

Dungiven Parish Bulletin

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SAFEGUARDING OUR CHILDREN – If you have concerns about the welfare and safety of children in our parish, please contact one of our Parish Representatives: Mrs. Siobhan McCartney, Mrs. Winnie McNicholl, Mrs Margo O'Kane or Mrs Mary O'Kane.

BAPTISM TIMES - St. Patrick's Church: Saturday at 4.45 pm. or Sunday at 12.15 pm. Drumsurn and Gortnaghey: by arrangement.

The Solemnity of The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, on Thursday 8th Dec. It is a Holy day of Obligation.

MONTH MIND MASS.

For Michael McElhinney on Wednesday 7th Dec. at 7.30 pm Vigil Mass in St. Patrick's.

FIRST ANNIVERSARY MASS.

For John Mullan (Station Rd.) on Sat. 10th Dec. at 6.00 pm Vigil Mass in St. Patrick's.

PARISH MASS TIMES THIS COMING WEEK.

St. Patrick's. Mon. & Tues. 10.00 am. Wed. 10.00 am. & **Vigil 7.30 pm.**

Thurs. 10.00 am. Fri. 10.00 am. Sat. 10.00 am. Vigil 6.00 pm. Sun. 9.00 & 11.30 am.

St. Matthew's. Mon. & Tues. 10.00 am. Wed. 10.00 am. & **Vigil 7.30 pm.**

Thurs. 10.00 am. Fri. 10.00 am. Sat. 10.00 am. Vigil 6.00 pm. Sun. 11.00 am.

Imm. Concept. Mon. & Wed. 9.15 am. Thurs. **10.15 am.** Fri. 7.15 pm.

Sat. Vigil 7.15 pm. Sun. 10.15 am.

CONFESSIONS - **St. Patrick's.** Sat. 10.30 – 11.30 am. & 5.15 – 5.50 pm. **St. Matthew's.** Sat. after 10.00 am. Mass & 5.30 pm. **Immaculate Conception.** Sat. 6.50 pm.

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION: £2,706.

(St. Patrick's £1,814. Drumsurn £431. Imm. Concept. £461.)

PARISH BINGO - EVERY TUESDAY – ST. CANICE'S HALL @ 8.30 PM. SHARP.

THE BLESSED SACRAMENT CHAPEL - will be open (today) Sun. 4th Dec., from 3.00 – 6.00 pm. for prayer in honour of Our Lady.

ST. JOSEPH'S YOUNG PRIESTS SOCIETY – Will meet in the Conference Room on Monday 5th Dec. after the 10.00 am. Mass.

PRO-LIFE - Monthly Private Prayer on Tuesday 6th Dec. from 8.00 – 9.00 pm.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY - CONFIRMATION: - Sat. 21st April 2012, at 11.00 am.

FIRST COMMUNION: **St. Mary's Gortnaghey** – 5th May 2012.

St. Canice's - 12th May 2012. **St. John's** - 19th May 2012.

BLOOD TRANSFUSION - Donating sessions will be held from 2.00 - 4.00 pm. and 5.15 - 8.00 pm. on Monday 5th Dec. in St. Canice's G.A.C. Hall.

ST. JOHN'S P. S. DERNAFLAW – Will hold an Open Night for prospective P1. Pupils starting school Sept. 2012, on Thurs. 8th Dec. from 6.30 – 7.30 pm.

DUNGIVEN PARISH - ST. VINCENT DE PAUL - HELPLINE – 079 279 299 23.

SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL WEEK - It is the time of year when we would like to thank our parishioners for their interest and support. Our **SPECIAL ANNUAL COLLECTION** will be taken up after all Masses on **Sat. 10th & Sun. 11th Dec.** and we would appeal for your continued support that weekend. A special '**Thank You**' to those who helped with our church gate collections each weekend in Drumsurn, Gortnaghey and Dungiven and all who helped in any other way. We are indebted to those who responded to our requests for items of furniture and to those who donated clothes and articles for sale and bags of clothes and shoes for recycling. Income for the year £48,554 included Church Gate Collections. Expenditure for the past year £56,432. Our '**Thrift Shop**' now relocated to 447 Ballyquin Road and now known as '**VINCENT'S**' depends on your support. Our new shop will open its doors on **Mon. 5th Dec. with a Coffee Morning**, and we are counting on your generosity, especially at a time when our resources are being stretched by requests for help due to the present economic climate. Please make '**VINCENT'S**' one of your shopping venues over the Christmas period, where you can browse for bargains and have a cuppa in our 'Coffee Shop'. Our parish '**Youth Conference**', made up of young people from various schools, universities and employment, have been working tirelessly with our Senior Conference, carrying out acts of charity in the parish with great enthusiasm. May we wish you a happy and holy Christmas. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will be offered for your intentions.

Your local St. Vincent De Paul Conference.

TERMONBACCA - Marian Devotions on Tues. 6th Dec. at 7.30 pm. An Advent Weekend Residential Retreat from Fri. 16th - Sun. 18th Dec. To book Tel: 71 262512.

ADVENT RETREAT MORNING - '*Allowing God To Come To Us*' - in the Thornhill Centre on Thurs. 8th Dec. from 10.30 am. – 1.30 pm. Cost: £5. Tel: 7135 1233.

BENEDY COMM. CENTRE - Christmas Party with Santa - Sun. 4th Dec. @ 3.00 pm.

GLENSHANE HOUSE - Dungiven Retirement Club will meet on Mon. 5th Dec. at 2.00 pm. A new local History Group is being formed. Meeting - Wed. 14th Dec. at 7.00 pm.

DUNGIVEN COMM. PLAYGROUP, MITCHEL PK. - Invites parents and children who are due to start pre-school on Sept. 2012 to an Open Night, Wed. 7th Dec., 7.00 – 8.00 pm.

FREE HEARING AID SESSIONS - Hands that Talk, Tues 6th Dec. 12 noon – 1.00 pm.

ST. CANICE'S A.B.C. – A.G.M. (today) Sun. 4th Dec. at 6.30 pm. in clubroom. Boxing for 7 – 10 year olds starting on Mon. 5th Dec. from 7.00 – 8.00 pm. Adm. £2.

ST. CANICE'S G.A.C. - Lotto No's: 9, 14, 22, 26. £20: Philomena McCaul, Ruth Stockman, Roisin Mullan, Liam Lyons and Michelle Devine. Jackpot £3,900.

KEVIN LYNCH HURLING CLUB – Presents a Christmas Film and Party on Sat. 10th Dec. from 1.00 – 4.00 pm. in St. Canice's G.A.A. club. Admission £5.

WHIST DRIVE – In St. Peter's Hall, Drumsurn (today) Sun. 4th Dec. at 8.00 pm.

GELVIN FARMERS GROUP - Meeting Tues. 6th Dec. at 8.00 pm. *sharp*, in the Pot Bar.

ROUNABOUT PLAYGROUP – Invite Parents and Children whose pre school year begins Sept. 2012, to attend our Open Day on Tues. 13th Dec. from 10.00 – 11.30 am.

GORTNAGHEY COMMUNITY CENTRE - Christmas tree lights switched on, Thurs. 8th Dec. at 7.00 pm. Seniors Christmas Dinner, Fri. 9th Dec. at 7.00 pm.

DRUM G.A.C. - Meeting in clubhouse today (Sun.) at 6.00 pm. A.G.M. on 6th Jan 2012.

LORETO COLLEGE - Carol Service on Wed. 14th Dec. at 7.30 pm.