

PARISH OF POBAL

Second Sunday of Lent

16th March, 2025

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 – Sunday 30/3/2025

Weekday Masses: **Tempo:** Monday 11.00am, Friday 7.00pm.

Eucharistic Ministers: **Tempo:** Sunday 23rd March – Jean McCusker & Eugene McGrade.

Confessions: in St Michael's Church, Enniskillen each Saturday 11am – 12 noon and 5pm – 5.45pm.

Anniversaries: **Tempo:** **Monday 17/03 (11.00am)** Tony McMulkin, Largy

Friday 21/03 (7.00pm) Reggie Slevin, Edenmore Crescent

Mary & Rose Breen, Glenview Park.

St Patrick's Day – Monday 17th March: Mass in Tempo at 11.00am.

Stations of the Cross: each Monday evening at 7.00pm in the Church of the Immaculate Conception, Tempo.

Rosary: will be recited on Wednesday evening at 7.00pm in the Church of the Immaculate Conception, Tempo.

We invite parishioners to come along on both these nights during Lent.

Reflection: Lent begins with two key moments in the story of the life of Jesus. We are invited to consider our own life journey in the light of those moments.

Last Sunday, through the story of the temptations in the desert, we saw how life brings us temptations that pull us away from being true to ourselves. This Sunday, through the story of the transfiguration of Jesus, we reflect on two consequences of being true to ourselves.

The first consequence will be sacrifice and suffering. No one ever did anything worthwhile free of cost. Every worthwhile work of art or literature or music, every significant discovery in the world of science and technology, every milestone in medicine: they all cost something to the people who brought something wonderful to the world through being true to themselves. The second consequence is that being true to ourselves leads to glory. When the astronauts came back from the moon, they received a ticker-tape parade.

When we listen to an uplifting piece of music, or read a moving book or watch an affecting film: there is within us a deep response of admiration for those who produced them and gave us the gift of such wonderful moments in our lives. There is glory in worthy achievements.

The story of Jesus in his transfiguration shows us the glory that comes from being faithful to what we know to be right. That same glory also carries over into the wondrous life of heaven and eternity. In Jesus, suffering and glory went together. Glory emerged out of suffering.

The same will be true in our own lives if we seek to live life in line with our truest selves and in line with God's way.

Alternating Sunday Mass Arrangements between Cradien and Lisbellaw: For the time being, during the school year, there will be 9.30am Mass in Cradien on the first and last Sundays of the month only, the middle Sundays of the month will be in Lisbellaw.

Sunday Collections: 9/03/25 – Weekly £935.00; Vocations £230.00.

Diocese of Clogher Lourdes Pilgrimage 4th – 9th July, 2025. Total Price €1050.00 or Sterling Equivalent excluding travel insurance. Price includes flights, full board accommodation/meals, Transfer from designated places throughout the Diocese to/from Belfast International Airport. To book Pilgrim Places; Contact John Hueston, Lisnaskea. Tel: 028 677 24329.

St. Mary's Silver Band: will be playing after 11.00am Mass on St. Patrick's Day. They will be holding their Annual collection and appreciate your generosity. They will travel to Enniskillen to take part in their celebrations at Enniskillen Castle.

Baptism: We welcome into the Community of Faith: Eddie Liam Meehan, 14 Meenagar Road, Fintona who was baptised in the Church of the Immaculate Conception, Tempo on Saturday 8th March 2025. May his home be filled with love, happiness, prayer and joy!

First Confessions: For children of St Mary's P.S. and St Patrick's P.S. will take place in the Church of the Immaculate Conception, Tempo on Thursday 27th March at 6.00pm.

Eucharistic Adoration: Calling All Adorers of the Blessed Sacrament in Clogher Diocese. National Eucharistic Adoration Pilgrimage to Knock on Sunday 6th April. Call Glen on 086 8275437 to enquire or book a seat. Full bus details on EucharisticAdoration.ie

Date for the Diary: Blessing of Graves Sunday 27th July 2025 at 12 noon.