m. Rosary 5pm
Wednesday: 9.30a.m. Rosary 5pm
Thursday: 9.30a.m. Rosary 5pm
Friday: 7pm Frank & Margaret Traynor, Finn Park & Louis Traynor. The Mc Conville Family, Annashanco & Sarah & Maggie Beagan.

Sunday 3rd May: The Deceased Members of the Roslea Comhaltas, Áine Donegan, Tannaghboy. John Reihill, Ramoy.

Rosary: 5pm each evening from Monday – Thursday.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Friday 6pm – 6.50pm.

Recently Deceased: Aggie McDermott, Lisnaskea, wife of Tommy, sister in law of Benny & Sonny McDermott. Pat Tynan, Drumcaw, Newbliss, father of Rosemary Treanor, Magharney. Infant Isabelle McGinnity, daughter of Niamh & Stephen McGinnity and grand-daughter of John Frank & Lil, Dernahesco.

Masses for the coming week in St. Tierney's will be streamed from St. Tierney's Church on www.churchservices.tv/roslea and on www.parishofroslea.com. Families may wish to arrange a new date post-Corona.

Last Sunday's (19th April) Stats for St. Tierney's Church Web Cam: UK: 365 Republic of Ireland: 161, USA: 12, Canada: 1. Altogether 1,805 tuned in last Sunday. At the week day Masses the average number tuning in is 360.

Funeral Regulations: Under the current restrictions in the Diocese of Clogher funeral Masses are postponed to a post-Corona time. Immediate family members should not exceed 10 persons. This relates to all funerals including those arising out of COVID – 19 deaths. Pray for the families having to grieve under these restrictions.

Parish income from March 15th to 19th April 2020 amounted to £2,039.68 & €3,002.41. Contributions were made by parish envelopes and cheques. Also included are receipts from on-line transfers and the donate facility on the diocesan website (to 31.03.2020). Trocaire envelopes amounted to £197.52 & €879.20 which will be forwarded to Trócaire. €300 was also received payable direct to Trocaire. Standing order receipts for January to March 2020: £320.00 & €330.96.

Thanks those who have set up Standing Orders or adjusted how they make their donations in these difficult times.

Parish Offering: A standing order form can be downloaded from the donate page of the parish website. Forms are also available in the churches. Sterling cheques can be made payable to Roslea Parish Church and Euro cheques to Roslea Parish. It is also possible to donate to the Parish of Roslea on www.clogherdiocese.ie via the donate icon on the bottom left of the screen. Thanks to everyone who made their donation.

Accord Couples & Relationship Support Line: Accord has set up a Support Line where callers can talk to experienced couples and relationship counsellors during this time of COVID-19. The numbers are RoI 01 -531 3331 & 01 905 9555 & NI 028 95680151

COVID-19 Support Line for Older People

ALONE has launched a national support line and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to the outbreak of COVID-19 (Coronavirus). Professional staff is available to answer queries and give advice and reassurance where necessary. The support line is open seven days a week, 8am - 8pm, by calling 0818 222 024.

COVID-19 Community Helpline

A freephone helpline to help those in vulnerable groups to access information, advice and guidance in relation to COVID-19 is open 9.00 am to 5.00pm, seven days a week.

The helpline is local to Northern Ireland, and is managed by Advice NI. freephone number:

0808 802 0020. You can also get in touch by

email and text message:

email: covid19@adviceni.net

text: **ACTION** to **81025**

An Act of Spiritual Communion: *My Jesus, I believe you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love you above all things, and desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if You were already there and unite myself totally to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.*

Letter from the Catholic Bishops of Northern Ireland to MLAs regarding new regulations on abortion (Wed 22nd April 2020):

As the Catholic Bishops of Northern Ireland, we have a responsibility to do all we can to promote a culture of care and respect for life in our society. This includes a responsibility to inform the conscience of all members of the Catholic Church and people of good will regarding the fundamental moral values at stake in the issue of abortion.

Our opposition to the new abortion Regulations brought into effect here by the Westminster Parliament is rooted in the Catholic Church's teaching concerning the dignity of every human life, regardless of age, ability, gender or background. This teaching prohibits the direct and deliberate intention to end the life of an unborn baby at any stage of his or her development. This right to life of the child is inextricably linked to the right to life and well-being of the mother.

At the same time, we recognise that the legislation passed into law by the Westminster Parliament stands now to be implemented. While we regard this to be an unjust law, which was imposed without the consent of the people of Northern Ireland, we are morally obliged, wherever possible, to do all we can to save the lives of unborn children, which could be lost through abortion, and to protect mothers from the pressures they might experience at the time of an unplanned pregnancy. We

trust that you recognise this to be an obligation we all share as concerned citizens and public representatives.

In our recent press statement (Tuesday 31 March 2020), regarding the new Regulations concerning abortion services, we indicated that we would be contacting MLAs with regard to the issues we have highlighted. We believe, 'Politicians and all people of good will, who recognise the extreme nature of the Regulations, should not meekly acquiesce to their promulgation.' (Press Release Tuesday 31 March 2020).

In particular, we take this opportunity to encourage you to debate these Regulations as a matter of urgency. Insofar as they exceed the requirements of the Northern Ireland Act 2019, we urge you to take steps to formulate new Regulations that will reflect more fully the will of a significant majority of the people in this jurisdiction to protect the lives of mothers and their unborn children. Indeed, as the NIO has noted, this commitment to protect life was expressed by 79% of people, who responded to the consultation exercise conducted by the UK Government last December.

As the Catholic Bishops of Northern Ireland we are eager to enter into dialogue with MLAs from across the political parties in an attempt to explore, where possible, how new Regulations can be formulated, which express the will of most people in our society to support and protect the lives of mothers and their unborn children. As a first step, we have included with this letter our recent submission to the Westminster Scrutiny Committee dealing with the relevant legislation, for your consideration.

We are very conscious that you and all MLAs are under great pressure at this time, due to the Covid-19 pandemic and the many issues you are called upon to address every day. However, we trust that within the Assembly, time can be made to undertake the initial debate that is so urgently needed regarding these extreme Regulations.

We look forward to hearing from you about these issues in due course.

Wishing you every blessing and strength in your important work,

Yours sincerely, Catholic Bishops of Northern Ireland.