## PARISH OF POBAL

The Third Sunday of Easter 1st May 2022

Website: pobalparish.com and Webcam - www.churchservices.tv/Tempo.

**Priest:** Fr. John Halton, Parochial House, Tempo. Tel. 895 41344.

Sunday Masses: Tempo: 11.00am, Cradien 9.30am.

**Weekday Masses: Tempo:** Tuesday 10.00am, Friday 7.00pm **Cradien:** Thursday 9.30am **Eucharistic Ministers: Tempo:** Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> May — Eugene McGrade & Ann Marie Kelly.

**Cradien:** Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> May – Noel Cox.

Anniversaries: Tempo: Friday 6/05 (7.00pm) Andy Farry, Bigh

Jim McCusker, Imeroo

**Baptisms:** We welcome into the Community of Faith - Roise Agnes and Eile Mary Keenan, 14 Tullyreagh Road, Tempo who were baptised in the Church of the Immaculate Conception, Tempo on Sunday 24th April 2022. May their home be filled with love, prayer, joy, and happiness!

<u>Lough Derg:</u> The three day pilgrimage begins on the 1st June to 15th August 2022. Booking is advised. The one day retreats and Guided Pilgrim Path are to be found on the Notice Board at the back of the Church.

<u>Confirmation</u> in Tempo on Sunday 15th May at 3.00pm. This year Confirmation will be administered by Bishop Larry Duffy. We have <u>First Holy Communion</u> for the Children in <u>St Patricks</u> on Saturday 7th May at 11.00am, and for the Children in <u>St Marys</u> on Saturday 21st May at 11.00am. All will take place in the Church of the Immaculate Conception. It is important that prayers for these Sacraments are prayed at home with the children each day.

"Why do Catholics Light Candles? In most every part of Catholic celebrations and rituals, lighting of candles play a very significant role. Candles are lighted during the celebration of Mass, on liturgical and funeral processions, and evening prayer ceremonies. Candles are lit before the Tabernacle to signify the Lords presence in the Blessed Sacrament, and to call for reverence on the part of the faithful. Also candles or oil lamps were burned at the tomb of the saints particularly martyrs by 200s and before sacred images and relics before the 300s. In our catholic tradition light has a special significance - Christ. Jesus said I am the Light of the world. No follower of mine shall ever walk in darkness no; he shall possess the light of life. John 18: 12. In our liturgy for the sacrament of Baptism, the Priest presents a candle, lit from the Paschal Candle, which in turn symbolises the Paschal Mystery - (the suffering death and resurrection of Jesus), and says to the newly baptised: "You have been enlightened by Christ. Walk always as children of the Light, and keep the flame of faith alive in your hearts".

With this background we can appreciate the usage of votive candles. Here as in early Christian times we light a candle before a statue or sacred image of our lord or of a saint. Of course we do not honour the statue or image of Our Lord, but whom that statue or image represents. The light signifies our Prayer offered in faith coming into the Light of God, allowing us to be filled with his light. In our churches at this time the Paschal Candle stands out".-- (INTERCOM)

<u>St Mary's Silver Band:</u> are holding a Table Quiz in the Nally Stand on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> May at 8.30pm. Admission is £5.00 per person. Come along and join in the fun.

**St Vincent de Paul:** Collection will be taken up at Masses this weekend.

Sunday Collections: 24/4/2022 – Weekly - £2,176.00; Development Fund £795.00

We ask that you please continue to wear a face covering in the Church buildings. Thank you for your continued co-operation.