13th December 2020 **Dungiven Parish Bulletin** No 1560 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. Micheal McGavigan (Banagher) Tel: 777 81223. Mgr. Bryan McCanny (Limavady) Tel: 777 29759. Parish Office Tel: 777 40702. Email address dunpar@icloud.com Parish Website www.dungivenparish.com

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.

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.

MONTHS MIND MASSES

For Anna Stevenson (Nee Heaney) on Tues. 15th Dec. at 7.00 pm. in St. Patrick's For Geraldine Bond on Mon. 21st Dec. at 7.30 pm. in St. Patrick's

FIRST ANNIVERSARY MASS For Pat Murphy on Sat. 19th Dec. at 10.00 am. in St. Patrick's Church.

CONFESSIONS: ST. PATRICK'S Sat. 10.30 - 11.00 am. & 5.15 - 5.50 pm. THE ROSARY - Monday – Saturday at 9.40 am. in St. Patrick's Church.

STEWARDS NEEDED We are appealing for volunteers to help

out with stewarding at the Christmas Masses. Please contact the parish office.

WEDDING BELLS - We congratulate Carla Gormley & Steven Gormley on the occasion of their marriage on the 5th December.

We congratulate Louise McCallion & Stephen McGuigan on the occasion of their marriage on the 10^{th} December.

PRAYER MEETING

Fr. Séamus will not be giving a talk on Tuesday 15^{th} December.

ADVENT PROGRAMME – ST. PATRICK'S 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 19th. Jan. Sun. 3rd, Sat. 9th, 16th & 23rd. (Sun. at 12.15 pm. and 4.30 pm. on a Sat.) Drumsurn & Gortnaghey by arrangement, contact the parish office.

PARISH CHRISTMAS CARDS – Are available <u>only at the parish office</u>, *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.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL ANNUAL CHRISTMAS COLLECTION

The annual collection will be taken up over the next two weekends, **Sat. 12th & Sun. 13th and Sat. 19th and Sun. 20th Dec.** Donations can be placed in the S.V.P. collection box in the Chapel porch, when leaving Mass. Donations can also be left in the St. Vincent De Paul Shop, Ballyquin Road, Dungiven. Thank you for your continued support.

> **PRIEST'S COLLECTION: £1,243** *Thank you to all who contributed.*

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 Drumsurn and 7.00 pm. in Gortnaghey, even though the Mass will be broadcast from Dungiven, you may still go into the church in Drumsurn & Gortnaghey and receive Holy Communion at the end of that Mass.

People must follow the directions of the stewards, and seats may not be held for someone arriving later.

 $\hat{\Psi}$ **DEATHS** – We extend our sympathy to the Mullin family circle on the death of Charles Mullin, formerly Ballyhargan, to the Heaveron family circle on the death of Joan Heaveron, Hass Park, and to the O'Neill family circle on the death of Sean O'Neill, Foreglen Road. May they rest in peace.

CAROL SERVICE COLLECTION

For Srs. Mary Killeen & Barbara Dooley. They are Irish Mercy Sisters working in the Mukura Slums in Nairobi, Kenya. They support four primary schools and works with street children.

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.

THE NET

The December 2020 edition of 'The Net', the monthly publication sharing the fruits of the faith in parishes and schools within the Diocese of Derry. As always, it features a wide variety of news, interesting and inspiring interviews, articles and photos from parishes across the diocese. Special mention is given to Dungiven Parish and Fr. Joseph's doctoral success, JP II Reflections, etc. The December edition of The Net is now available on the Diocesan website at https://www.derrydiocese.org/news/thenet-december-2020

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: 6, 9, 23 & 28. Lucky Dip: Cathal Kelly. Jackpot £2,525.