

23rd February 2020 **Dungiven Parish Bulletin** No 1520

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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.

EASTER DUTY - All the faithful who have received their First Communion are bound by a serious obligation to receive Holy Communion worthily at least once each year within the period appointed, namely, between Ash Wednesday (26th Feb.) and Trinity Sun. (7th June).

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

*Ash Wednesday is a day of
Fast & Abstinence*

ASH WEDNESDAY MASSES

St. Patrick's Church:

7.00 am. 10.00 am. & 7.30 pm.

St. Matthew's Church: 9.00 am.

(Please note! Change of time.)

The Immaculate Conception: 9.00 am.

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Ashes will be distributed at all these Masses.

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES - St. Patrick's:

Mon. & Tues. 10.00 am. – Thur. 7.00 & 10.00

am. Fri. 10.00 am. **No 10.00 am. Mass Sat.**

morning. St. Matthew's: Tues. & Thurs.

9.15 am. **Imm. Conception:** Mon. 9.15 am.

CONFESSIONS - St. Patrick's: Sat. *Please*

note! No morning confession on Sat. 29th Feb.

Sat. 5.30 - 5.50 pm. **St. Matthew's:** Sun.

10.00 am. **Imm. Concept.** Sat. 7.00 pm.

BAPTISMS: Will take place in St. Patrick's on

the following dates: **March: Sun 1st, Sat. 7th,**

14th & 28th. (Sun. at 12.15 pm. and 4.30 pm.

on a Sat.) **Drumsum & Gortnaghey by**

arrangement.

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BAPTISM - We welcome into our Christian Community – Ella Friel, O' Cathain's Place

† **DEATHS** – We extend our sympathy to the Farren family circle on the death of James Farren, Abbeyfields. May he rest in peace.

DAY OF PRAYER & REFLECTION INCLUDING LUNCH FROM 10.30 AM. – 3.00 PM. All Eucharist Ministers & Readers are invited to a Day of Prayer in Thornhill on **Sat. 4th April.** Please give your name into the parish office by **30th March**, as numbers are required for catering purposes. *Also any dietary requirements.*

NOVENA - We invite you to take a copy of our short **Novena to the Holy Spirit** to pray for all our boys and girls who will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation next Saturday.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY - This week our link for St. Patrick is on <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hfRHX9hg9E>

LENTEN PROGRAMME - Begins next Sunday (1st March) with a Conducted Holy Hour in St. Patrick's Church at 5.00 pm.

OUR PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO MEDJUGORJE - Will take place 10th – 17th June 2020. Only a few places left. For further information contact Martina Tel: 777 41219 or 077 1549 0880.

LAST SUNDAY'S COLLECTION: £2,167

A collections for the upkeep of the graveyards will be taken up on Ash Wednesday, please use the brown envelope provided.

GELVIN COMM. ASSOC. - Night of True & Tall Tales, on Mon. 24th Feb at 8.00 pm.

KEVIN LYNCH H. C. - *Lotto No's: 1, 5, 6 & 17.* Lucky Dip: The Boyce Family.

ST CANICE'S G. A. C. - Annual Club Mass. Fri. 28th Feb. @ 7.30 pm. All welcome.

CONFIRMATION DAY



Bishop Donal McKeown will administer the Sacrament of Confirmation in Saint Patrick's Church on **Sat. 29th Feb. at 11.00 am.** Cars should not be parked within the church grounds on that occasion. *(Please use our car park).* 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. *Sponsor may not be a parent of the child.* **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 by a Sponsor, who places his/her right hand on the child's shoulder and tells the Bishop the child's **Confirmation Name.** The Bishop 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 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 - *Extraordinary*

Ministers of the Eucharist for March: 6.00 pm. – Frances Lynch, Donna O'Kane, Nuala McAreevey & Colleen McCloskey. **9.00 am.** – Eamon Dallett, Margaret McCloskey, Eimear McCartney & Kerrie L. Mullan. **11.30 am.** – Celine McKenna, Martin & Bernadette Millar & Rory Mullan.

Readers For March: 6.00 pm. – Oisín Mulhern & Maria McLaughlin. **9.00 am.** – Conor Lavery & Mary Grieve. **11.30 am.** – Aaron McElhinney & Cora O'Kane.

Altar Society For March - St. Patrick's: Anna Hasson. **Imm. Concept.** – Aine Hazlett & Valerie McCloskey. **St. Matthew's:** Rhonda, Laura & Shauna McGonigle. **Ground Maintenance:** Eugene McCloskey & Eugene Devlin.

Collectors For March - St. Patrick's: 6.00 pm. – Patsy McCloskey, Sean Boyle, Willie McGrellis & James McClarey. **9.00 am.** – Christine McCloskey, James Craig & Patrick Murphy. **11.30 am.** – Jude Farren, Kevin McNicholl & Martin Millar. **St. Matthew's** – Francis McCauley, Aidan Rafferty and Shaun Devlin.

New weekend rota for the Lay Ministers & the Readers available in the sacristy.

CANDLE OF ATONEMENT - A Day of Prayer for Victims and Survivors of abuse. The Candle is a reminder to pray for all those who carry lifelong suffering following abuse - they symbolise repentance, light in the darkness and hope. The annual Day of Prayer for Survivors and Victims of Sexual Abuse will be Fri. 28th Feb.

Candle of Atonement Prayer

Lord, forgive us our many sins.

We grieve and repent with all our hearts for having offended you, for our great failings and neglect of the young and vulnerable.

We place all of those who have been hurt by the Church in any way into your loving hands and under the protection of Our Blessed Mother.

Lord, bring peace to their broken lives and show us all the way out of darkness and into the light of your Word.

May we as the people of God be more fully human, more fully Christ-like and more fully your people, that we may see the errors of the past and go forward with renewed hope and faith in Christ and in our Church. Amen.

A candle has been lit at the statue of the Sacred Heart in St. Patrick's Church.