

Dungiven Parish Bulletin

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I have decided to announce an Extraordinary Jubilee which has at its center the mercy of God. It will be a Holy Year of Mercy. We want to live in the light of the word of the Lord: "Be merciful, even as your Father is merciful" (cf. Lk 6:36). And this especially applies to confessors! So much mercy!

This Holy Year will commence on the next Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception and will conclude on Sunday, 20th November 2016, the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe and living face of the Father's mercy', Pope Francis.

The Year of Mercy is an invitation—an invitation to love, kindness, and unbounded generosity. Pope Francis is offering you the opportunity to encounter the incredible mercy of God.

Encountering mercy means encountering God. It can transform your life, your relationships, your work, and your ability to embrace and experience all of life.

As a parish, we will launch the year of mercy with all-day adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in St. Patrick's Church on 8th Dec., the Feast of the Immaculate Conception. Adoration will begin after the 11.30 am. Mass, during which the sacrament of reconciliation will be available until 2.30 pm. and then resuming from 6.00 – 8.00 pm. followed by a Holy Hour 8.00 – 9.00 pm. on the theme of Mercy to conclude Adoration.

Please Note! Blessed Sacrament Chapel will be closed from 12 noon on Tuesday.

ADVENT PROGRAMME – ST. PATRICK'S
Sun. 6th at 5.00 pm. – **Eucharistic Healing Service.** Sun. 13th at 5.00 pm. – **Carol Service.** Sun. 20th at 5.00 pm. – **Sacrament of the Anointing.**

SUNDAY MASS TIMES

St. Patrick's Church: Sat. Vigil 6.00 pm. Sun. 9.00 am. & 11.30 am.

St. Matthew's Church: Sun 10.15 am.

Church of the Immaculate Conception: Sat. Vigil 7.15 pm.

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

St. Patrick's Church: Mon. 10.00 am. **Tues. 6.30 am. 10.00 am. & 11.30 am.** Wed. - Sat. 10.00 am.

St. Matthew's Church: Mon. Vigil 8.15 pm. Thur. 9.15 am.

Church of the Immaculate Conception: Mon. Vigil 7.00 pm. Wed. & Fri. 9.15 am.

CONFESSIONS

St. Patrick's Church: Sat. 10.30 - 11.30 am. & 5.15 - 5.50 pm.

St. Matthew's Church: Sun. 9.45 am.

Church of the Immaculate Conception: Sat. 6.50 pm.

MONTH MIND MASS

For Bernadette Mullin on Thur. 10th Dec. at 7.30 pm. in St. Patrick's Church.

YEAR OF MERCY - Candle and Prayer Card available in all the church porches. Price 50p.

BAPTISMS

Will take place in St. Patrick's Church on the following dates: **DEC. – Sat. 12th, & Sat. 19th.** (Sun. at 12.15 pm. and 4.30 pm. on a Saturday). Drumsurn and Gortnaghey: by arrangement. **Please note! Two weeks notice must be given for all Baptism Bookings.**



We welcome into our Christian Community – Aislinn Rose Glasgow, Ardcairn.

ST. JOSEPH'S YOUNG PRIESTS SOCIETY

Will meet on Mon. 7th Dec. in the Conference Room after the 10.00 am. Mass.

FR. GERARD'S HOME VISITS - The Sick and those confined to their homes will be visited as follows: **Mon. 7th Dec. from 10.30 am.** - Altmover Rd., Gortnaghey, Pollysbrae Rd., Foreglen Rd., Dernaflaw Rd., Pellipar Pk., Ballyquin Rd., Ard-na-Smol & Rannylas. **Fri. 11th Dec. from 10.30 am.** - Main St., Holmlea Pk., Station Rd./Ave., Cherry Grove, Legavallon Rd., Mountain View Pk. & Ard-na-Grann.

Bradagh Fold – Wed. 9th Dec. at 10.00 am.

BLESSED SACRAMENT CHAPEL - Will be open (today) Sun. 6th Dec. from 3.00 – 4.55 pm. for prayers for the success of the year of Mercy called for by Pope Francis.

LAST SUNDAY COLLECTION: £2,250

Dungiven: £1,685. Drumsurn: £334. Gortnaghey: £231.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Annual Appeal 12th & 13th Dec.

The demands put on the St. Vincent De Paul are greater than ever. We are unable to help the poor and disadvantaged in our parish without your support. The money you donate is used for food, fuel and electricity. Hampers are delivered to many homes in the parish to make Christmas much happier for many families. Your generosity in the past has been much appreciated. Our Annual Appeal will take place next Sat. 12th & Sun. 13th Dec. We would like to take this opportunity to thank our church gate collectors, shop volunteers, anyone who donated cash, furniture or items for our shop throughout the year.

May we wish you all a Happy Holy Christmas and New Year.

ST. MATTHEW'S P.S. - Are now taking application forms for P1. Forms available at the school office and must be returned before 12 noon on Wed. 13th Jan. 2016.

KEVIN LYNCH HURLING CLUB

Lotto No's: 3, 8, 15 & 26. Lucky Dip Winner: Vola Cutmore, Glenroe Park. Jackpot £1,975.

RETIREMENT CLUB - Will meet on Mon. 7th Dec. at 2.00 pm. in Glenshane House

Please do not leave valuables in your car while attending Mass.

ST. CANICE'S G.A.C. - Thanks to everyone who helped make recent Gala Dinner a huge success. "Em 2 Balloons", a Christmas-cracker comedy show from Tony Devlin of "Man on the Moon" fame, in the club Sat. 12th Dec. at 8.00 pm. £10 entry. A.G.M. - Sun. 20th Dec.

GELVIN COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

A talk by Alistair Harper - World War I local perspective will be held on Mon. 14th Dec. at 8.00 pm. Adm. £2. Everyone welcome.

LITTLE RASCALS COMMUNITY PLAYGROUP, DRUMSURN

- Are holding an over 60's Christmas Tea Party for people in the Drumsurn Community. On Thurs. 10th Dec. from 1.30 - 3.30 pm. in St. Peter's Hall. There will be food bags to give away and a draw will take place. Our local primary school choir will be singing some carols accompanied by Willis Devlin.

CHILDREN IN CROSSFIRE - Will launch their Advent campaign this weekend 5th/6th Dec., Advent boxes will be available at the entrance to the chapel. Please take a box and place it in your home over the Advent season. www.childrenincrossfire.org

THANK YOU - To all who supported the Macmillan Afternoon Tea in Drenagh House, Limavady, on 26th Sept. Total raised was £4,680 in aid of the new Health and Wellbeing Centre being built at Altnagelvin.

LORETO COLLEGE - Carol Service on Thurs. 10th Dec. at 7.30 pm. Donations in aid of the Loreto Missions and St. Vincent de Paul.

ROE VALLEY BEREAVED BY SUICIDE SUPPORT GROUP - Meeting at 7.30 pm. Tues., 8th Dec., Wellness Centre, Irish Green St., Limavady.

THE NET" MONTHLY NEWSLETTER
The December edition is available in all church porches. Price £1.50.

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