

25th October 2020 **Dungiven Parish Bulletin** No 1553

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COVID RESTRICTIONS

Some points concerning the recent declaration of the N. I. Assembly and a letter from our Bishop:

FACE COVERINGS: must be worn at all church services. For us this will include Baptisms, First Communion, Weddings and Funerals etc. Exceptions for people who have a medical condition and cannot wear a face covering and children under the age of 13.

FUNERALS: No more than 25 persons are allowed into the church. No more than 25 persons are permitted at the committal service at the graveside.

WEDDINGS: No more than 25 persons allowed in the church.

BAPTISMS: 25 persons per family allowed in the church.

Quote from Bishop Donal:

Since March of this year, there has been a seemingly unending stream of guidance and regulation from the government. Given that these restrictions are in place for four weeks, I have little doubt that more changes will follow. We keep in our prayers the good of the people, in terms both of physical and spiritual health.

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 MASSES: ST. PATRICK'S

Monday – Saturday 10.00 am.

CONFESSIONS: ST. PATRICK'S

Sat. 10.30 - 11.00 am. & 5.15 - 5.50 pm.

ST. PADRE PIO - HEALING MASS

Will take place on Tuesday 3rd Nov. at 7.30 pm. in St. Patrick's Church.

THE ROSARY: Monday – Saturday at 9.40 am. in St. Patrick's Church.

Sunday 1st Nov. – Feast Of All Saints

Monday 2nd Nov. – Feast Of All Souls

Mass times for Monday 2nd November

St. Patrick's: 10.00 am. & 7.30 pm.

St. Matthew's: 9.15 am.

Immaculate Conception: 9.15 am.

IRISH EPISCOPAL CONFERENCE

At the recent general meeting of the I.E.C. it was agreed that the beginning of the month of November should be marked with a short Service to dedicate the month of November as a month of Prayer and Remembrance for the Dead and for the Comfort of the Bereaved. This Service is to take place on Sunday 1st November at 3.00 pm. in cathedrals throughout the country, and people will be invited to participate via webcam and other online media from their homes. The link for St Eugene's Cathedral in Derry where Bishop Donal will be celebrating this service is: <http://www.steugenescathedral.com/>

BAPTISMS - We welcome into our Christian Community: Mia Kate McGowan, Kilhoyle Road.

BAPTISMS - Will take place in St. Patrick's Church on the following dates: **Nov: Sun. 1st, Sat. 7th, 14th & 21st.** (Sun. at 12.15 pm. and 4.30 pm. on a Sat.) *Drumsmurn & Gortnaghey by arrangement, contact the parish office.*

☩ **DEATHS** – We extend our sympathy to the McNamee / Campbell family circle on the death of Joe McNamee, Greenhaven. May he rest in peace.

LAST SUNDAY'S COLLECTION: £1,628.

Thank you to all who contributed.

PARISH REQUIEM

Requiem Mass will be celebrated in St. Patrick's Church, on **Monday 16th November at 7.30 pm.**

BLESSED SACRAMENT CHAPEL

The Blessed Sacrament Chapel is open **all day from 8.00 am. – 6.00 pm.** Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, and **all day from 8.00 am. – 8.00 pm.** on a **Tuesday.** Seats/chairs has been marked/placed were you must sit, please do not move the chairs. We can accommodate 8 people safely.

Please sanitize your hands before you enter the B. S. C. **Face coverings must be worn in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel.**

TAKING HOLY COMMUNION TO A CLOSE FAMILY MEMBER

On Tuesday last 30 Parishioners were commissioned as Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharistic to bring Holy Communion to those who are unable to come to Mass.

There will be one more commissioning ceremony before Christmas for those who would like to participate in this ministry. If anyone else would like to be considered for this ministry please contact the parish office this week.

JOIN US FOR THE VIRTUAL MARY'S MEALS MEDJUGORJE PILGRIMAGE

Medjugorje holds a special place in our history as the birthplace of Mary's Meals – when in 1992 the MacFarlane-Barrow family launched an appeal to help the people of war-stricken Bosnia-Herzegovina.

This year, the annual Mary's Meals Medjugorje pilgrimage will take place online from Friday 13th to Sunday 15th November. This virtual pilgrimage welcomes supporters from across the Mary's Meals family and will focus primarily on praying together – recognising that prayer remains a core part of our mission.

Whilst this particular annual event is a 'Medjugorje pilgrimage' and the form of some prayers will be more familiar to Catholics, please know that everyone is welcome regardless of their faith tradition or beliefs.

DIOCESAN MASS FOR DECEASED CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE

The Annual Mass for deceased children and young people will be celebrated in St. Eugene's Cathedral, Derry, on Sun. 8th Nov. at 7.00pm. You can join this Mass live on the St. Eugene's Cathedral webcam. If you would like to have a child or young person remembered at this Mass, please email the name to lizzie.rea@derrydiocese.org or Tel: 028 7126 4087.

KEVIN LYNCH H. C.

Lotto No's: 7, 11, 24 & 26. Lucky Dip: Liam Smyth, Ballykelly. Jackpot £2,350.

YOUTH MINISTRY - Following on from our very successful webinar 'Energising Youth Ministers' held on 8th Oct. we have taken your feedback and are delighted to announce the following webinars:

Nov. 2 – Icebreakers – How to deliver and engage young people with on-line icebreakers (Aoife Walsh, Diocese of Limerick) – 12 noon – 1.00 pm.

Nov. 9 – JPII Award (In conjunction with The Pope John Paul II Award) – How to run the Award during COVID-19 Restrictions – Practical Examples from around the country (Tony Brennan, Lizzie Rea & Yvonne Rooney, Diocese of Derry), - 11.30 am. – 1.00 pm.

Nov. 16 – Instagram (In conjunction with The Pope John Paul II Award)– How to use Instagram effectively – Practical examples with some technical tips (Tony Brennan, Lizzie Rea & Yvonne Rooney, Diocese of Derry) – 12 noon – 1.00 pm.

Nov. 23 - Zoom - An insight into hosting a Zoom meeting (James McLoughlin, Clogher don Óige) – 12 noon – 1.00 pm.

Nov. 30 – Alpha On-line – How to run Alpha Youth On-line (Amanda O'Shea, Alpha Ireland) – 12 noon – 1.00 pm.

Dec. 14 - Finding God in the Mess - An Online Retreat for Youth Ministers (Jim Deeds & Fr. Brendan McManus SJ) – 12 noon – 1.00 pm. Registration Webinars link: <https://cymireland.weebly.com/autumnwebinar>