#### 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: Mon. – Fri. 10.00 am. Note! No 10.00 am. Mass on Saturday. St. Matthew's: Tues. & Thurs. 9.15 am. Church of the Immaculate Conception:

Mon., Wed. & Fri. 9.15 am.

**CONFESSIONS** - **St. Patrick's:** Sat. 5.15 - 5.50 pm. *Note! No morning confessions.* 

**St. Matthew's Church:** Sun. 9.45 am. **Church of the Immaculate Conception:** Sat. 6.50 pm.

**BAPTISMS** - Will take place in St. Patrick's Church on the following dates: JUNE: Sun. 5<sup>th</sup>, Sat. 11<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> (Sun. at 12.15 pm. and 4.30 pm. on a Sat.) Drumsurn and Gortnaghey: by arrangement.



We welcome into our Christian Community – Sadie Maria Mallon, Greenhaven, Emma Louise O'Kane,

Finvola Park and Niamh Susan-Ann McAteer, Drumsurn Road.

We congratulate Grace Kealey & Shane McCarron on the occasion of their marriage on the 6<sup>th</sup> May and Rachel McKinney & Gavin Millar on the occasion of their marriage on the 7<sup>th</sup> May.

**FIRST COMMUNION DAY** - The children of **Gaelscoil Neachtain** will receive their First Communion on Sat. 21<sup>st</sup> May at **11.00 am.** in St. Patrick's Church.

**CHURCH CLEANERS REQUIRED** To cover the months of March and September in Gortnaghey Chapel, if you can help please contact the parish office

# PILGRIMAGE TO ROME

Our parish pilgrimage will take place from  $26^{\text{th}}$  Sept. –  $3^{\text{rd}}$  Oct. 2016. Cost £730. Spiritual Director: Fr. Séamus Kelly. There are still a small number of places left, if interested contact Martina on 077 1549 0880 or Tel: 777 41219.

### LAST WEEKS COLLECTION: £2,740.

CEMETERY SUNDAY DATES The Immaculate Conception, on Sat. 28<sup>th</sup> May after 7.15 pm. Mass St. Matthew's on Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> May after 10.15 am. Mass. St. Patrick's, on Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> May at 3.00 pm.

### **NEW PAROCHIAL HOUSE**

'Works are to be carried out to provide a replacement parochial house on the site at Chapel Road. The works will include the demolition of the existing house and the construction of a new two storey house complete with associated services installations and site works. Tenders will be invited for these construction works.

General contractors who wish to be considered for inclusion in the tender list should contact F. M. Corr and Associates, Chartered Architects, 1 Bayview Terrace, Derry, BT48 7EE in writing or by email to info.fmcorr@gmail.com, requesting the issue of a questionnaire to be completed and returned to the above named architects; the questionnaire will set out details required in respect of name, address, vat registration, insurances, financial/ trading details, and works previously carried out of relevant nature and value.'

**MAGHERAFELT PARISH** - Pilgrimage on Sun. 12<sup>th</sup> June to the Mass Rock in Glenshane forest. Mass at 1.00 pm.

### HOLY COMMUNION UNDER BOTH KINDS

Communion under both kinds has been introduced at our weekly Masses for the past number of months.

It will now be introduced at all Masses on the Feast of Corpus Christi, the feast of the Body and blood of Christ

... Take, eat; this is my body.', Drink from it, all of you; for this is my blood of the covenant' (Mt 26:26-27)

Holy Communion has a fuller form as a sign when it takes place under both kinds. In this way, the sign of the Eucharistic banquet is more clearly evident.

The faithful in the congregation who receive Holy Communion under the species of bread alone are not deprived of any grace necessary for salvation, since the risen Lord, whole and entire, is received under one species only.

Introducing Holy Communion from the chalice for all in the congregation is an apt opportunity for parishes to reflect once more on how they celebrate the Eucharist on Sunday, so that its celebration may truly be a sign of the fullness of God's life for the world. Holy Communion under both kinds for all the faithful in the congregation has additional significance for those who for health reasons cannot participate under the species of bread alone. They are enabled to join the communal procession to Holy Communion to receive the Blood of Christ and, so, are saved from stress and medical disclosure.

# YEAR OF MERCY DIOCESAN DESIGNATED DAYS FOR EACH DEANERY

Last Sunday there was a large gathering for celebrating the year of mercy in the Inishowen Deanery in Carndonagh Parish.

We have the privilege of hosting the County Derry Deanery Event here in our parish of St. Patrick's on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> June. Celebrations will commence at 2.00 pm. and finish around 4.00 pm. More details next week.

### REFUGEE APPEAL

St. Vincent de Paul would like to express their thanks following their recent appeal. The generosity of local people has been much appreciated.

### TERMONBACCA

Mass for the Sick on Tues. 17<sup>th</sup> May at 8.00 pm. Teresian Carmelite Pilgrimage to Lourdes: 30<sup>th</sup> Aug. – 7<sup>th</sup> Sept. 2016. Cost 699 euros. Tel: 71 262512.

### **BENEDY COMMUNITY CENTRE**

Benbradagh Club on Wed. 18<sup>th</sup> May @ 8.30 pm. Music by Aidan Canning. Adm. £4.

### S.M.A. OPEN DAY, DROMANTINE

Sun. 5<sup>th</sup> June. Wanted: Unwanted Gifts & Tray Bakes. Leave with Theresa Donaghy, Sawel Pl. or Sally McCartney, Gortnaghey, by Thurs. 2<sup>nd</sup> June.

## HANDS THAT TALK

Please help support the Deaf Community by donating small bric-a-brac items. Bags can be dropped into H.T.T. Mon. – Thurs. 9.00 am. – 5.00 pm. Tel: 777 42776 / Text 079 1221 0803.

**KEVIN LYNCH HURLING CLUB** - *Lotto No's:* 6, 9, 13 & 29. Lucky Dip Winner: Amy McNicholl, Holmlea Park. Jackpot £2,550.

**ST. CANICE'S G.A.C.** - Massive congratulations to our very own Pat "Paroe" McCloskey who was deservedly awarded the Irish News Volunteer of the Year for 2016, after a joint nomination from St. Canice's G.A.C. & Kevin Lynch H. C. Pat is an everpresent positive influence around our clubs and helps in so many ways. **Big Breakfast** fundraiser in the club on Sat. 21<sup>st</sup> May, 9.00 am. – 1.00 pm. *Lotto No's: 2, 6, 8 & 16.* £20: Julie Anne Moore, Mickey Heaney and Peter Mullally. Jackpot £2,800.

**WHIST DRIVE** - In St. Peter's Hall (today) Sun. 15<sup>th</sup> May, at 8.00 pm.

**GORTNAGHEY COMMUNITY CENTRE** Independent Advice Clinic Mon.  $16^{th}$  May 2.00 - 4.00 pm. no appointment necessary, but making one will avoid having to wait. Check out your pension or how the new Benefit Regulations will affect you. Buggy Workout, Keep Fit Class on Wed. from 9.30 - 10.30 am. £5 per session. Auld Tyme Dance on Fri.  $27^{th}$  May. Music by Aidan Taffe. Adm. £5.

> **ST. VINCENT DE PAUL** Helpline: 079 279 299 23.