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PALM SUNDAY - Palms will be blessed at all Masses next weekend.

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. EARLY MORNING MASS DURING LENT ON TUESDAYS & THURSDAY AT 7.00 AM. WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

St. Patrick's: Mon. - Sat. 10.00 am. St. Matthew's: Tues. & Thurs. 9.15 am. Imm. Conception: Mon. & Wed. 9.15 am.

FIRST ANNIVERSARY MASS For Patsy Donaghy on Mon. 8th April at 8.00 pm. in St. Patrick's.

There will be a Dawn Mass at 5.30 am. on Easter Sunday morning at Benbradagh.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS St. Patrick's: Wed. after 10.00 am. Mass. St. Matthew's: Tues. after 9.15 am. Mass Imm. Conception: Mon. after 9.15 am. Mass. CONFESSIONS - St. Patrick's: Sat. 10.30 –

11.00 am. & 5.30 - 5.50 pm. **St. Matthew's:** Sun. 10.00 am. **Imm. Concept.** Sat. 7.00 pm.

PREPARE FOR BAPTISM PROGRAMME Will take place on Wed. 17th April at 7.30 pm. in committee room.

BAPTISMS - Will take place in St. Patrick's Church on the following dates: April: Sat. 27th. May: Sun. 5th, Sat. 11th, 18th & 25th (Sun. at 12.15 pm. and 4.30 pm. on a Sat.) Drumsurn & Gortnaghey by arrangement.

 $\hat{\mathbf{T}}$ **DEATHS** – We extend our sympathy to the McLaughlin family circle on the death of Lucy McLaughlin, Finvola Park. May she rest in peace.

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

LENTEN PROGRAMME - Our Lenten Programme will take place on the Sunday's of Lent at 5.00 pm. in St. Patrick's. 5^{th} Sunday Lent (7^{th} April) - *Sacramental*

Anointing Service. Palm Sunday (14th April) St. Patrick's at 5.00 pm. *Penitential Service* with extra priests available for confession. We will repeat the Service we had at Christmas with people just coming up to the priest and saying they are sorry for their sins.

LAST SUNDAYS COLLECTION: £2,341. *Thank you to all who contributed*

OFFERTORY GIFT ENVELOPES Many thanks to all the volunteers who distributed the envelopes. If anyone requires envelopes please contact the parish office.

MEDJUGORJE PRAYER MEETING - Young Adult Medjugorje prayer meeting will continue this Tuesday. *Time* 7.30 pm.

LEARNING ABOUT THE MASS WITH KATH AND QUMEN. OFFERING THE GIFTS – AN OLD CUSTOM. In the early Church people brought the bread and the wine that was used during Mass. This was their gift to their Church family. They also brought other food to be blessed and sometimes this food was given to those who did not have enough to eat. When we bring the bread, wine and money to the altar we are continuing this custom. We also continue this custom of giving when we put money in our Trócaire Box during Lent or when we give money to organizations collecting outside of the church, like the St Vincent De Paul.

PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING – Will take place on Wednesday 10th April at 7.30 pm. in the Parochial House, Chapel Road.

PARISH FINANCIAL STATEMENT 2018 ACCOUNTS - On 20th March our accountant John Quigg presented the Parish Accounts for 2018, and finds everything in order. We would like to pay a special word of thanks to John for looking after the Parish Accounts. A summary copy of our finances is on the notice board of all the churches, or if you would like a copy, please call at the parish office.

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS - 'It is great to see our new Eucharistic Ministers well settled in enabling rotas etc. to be planned on a better basis. It also gives encouragement to our parish community to see more parishioner volunteers assisting in the celebration of the We REALLY need further Eucharist. volunteers so that a more reasonable space can be created for existing volunteers. In particular we appeal for more volunteers for the Saturday vigil Mass. If you attend this Mass please seriously consider putting your name forward. We will ensure that you get a chance to visit the church for a practice run before you actually begin your duties as an Extraordinary Eucharistic Minister. It is a great privilege to undertake God's work in this respect and an opportunity for Lay people to contribute to the celebration of the Eucharist. Regardless of which Mass you regularly attend please let Geraldine or Louise in the Parish Office know if you are willing to give this great Ministry a try - you will not regret it.'

LETS CHANGE TOMORROW

Will be taking a collection for the victims of the East African cyclone. We will be collecting money on Sat. 13^{th} April from 10.30 am. – 8.00 pm. and also on Sun. 14^{th} April from 9.30 am. – 4.45 pm. Collection will be at 99 Main Street, Dungiven, (Old Newsagents). Money will be sent to help with aid work. We ask people to please donate generously, many homes have been destroyed, crops washed away and lives lost. The people in East Africa are desperate for help.

We will also be holding a fashion / Bridal Show and Wedding fare in Owenbeg Centre on Sat. 1st June, details will be published soon.

ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH, ALTAR SOCIETY

Cleaner required to cover the month of May. Please contact the parish office.

THORNHILL MINISTRIES - "Everything Belongs" Retreat Day with Fr. Paschal McDonnell (Mon. 15^{th} Apr. 9.30 am. – 2.15 pm.) A time for reflection as we process our life experiences and learn to accept our flawed, fragile and beautiful self. "Queen of the May Festival" Fri. 3^{rd} May – Mon. 6^{th} May. We invite anyone who would like to set up a May Altar to please get in touch. Contact: 7135 1233 or e-mail thornhillministries@derrydiocese.org.

ONLINE HOLY WEEK RETREAT - As we prepare for Easter, we are pleased to offer an online Holy Week retreat with reflections on the Holy Week and Easter Gospels. This online retreat is **free of charge**. Register by 12th April. For further information email enquiries@prioryinstitute.com

GLENSHANE HOUSE - OCN Level 3 Award in Working with Children & Young People with Special Needs, C&G Level 3 Autism course, C&G L2 Health & Social Care course & OCN L3vel 2 Award in Corporate Governance for the Third Sector (9 credits 5 modules). Tel: 777 42494 or call into office to register.

DUNGIVEN AND FEENY LOCAL COMMITTEE FOR CANCER RESEARCH UK - Would like to thank all those who sponsored or donated to our recent Big Breakfast. With your help, we raised £6,640 which is a magnificent amount. During the last financial year, you have helped us to raise the amazing total of £22,940 for this worthy cause. Thank you for your continued support.

BENEDY COMMUNITY ASSOC. – **CSR** One Day Training course: Sat. 13th & Sat. 27th April. Contact Harley Tel: 777 43737 or Mary Tel: 0784 330 5959.

KEVIN LYNCH H.C. - *Lotto No's: 12, 13, 21 & 25.* Lucky dip: Liam O'Connor. Jackpot £2,125.

GORTNAGHEY CENTRE - Annual Princesses Ball, Sun. 28th April, from 2.30 -4.30 pm. Tickets on sale, Cost £10. Tel: 078 4523 1736 to book or message through FB.