

Dungiven Parish Bulletin

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There will be a **Service of Intercession** for the dead today, Sunday 31st May, in **St. Patrick's**. People should *assemble at their graves before 6.00 pm*. **Please do not bring your car into the church grounds** except for Invalids and the Handicapped. *Please bring a small bottle of holy water with you, and when the Rosary is being recited, please sprinkle your family grave and also any grave near by if no family member is present.*

Blessing of graves will take place in St. Matthew's (today) after 10.15 am. Mass.



We welcome into our Christian Community – Emma Maria Kaminska, The Arches, Daniel Gerard Grieve, O'Cathain's Pl., Lily-Mae Michelle Dunne-Millar, O'Cathain's Pl. and Olivia Grace Murphy, Drumrane Road.



We congratulate Ciara O'Donnell and Jarlath Quinn on the occasion of their marriage on the 22nd May. Congratulations to Ashley McAleese and Caolan O'Kane on the occasion of their marriage on 23rd May.

DERRY DIOCESAN SOCIETY - The 9.00 am. Mass on Sunday 7th June will be celebrated for all deceased members of the society.

FR. AIDAN'S HOME VISITS - The Sick and those confined to their homes will be visited as follows: **Mon. 1st June from 10.30 am.** - Altmover Rd., Gortnaghey, Pollysbrae Rd., Foreglen Rd., Dernaflaw Ho./Rd., Pellipar Pk., Lackagh Pk., Ard-na-Smol & Rannylas. **Tues. 2nd June from 10.30 am.** - Main St., Holmlea Pk., Station Rd./Ave., Cherry Grove, Legavallon Rd., Mountain View Pk. Garvagh Rd. & Ard-na-Grann.

FR. GERARD'S HOME VISITS - The Sick and those confined to their homes will be visited as follows: **Thur. 4th June from 10.30 am.** - Crebarkey Rd., Glenshane Rd., Magherabuoy, Glenroe Park, Finvola Park and O'Cathain's Place. **Fri. 5th June from 10.30 am.** - Mitchel Pk./Crescent, Priory Rd. and Curragh Road.

FR. AIDAN'S HOME VISITS IN DRUMSURN – on Fri. 5th June beginning at 3.30 pm.

PARISH MASS TIMES THIS COMING WEEK:

	DUNGIVEN	DRUMSURN	GORTNAGHEY
Mon. 1st June	10.00 am.		9.15 am.
Tues. 2nd June	10.00 am.	9.15 am.	
Wed. 3rd June	10.00 am.		9.15 am.
Thur. 4th June	10.00 am.	9.15 am.	
Fri. 5th June	10.00 am.	6.30 pm.	7.15 pm.
Sat. 6th June	10.00 am.		
Vigil Mass 6th June	6.00 pm.		7.15 pm.
Sun. 7th June	9.00 am. & 11.30 am.	10.15 am.	

LAST SUNDAY COLLECTION: £2,585.

(St. Patrick's £1,858. St. Matthew's £420. Imm. Concept. £307.)

CONFESSIONS THIS COMING WEEK - Friday is the first Friday of the month.

	DUNGIVEN	DRUMSURN	GORTNAGHEY
Wed. 3rd June	6.30 – 7.00 pm.		
Fri. 5th June		6.00 – 6.30 pm.	
Sat. 6th June	10.30 – 11.30 am. & 5.15 – 5.50 pm.		6.50 pm.
Sun. 7th June		9.45 am.	



FIRST COMMUNION DAY - The children of **St. Matthew's P.S.** will receive their First Communion on Sat. 6th June at **11.00 am.** in St. Matthew's Church.

ST. CANICE'S HALL - Over the last several years St. Canice's Hall has been running at a loss and costing the parish considerable expense. In earlier years Bingo made a profit which helped to reduce the cost but in the past two years, with falling numbers attending, the Bingo itself was running at a loss and had to be supported from parish funds. At the end of 2014 our Bingo, with competition elsewhere in the town, closed.

Mr John McElhinney who manages the Hall for the parish gives generously of his time to supervise functions; he does this voluntarily and does not get paid a wage. It is very doubtful and unlikely that when John retires that there will be anyone who will be willing to take on his duties on the same basis.

Over the past period, the Parish Finance Committee has been monitoring the performances from St. Canice's Hall and the deficit has been a concern to them. Our hope always had been to cater for the requirements of all Hall users and while we did not want a profit neither did we want a continuing substantial loss. Our wish always was to provide for the activities of the various groups who use the Hall. St. Canice's Hall is an old building and would require a substantial amount of money to be spent on it to modernise it and bring it up to required standard i.e. disabled toilet facilities, upgrade kitchen, heating, lighting, insulation etc. Nowadays it is very difficult to get people who are willing to give of their time voluntarily to organise and run functions or events. Legislation has now also changed with supervision for groups of children.

Recently the Irish Cultural Organisation, Glór, have been seeking premises for a Culturelann, a Centre where music, drama and allied Irish cultural events could be presented in Dungiven. The Organisation felt that St. Canice's Hall was a suitable venue for their requirements and approached me wanting to know if we would be willing to sell the Hall. In discussions, when they agreed to continue to accommodate all existing users of the Hall if they managed it, it was felt proper by the Parish Finance Committee and the Diocesan Authorities to consider selling St. Canice's. The added advantage under their administration would be that many cultural events would be available to the Dungiven community. In the light of these reflections it was decided to transfer the ownership of St. Canice's to Glór Dungiven. We are in the process of achieving this transfer.

Aidan Mullan.

SOLEMNITY OF CORPUS CHRISTI – (Body and Blood of Christ) is celebrated on Sun. 7th June (next Sunday). In honour of this feast, there will be a Corpus Christi procession with the Blessed Sacrament after 11.30 am. Mass in St. Patrick's church, to the Oratory. All children of the parish who have recently made their First Holy Communion are warmly invited to come with their families to this Mass and walk in procession wearing their First Holy Communion clothes. After the procession to the Oratory, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will continue for **one hour**, concluding with Benediction. All welcome.

BLESSED SACRAMENT CHAPEL – Will be open Sun. 7th June from 3.00 – 6.00 pm.

ST. JOSEPH'S YOUNG PRIESTS SOCIETY – Will meet on Mon. 1st June after Mass.