

6th December 2020 **Dungiven Parish Bulletin** No 1559

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CORONAVIRUS

Despite the good news about the vaccine, it is very important we don't get into bad practise. Anyone with Covid 19 or anyone in the household isolating should not come to Mass or any of the services or visit the church.

Our churches will re-open for all church services on Friday 11th Dec.

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.

THE SOLEMNITY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY, TUESDAY 8TH DECEMBER.

St. Patrick's:

Monday Vigil 7.30 pm. & Tuesday 10.00 am. **Via the webcam.**

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

Mon. – Thurs. 10.00 am. Via the webcam.
Friday & Saturday morning the church will be open.

CONFESSIONS: ST. PATRICK'S

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

THE ROSARY: Mon. – Thurs. at 9.35 am. in St. Patrick's Church via the webcam.

Friday & Saturday morning the church will be open.

STEWARDS NEEDED

We are appealing for volunteers to help out with stewarding at the Christmas Masses. Please contact the parish office.

LAST SUNDAY'S COLLECTION: £1,053

Thank you to all who contributed.

FIRST ANNIVERSARY MASSES

For William & Susan Bryson (today) Sun. 6th Dec. at 11.30 am. in St. Patrick's Church, via the webcam.

For Isobel McCloskey on Tues. 8th Dec. at 10.00 am. in St. Patrick's Church, via the webcam.

For Aisling McReynolds on Sat. 12th Dec. at 10.00 am. in St. Patrick's Church.

ADVENT PROGRAMME – ST. PATRICK'S

Sun. 6th Dec. at 4.00 pm.

Holy Hour - Via the webcam.

Sun. 13th Dec. at 5.00 pm.

Carol Service.

Sun. 20th Dec. at 5.00 pm.

Penitential Service,

(No Individual Confession)



BAPTISMS - Will take place in St. Patrick's Church on the following dates: **Dec. Sat. 12th & 19th. Jan. Sun. 3rd, Sat. 9th, 16th & 23rd.** (Sun. at 12.15 pm. and 4.30 pm. on a Sat.) *Drumsum & Gortnaghey by arrangement, contact the parish office.*

PARISH CHRISTMAS CARDS – Will be available only at the parish office, from the beginning of December. *Please have the names of those you are buying a card for written out on a sheet of paper.*

This year the money from the sale of the Christmas Cards will be given to St. Vincent De Paul.

S.V.P. HELPLINE

Christmas will be different for everyone this year. If you are struggling and in need of a helping hand, please contact the S.V.P confidential helpline: 079 2792 9923.

PRAYER MEETING

Fr. Kelly will not be having a talk on Tuesday 8th December.

CHRISTMAS MASSES

Christmas Eve

5.00 pm. - St. Patrick's.

Parents and young children.

7.00 pm. - St. Patrick's.

9.00 pm. - St. Patrick's.

5.00 pm. - St. Matthew's.

7.00 pm. - Immaculate Conception.

Christmas Day

8.00 am. - St. Patrick's

Mass will be in Irish.

10.00 am. - St. Patrick's

12 noon - St. Patrick's

10.15 am. - St. Matthew's.

8.30 am. - Immaculate Conception.

Normally we have five Masses at the weekends and for Christmas this year we will have ten Masses.

We will not have a booking system. People will be seated as they arrive. Unfortunately we cannot take in extra or have people standing at the back of the church.

However we would encourage people to go to their car and watch the Mass via the webcam on your mobile. At the end of Mass, after everybody in the church has received Holy Communion, you are invited to come in by the main door in St. Patrick's, Dungiven, and receive Holy Communion.

This is also possible for the 5.00 pm. in Drumsum and 7.00 pm. in Gortnaghey, even though the Mass will be broadcast from Dungiven, you may still go into the church in Drumsum & Gortnaghey and receive Holy Communion at the end of that Mass.

2021 CHURCH ART CALENDARS

For sale in Parish Office. Price £1.50.

BEGINNING TO MEDITATE

If you are free 7.00 – 7.20 pm. on a Monday, a guide from Thornhill Ministries offers a pathway to meditation on the Scriptures.

Please go to mcnmedia.tv open St. Patrick's Church and click on the Blessed Sacrament link.

HELP PROTECT BABIES WITH CLEFT LIP, CLEFT PALATE AND CLUB FOOT

Sadly abortion is currently available in the UK, right up to birth, for babies with cleft lip, cleft palate and clubfoot. All of these conditions can be corrected.

A cross-party group of MPs from the three largest parties in the UK Parliament have come together to bring forward the Abortion (Cleft lip, cleft palate and club foot) Bill. The Bill will change the law to clarify that cleft palate, cleft lip, and clubfoot are not grounds for abortion in the UK.

Can you help with getting your MP to support the Bill? Please visit www.standupandsmile.org.uk to email your MP asking them to support the Bill. It only takes 30 seconds.

BENEDY CENTRE - CSR One Day Training course on Sat. 19th Dec. Contact Mary on 777 43737 or 0784 330 5959.

KEVIN LYNCH H. C.

Lotto No's: 11, 19, 25 & 28. Lucky Dip: Mary McGuigan. Jackpot £2,500.

CHILDREN IN CROSSFIRE'S

Advent Appeal boxes are now available at the doors of the chapel. This year's appeal is raising funds to help provide hand washing and sanitation facilities to 700 schools in Tanzania. Helping keep 80,000 kids safe from the spread of disease, especially vital right now. Thank you for your support.

ST. PATRICK'S GRAVEYARD

It has been brought to our attention about dogs fowling on graves. Dogs are **not** allowed in the graveyard, with the exception of guide dogs.