23rd April 2017 **Dungiven Parish Bulletin** No 1372 Fr. Séamus Kelly P.P. Tel: 777 41219. Fr. Joseph Varghese C.C. Tel: 777 41256. Fr. David O'Kane (Claudy) Tel: 71 337 727. Fr. Patrick Baker (Banagher) Tel: 777 81223. Fr. Arthur O'Reilly (Foreglen) Tel: 71 338 261. Parish Office Tel: 777 40702. Email address dunpar@icloud.com Parish Website www.dungivenparish.com

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. 7.15 pm.

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

St. Patrick's Church: Mon. – Fri. 10.00 am. *Please note! No Mass on Saturday at 10.00 am.*

St. Matthew's Church: Tues & Thur. 9.15 am.

Church of the Immaculate Conception: Mon. & Wed. 9.15 am.

MONTH'S MIND MASSES

For Michael McGilligan on Fri. 28th April at 8.00 pm. in St. Matthew's.

For Anthony O'Hara on Sat. 29th April at 6.00 pm. in St. Patrick's.

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

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

BAPTISMS - Will take place in St. Patrick's Church on the following dates: **MAY: Sun:** 7th, **Sat: 13th, 20th & 27th.** (Sun. at 12.15 pm. and 4.30 pm. on a Sat.) Drumsurn and Gortnaghey by arrangement. *Please note! When booking a Baptism you MUST get a card from the parish office. Booking will not be complete until card is returned to the office. Two* <u>weeks notice</u> must be given for all Baptism Bookings.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY – Today, Sunday 23rd April at 3.00 pm. in St. Patrick's Church. Confessions before Mass at 2.30 pm.

TERMONBACCA - Mass of the Sick on Tues. 25th April at 8.00 pm.

CEMETERY SUNDAY DATES

Immaculate Conception, on Sat. 27th May after 7.15 pm. Mass St. Matthew's on Sunday 28th May after 10.15 am. Mass. St. Patrick's, on Sunday 28th May at 6.00 pm.

EUCHARIST ADORATION - Adorers needed for Tuesdays from 11.00 am. - 12 noon and 4.00 - 5.00 pm. If you can spend one hour with Jesus, contact the parish office.

ALTAR SOCIETY, GORTNAGHEY - Cleaners needed for the month of March, please contact the parish office.

Please let the Priests know when you have a relative in hospital, we would like to visit them. Contact the parish office or any of the Priests.

THE APRIL BIG ASK!

Are you between the ages of 16 and 30? If 'Yes', then Pope Francis wants to hear from you, as the Church prepares for a Synod of Bishops (October 2018) on the theme: "Young People, the Faith and Vocational Discernment". You are asked to complete the survey found at this link: https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/bigaprilas <u>k</u> Further information and A Letter to Young People from Pope Francis can be found on www.derrydiocese.org

Please note: All couples getting married in this parish are expected to attend a Pre-Marriage Course. Contact Maghera Pastoral Centre on 028 7964 2983 or visit Accord Catholic Marriage Care Service.

The office will reopen on Monday 24th April

CONFIRMATION DAY JÍ. Archbishop Patrick Kelly will administer the Sacrament of Confirmation and will be assisted by Fr. Séamus & Fr. Joseph in Saint Patrick's Church on Saturday 29th April 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 gender. 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/Priest by a Sponsor, who places his/her right hand on the child's shoulder and tells the Bishop/Priest the child's Confirmation Name. The Bishop/Priest anointing the child with the Oil of Chrism says, "Be sealed with the gift of the Holy Spirit" and the child answers "Amen". The Bishop/Priest says "Peace be with you" and the child answers "And With Your Spirit". The placing of the right hand on the child's shoulder by the sponsor 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.

ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH - <u>Extraordinary</u> <u>Ministers of the Eucharist for May:</u> 6.00 pm. – Danny O'Kane & Ann O'Kane. 9.00 am. – Mary Grieve & Mary McCloskey. 11.30 am. – Joe McVey & Keith Kelly.

ALTAR SOCIETY FOR MAY - St Patrick's – Anne McCloskey. *Imm. Concept.* – Patricia Hegarty & Siobhan McCartney. (Flowers – Veronica McCool). St. *Matthew's* – Madeline Mullan & Jeanette Robinson. *Ground Maintenance:* Dermot Rafferty & Colin McNicholl.

COLLECTORS FOR MAY – St. Patrick's: 6.00 pm. – Finbar Gillen, Danny O'Kane (Curragh Rd), Seamus Doran & Shauna Kelly. 9.00 am. – Seamus Mullan, Gerard Gallagher, Fergal Duffy & Martin Myles. 11.30 am. – Martin Mullan, William McCloskey, Joe McVey & Brendan Harkin. St. Matthew's: Seamus Doherty, Joe Irwin and Pax O'Connor.

SAFEGUARDING OUR CHILDREN

If you have concerns about the welfare and safety of children participating in any parish activities, please contact one of our Parish Representatives: Mrs Jacqueline Brady, 777 41598, or Mrs Dana Farren, 777 40441.

BENEDY CENTRE

CSR Training on Sat. 6th May. Contact Mary on 777 43737 or 078 4330 5959 to book a place.

DUNGIVEN REGENERATION CLUB

Upcoming Classes: Ten week Sewing Class starting Tues. 25^{th} April 7.00 – 9.00 pm. Eight week Art Class starting Thurs. 27^{th} April 7.00 – 9.00 pm. Both classes suitable for all levels of ability. To book a place please contact 077 5271 2451. Craft Shop open every Wed. & Sat. 11.00 - 3.00 pm.

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