

Dungiven Parish Bulletin

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CONFIRMATION DAY.



Bishop Francis Lagan will administer the Sacrament of Confirmation in Saint Patrick's Church on **Saturday 22nd March at 11.00 am.** Cars should not be parked within the church grounds on that occasion. The Candidates for Confirmation, their Parents and Sponsors should be seated in the church not later than **10.30 am.** The children should sit side by side, separately from the Sponsors, in the seats reserved for them. The Sponsors should also sit together in seats, which would correspond with the seats the children occupy, so that the Sponsors can come out of the seats in the same order as the children, and so come up together to the altar for Confirmation.

Sponsors: A sponsor should be not less than 16 years of age, be a Catholic who has been confirmed, and can be of either sex. The sponsor at the child's baptism would be the most suitable sponsor for Confirmation. **Calling of the Candidates:** After the Gospel the Parish Priest calls the candidates in these words: "As Parish Priest I ask the children of this parish to indicate their willingness to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation". Each candidate is called by name and stands. The Parish Priest then addresses the Bishop in these words: "I assure you, Bishop that these children have received the necessary instruction. I therefore present them to you to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation." The Bishop then addresses the children; they renew their baptismal vows, and come up to the altar to be confirmed. **Sponsor:** At the Confirmation ceremony each child is presented to the Bishop by a Sponsor, who places his/her right hand on the child's shoulder and tells the Bishop the child's **Confirmation Name.** The child answers '**Amen and Also with You.**' The placing of the right hand on the child's shoulder is a way of saying to the child: "I am with you in what is now happening. I present you to receive the Holy Spirit in this Sacrament. I want you to grow up as a true follower of Jesus. I am going to give you good example to grow in the love of God." The Sponsor accompanies the child to Holy Communion. The Bishop will meet the children, their parents and families in the School after the ceremony.

PARISH MASS TIMES THIS COMING WEEK.

	DUNGIVEN	DRUMSURN	GORTNAGHEY
Mon. 17th March	9.00, 10.15 & 11.30 am. Irish Mass 12.45 pm.	10.00 am.	10.15 am.
Tues. 18th March	10.00 am.	10.00 am.	7.15 pm.
Wed. 19th March	10.00 am.	10.00 am.	9.15 am.
Thurs. 20th March	10.00 am.	10.00 am.	9.15 am.
Fri. 21st March	6.30 & 10.00 am.	10.00 am.	7.15 pm.
Sat. 22nd March	9.00 am. & 6.00 pm.	10.00 am. & 6.00 pm.	9.15 am. & 7.15 pm.
Sun. 23rd March	9.00 & 11.30 am.	11.00 am.	10.15 am.

Check out the parish website for a virtual Tour of our parish churches.

ANNUAL COLLECTION FOR CLERICAL EDUCATION AND ONGOING FORMATION.

This collection will be taken up at all Masses on St. Patrick's Day.

THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON MON. 17TH MARCH.

BAPTISMS – Will take place in St. Patrick's Church on the following dates: **March:** (Note! No baptism on 22nd March), **Sat. 29th.** **April: Sun. 6th, Sat. 12th & Sat. 26th.** (Sun. at 12.15 pm. and **4.30 pm.** on a Saturday) Drumsurn and Gortnaghey: by arrangement.



We welcome into our Christian Community – Tomás Padráig Donaghy, O'Cathain's Pl. Maria Adrianna Da Costa, Gortnaghey Rd.

FIRST ANNIVERSARY MASS.

For Eithne McCloskey on Sat. 22nd March at 6.00 pm. in St. Patrick's Church.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS – On Friday 21st March at **6.50 pm.** in The Immaculate Conception Church, Gortnaghey & at **7.00 pm.** in St. Patrick's Church.

CONFESSIONS - **St. Patrick's.** Please note! No Confessions on Sat morning (22nd March). Sat. 5.15 - 5.50 pm. **St. Matthew's.** Sat. after 10.00 am. Mass & 5.30 pm. **Imm. Concept.** Sat. 6.50 pm.

LAST SUNDAY'S COLLECTION: £3,131.

(St. Patrick's £2,187. St. Matthew's £409. Imm. Concept. £535.)

FINANCIAL STATEMENT 2013 – *The Accountant has prepared a Financial Statement for the calendar year 2013 and finds everything is in order. A summary copy of our Finances is on the notice board of all the churches or if you would like a copy please call at the parish office.*

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

YOUTH 2000 – Invites all young adults between ages of 16 – 35 to a Catholic weekend Retreat from 4th – 6th April at St. Mary's School, Limavady. For more info see www.youth2000.ie or Tel: 0759 8876 399.

THORNHILL CENTRE - Vatican II – 'So where are we now?' 4-week course Thursdays in Lent. Tel: 71351233 to book. Thornhill Ministries is organising a trip to the Holy Land from 14th – 23rd Sept. 2014. Tel: 71351233.

TERMONBACCA – A Day Retreat for Senior Citizens, Fri. 21st March. Tel: 71 262512.

BENEDEY COMMUNITY CENTRE – Concert/Ceili on Sun. 16th March from 7.30 - 11.00 pm. Benbradagh Club on Wed. 19th March, music by Outbound Express (John O'Neill).

GORTNAGHEY COMM. CENTRE - Auld Tyme Dance - Fri. 21st March. Folk night on Easter Monday 21st April with Canadian group Ennis Sisters, tickets on sale from centre.

KEVIN LYNCH HURLING CLUB – *Lotto No's: 11, 18, 22 & 28.* Lucky Dip Winner: J. B. Farren. Jackpot £2,625.

ST. CANICE'S G.A.C. – *Lotto No's: 2, 5, 7 & 28.* £20: P. Gaile & Rhonda O'Kane, S. McGowan, A. Irwin, D. McGilligan, R. Tracey & Paddy McDermott. Jackpot £4,100.

CEILI - In Drummond, Fri. 21st March. Adm. £5. Proceeds to Cancer Research U.K.

GATE COLLECTION – For the Irish Language at all Masses on St. Patrick's Day.

A couple of aerial photographs of St. Patrick's Church (taken by a kite) are on view in Dungiven Sacristy. Orders are now being taken.

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