

## Dungiven Parish Bulletin

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**BAPTISMS** – Will take place in St. Patrick's Church on the following dates: **May: Sun. 4<sup>th</sup>, Sat. 10<sup>th</sup>, Sat. 17<sup>th</sup> & Sat. 24<sup>th</sup>.** (Sun. at 12.15 pm. and 4.30 pm. on a Saturday)  
*Drumsumn and Gortnaghey: by arrangement.*



We congratulate Roisin Ferris and Peter Mullan on the occasion of their marriage on the 21<sup>st</sup> April. We congratulate Margaret McElhinney and Sean McMahon on the occasion of their marriage on the 24<sup>th</sup> April.

† **DEATHS** – We extend our sympathy to the McGurk family circle on the death of Patricia McGurk. We extend our sympathy to the Tracey family circle on the death of Vincent Tracey. May they rest in peace.

### PARISH MASS TIMES THIS COMING WEEK.

	DUNGIVEN	DRUMSURN	GORTNAGHEY
<b>Mon. 28<sup>th</sup> April</b>	10.00 am.	10.00 am.	9.15 am.
<b>Tues. 29<sup>th</sup> April</b>	10.00 am.	10.00 am.	
<b>Wed. 30<sup>th</sup> April</b>	10.00 am.	10.00 am.	9.15 am.
<b>Thurs. 1<sup>st</sup> May</b>	10.00 am.	10.00 am.	
<b>Fri. 2<sup>nd</sup> May</b>	10.00 am.	10.00 am.	7.15 pm.
<b>Sat. 3<sup>rd</sup> May</b>	10.00 am. & 6.00 pm.	10.00 am. & 6.00 pm.	7.15 pm.
<b>Sun. 4<sup>th</sup> May</b>	9.00 & 11.30 am.	11.00 am.	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. **Imm. Concept.** Sat. 6.50 pm.

**FRIDAY OF THIS WEEK IS THE FIRST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH.**

*(Confessions on THURSDAY 1<sup>st</sup> May from 6.30 – 7.00 pm. \*Note change of day)*

**LAST SUNDAY'S COLLECTION: £3,488.**

(St. Patrick's £2,261. St. Matthew's £479. Imm. Concept. £748.)

**ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH** - *Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist for May:* **6.00 pm.** – Theresa Donaghy, Danny O'Kane & Ann O'Kane. **9.00 am.** – Mary Grieve & Colette McCloskey. **11.30 am.** – Joe McVey, Keith Kelly & Marie Mullin.

**ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH** - *Readers for May:* **6.00 pm.** – Jeremy Granleese. **9.00 am.** – Conor Lavery. **11.30 am.** – Cora O'Kane.

**ALTAR SOCIETY FOR MAY** - *St. Patrick's.* - Anne McCloskey. **Imm. Concept.** – Patricia Hegarty & Siobhan McCartney. (Flowers – Veronica McCool).

**COLLECTORS FOR MAY** – *St. Patrick's:* **6.00 pm.** – Finbar Gillen, Brian McGilligan, Seamus Doran & Shauna Kelly. **9.00 am.** – Seamus Mullin, Gerard Gallagher, Dan O'Kane & Danny O'Kane. **11.30 am.** – Martin Mullan, William McCloskey, Joe McVey & Liam Myles. *St. Matthew's:* Seamus Doherty, Joe Irwin & Pax O'Connor.

## Renewal of the Pastoral Council in our Parish for September 2014

The three-year term of office for our Pastoral Council has ended. Due largely to my own absences through illness the Council did not get meeting as often as I would have wished.

However, the advice, help and support that different individual members gave me through that time has been very valuable to me as Parish Priest. I thank the members for that contribution to Parish Life and I express my gratitude now to all Council members for their willingness to serve our Parish Community.

Our Parish Pastoral Council is a structure meant to facilitate the involvement of the whole parish community in the pastoral life of the church. Council members share in a special way the responsibility for the church's mission. That mission is to help all in our parish, young and old, to become more truly people living by the Spirit of Christ.

Already, as you know, many smaller groups of people in our parish devote time and energy to nurturing different elements of the mission.

And so this time, instead of holding elections, I propose to constitute a new Parish Pastoral Council by asking these groups to elect or appoint one member from each to serve on a Council.

The groups that we have in mind are: the Baptism Catechesis Team, St. Joseph's Young Priest's Society, the St. Vincent de Paul Society, the Parish Liturgy Group, the Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist, the Ministers of the Word (Readers), the Legion of Mary, Prayer and Adoration Groups, the Choirs and all involved in Music Ministry, the Youth Ministry (incorporating John Paul II award management), the Parish Finance Council, the Pioneer Association, the Volunteers who clean, arrange flowers in our churches, and those who maintain and keep our parish grounds neat and tidy.

Additional members will be co-opted to represent the cares of our three parish churches.

Fr. Gerard, Fr. Michael Mullan, and I will speak with the different groups about this matter and, shortly, we will report to you the names of the members of the next Pastoral Council. *Fr. Aidan Mullan*

**BLESSED SACRAMENT CHAPEL** - Will be open next Sun. 4<sup>th</sup> May. from 3.00 – 6.00 pm. with prayers in honour of Our Lady.

**THORNHILL** - *“Sadness somehow I expect. Kindness and love take me by surprise.”* Seamus Heaney. Four poetry sessions exploring the profound human experience begin on Thurs. 8<sup>th</sup> May at 7.30 pm in Thornhill College. To book Tel: 7135 1233.

**PORTGLENONE PRAYER GROUP** - Life in the spirit seminars. A series of six talks, presented on DVD, to help you open your heart even more to the Life-changing work of the Holy Spirit, starting Tues 6<sup>th</sup> May at 7.00 pm.

**S. M. A.** – Annual Pilgrimage to Knock on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> May. For booking contact Tel: Theresa Donaghy, 165 Sawel Place, Tel: 777 42090.

**MAKE YOUR VOTE COUNT FOR UNBORN CHILDREN** - There will be a public meeting in The Tower Hotel, Butcher St., Derry, on Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> April @7.30 pm.

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

**KEVIN LYNCH HURLING CLUB** – *Lotto No's:* 7, 13, 22 & 26. Lucky Dip Winner: Eamon Brown. Jackpot £2,775.

**ST. CANICE'S G.A.C.** – *Lotto No's:* 5, 10, 16 & 20. 10 x £20 winners. Jackpot £4,700.

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