23rd December 2018 **Dungiven Parish Bulletin** No 1459 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.

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Christmas 2018

The Priests of the Parish wish you a very happy and Holy Christmas.

CHRISTMAS MASSES. Tuesday 25th Dec. is the Solemnity of the Nativity of Our Lord.

On Christmas Eve, there will be two vigil Masses in St. Patrick's. The first will be for young children and their families at 5.00 pm. The Second mass for all will be at 6.30 pm. Christmas Day: 9.00 am. (Irish) & 11.30 am.

St. Matthew's – Monday: Vigil 9.00 pm. Note! No Mass at 11.30 pm. Christmas Day: 10.15 am.

Immaculate Conception – Monday: Vigil 7.00 pm. Christmas Day: **10.30 am.**

SUNDAY MASS TIMES

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

St. Matthew's: Sun. 10.15 am.

Immaculate Conception: Sat. 7.15 pm.

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

St. Patrick's: Wed. - Fri. 10.00 am. Note! No 10.00 am. Mass on Mon. 24th and Sat. 29th Dec.

St. Matthew's: Note! No 9.15 am. Mass on Thurs. 27^{th} Dec.

Imm. Concept: Note! No 9.15 am. Mass on Mon. 24th and Wed. 26th.

MONTH'S MIND MASSES

For Donal Harkin on Sat. 29th Dec. at 6.00 pm. Vigil in St. Patrick's.

For Noelle Forrest (nee Quigg) on Sat. 29th Dec. at 6.00 pm. in *Christ the King, Limavady*.

CONFESSIONS - No confessions in any of the churches weekend 29th / 30th Dec.



BAPTISM - We welcome into our Christian Community: Jessica Chalisa Forsythe, Gortnagross

Road.

BAPTISMS - Will take place in St. Patrick's Church on the following dates: Jan: Sun. 6th, Sat. 12th, 19th & 26th. (Sun. at 12.15 pm. and 4.30 pm. on a Sat.) Drumsurn & Gortnaghey by arrangement.

PREPARE FOR BAPTISM PROGRAMMEWill take place on Mon. 7th and Wed. 23rd
Jan. at 7.30 pm. in conference room.

† DEATHS – We extend our sympathy to the Mullan family circle on the death of Paddy Mullan, Gelvin Road.

LAST WEEKS COLLECTION: £2,398
Thank you to all who contributed.

LEARNING ABOUT THE MASS WITH KATH AND QUMEN - WHAT THE PRIEST WEARS - The special clothes that the priest wears for Mass are called There are three different vestments. pieces, which he needs to put on. Over his ordinary clothes the priest puts on a white or cream coloured tunic called an alb. Then he puts on a long piece of coloured cloth which looks like a scarf and is called a stole. Over the alb and the stole he puts on his chasuble. The colour of the stole and the chasuble is very important. It tells us what season we are in or what special occasion we are celebrating in the Church year. There are four main colours worn during the year: green, purple, red and white.

ADVENT PROGRAMME – ST. PATRICK'S Sun. 23rd Dec. at 5.00 pm.

Penance Service

Fr. Michael Collins will introduce a new form of Penitential Service today Sunday 23rd Dec at 5.00 pm. This service has already been celebrated in Limavady and Banagher in the past years. A large attendance is expected so Extra priests will be available at this service.

EUCHARIST ADORATION

Adorers needed for **Friday mornings** from 9.00 – 10.00 am. Please contact the parish office.

THE BLESSED SACRAMENT CHAPEL
Will be CLOSED: Monday 24th &

Tuesday 25th Dec. Also: Monday 31st Dec. & Tuesday 1st Jan. 2019.

TERMONBACCA

Mass in honour of Blessed Alexandrina on Sun. 30th Dec. at 7.30 pm. Everyone welcome.

On New Year's Eve, Monday 31st

Dec., you are invited to come together
to celebrate Mass at 4.30 pm. in St.
Patrick's Church. We gather in the last
light of the old year to move out again
in the light of Christ into 2019.

The Parish Office will be CLOSED next week. Notices for the bulletin must be in by 12 noon on Wed. 26th December.

ST. CANICE'S G.A.C.

Lotto No's: 8, 22, 23 & 30. No £20 winners. Jackpot £3,600. Christmas Eve Refreshments: On Mon. 24th Dec. we will be serving FREE tea, coffee and sandwiches from 9.00 am. – 2.00 pm. in St Canice's G.A.C. main hall for all local shoppers. Feel free to drop in.

If you need a Priest for an Emergency call on Christmas Day Tel: 777 41256

S.V.P. - HELPLINE: 079 279 299 23

ST. PATRICK'S COLLEGE, DUNGIVEN

Our annual Open Evening on Thurs. 10th Jan. Principal's address at 7.00 pm. followed by guided group tours.

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 Mary McCloskey, Tel: 777 41768 (Dungiven area), Mr Colm Brolly, Tel: 777 42570 (Gortnaghey area), or Mrs Alice McNicholl, Tel: 777 40007, (Drumsurn area).

ST. JOSEPH'S YOUNG PRIESTS SOCIETY

Christmas Draw winners: Finn Volman – hamper, Amelia McDaid – hamper, Sean Quinn – Beauty Set, Agnes Bonner – Crochet pillow and blanket, Donal Kelly – Basket of Fruit, Seamus McLaughlin – biscuits and buns, Willie Feeney - biscuits and buns, Dominic Hasson – Chocolate & Jam. Many thanks to all who supported our draw.

MAKE A WISH POP-UP SHOP & RAFFLE

A huge thank you to everyone who supported us, the total raised was £1,187. Raffle Winners: 1st Prize: Anne O'Hagan, 2nd Prize: Caitie McKeever, 3rd Prize: Lorraine McCloskey. Also a special thanks to all who donated dresses and items and everyone who helped out in anyway on the day, before and after.

CHILDREN IN CROSSFIRE - Advent boxes are still available at the back of the chapel. You can return your box in January, donations will help Children in Ethiopia and Tanzania have access to education, food, clean water and health care.

WHIST DRIVE - In St. Peter's Hall (today) Sun. 23rd Dec. at 8.00 pm.

FEENY BAND CHRISTMAS DRAW WINNERS - 1st Prize £200: Caodhán O'Neill, Glenedra Rd. 2nd Prize £100: Eoin Crossan, Terrydreen. 3rd Prize £75: Joey Hasson, Glenedra Road.