

#### 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.

**St. Matthew's:**

Tuesday & Thursday 9.15 am.

**Imm. Conception:**

Monday & Wednesday 9.15 am.

#### MONTHS MIND MASS

For Julie McGlinchey on Fri. 7<sup>th</sup> May at 7.30 pm. in St. Patrick's.

**CONFESSIONS: ST. PATRICK'S** - Saturday after 10.00 am. Mass and 5.15 - 5.50 pm.

**THE ROSARY:** Monday – Saturday at 9.35 am. in St. Patrick's Church.

The prayer to St. Joseph will be said after the rosary during the month of May.



**BAPTISMS** - We welcome into our Christian Community: Florence Sarah Mullan, Gortnamoyagh Road and Jayne Catherine McCloskey, Curragh Road.

**BAPTISMS** - Will take place in St. Patrick's Church on the following dates: **May: Sat. 15<sup>th</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup>. June: Sun. 6<sup>th</sup>, Sat. 12<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup>.** (Sun. at 12.15 pm. and 4.30 pm. on a Sat.) *Drumsumn & Gortnaghey by arrangement, contact the parish office.*

- **Two weeks notice must be given.**
- **Only 25 persons (including children) per family in the church.**

**LAST WEEKS COLLECTION: £2,715**

*Thank you to all who contributed.*

**DEATHS** – We extend our sympathy to the O'Hara family circle on the death of Mary O'Hara, Mountainview Park, also to the O'Hara family circle on the death of Ryan O'Hara, Main Street. May they rest in peace.

#### ST. PADRE PIO - HEALING MASS

Will take place on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> May at 7.00 pm. in St. Patrick's Church.

**SCRIPTURE MEDITATION** - Will continue on Monday evening at 7.00 pm. Please go to mcnmedia.tv open St. Patrick's Church and click on the Blessed Sacrament link.

**MAY ALTAR** - We would encourage families to make their own May Altar for the month of May in honour of Our Lady. Might be a lovely opportunity for families with young children to gather wild flowers to put them at Our Lady's altar.

#### LETS CHANGE TOMORROW

Are having a cash collection on Sat. 8<sup>th</sup> May at Eurospar car park, between 10.00 am. – 5.00 pm. for the Ethiopia crisis.

\*Please Note! This is a cash only collection as we do not have the means of transporting good to Ethiopia at present\* The cash donations will go to Ethiopia via St. Myriam McLaughlin.

We will also be accepting letters for a time capsule about life during 2021. The capsule will be buried in Dungiven and will be opened in 2060. We ask participants to make a donation to this worthy cause.

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

#### FIRST COMMUNION DATES

**St. Mary's:** 29<sup>th</sup> May 2021 in Imm. Conception, at **11.00 am.**

**Gaelскоil:** 29<sup>th</sup> May 2021 in St. Patrick's Church at **11.00 am**

**St. Canice's:** 5<sup>th</sup> June 2021 in St. Patrick's Church at **11.00 am.**

**St. Matthew's:** 5<sup>th</sup> June 2021 in St. Patrick's Church at **2.00 pm.**

**St. John's:** 12<sup>th</sup> June 2021 in St. Patrick's Church at **10.00 am.**

#### CONFIRMATION DATES WITH BISHOP EAMON WALSH

**St. Canice's:** 19<sup>th</sup> June 2021 in St. Patrick's at **11.00 am.**

**St. John's:** 19<sup>th</sup> June 2021 in St. Patrick's at **2.00 pm**

**St. Matthew's:** 19<sup>th</sup> June 2021 in St. Patrick's at **2.00 pm.**

**St. Mary's:** 19<sup>th</sup> June 2021 in St. Patrick's at **2.00 pm.**

**Gaelскоil:** 20<sup>th</sup> June 2021 in Imm. Conception at **11.00 am.**

**ONLY 4 PEOPLE INCLUDING CHILD AT ALL CEREMONIES.**

#### KEVIN LYNCH H. C.

*Lotto No's: 6, 24, 25 & 27. Lucky Dip: Gareth Feeney. Jackpot £3,025.*

#### BENEDY CENTRE

CSR One Day course on Sat. 15<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup> May. Contact Mary on 777 43737 or 0784 330 5959 to secure your place.

#### IN NEED OF A HOME IN GORTNAGHEY

We are currently examining the need and potential for new social housing in the area. You can register your interest by completing the online form. Or you can contact our Rural & Regeneration unit on Tel: 028 9598 2502. Email rural.housing@nihe.gov.uk By registering your interest, we will be able to assess the level of housing need in the area.

**Join Pope Francis in the Rosary Marathon for an End to COVID-19**  
*The Rosary Marathon will be taking place in shrines across the world this May.*

Pope Francis has requested that the Church comes together to pray the rosary every day throughout May for an end to the pandemic. The Pope will be joining 30 shrines across the world throughout the month of May, with a different intention to be prayed for each day. The marathon begins this Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> May, at the shrine of the Basilica of Our Lady of Walsingham in Norfolk.

In response to the Holy Father's heartfelt wish, the month of May will be dedicated to a "marathon" of prayer, to ask for the end of the pandemic, which has afflicted the world for more than a year now, and to ask for the resumption of social and work activities. Pope Francis wishes to involve all the Shrines around the world in this initiative, so that they may become vehicles of the prayer of the entire Church. The initiative is being conducted in the light of the biblical expression: **"Prayer by the Church was fervently being made to God"** (Acts 12:5).

The Holy Father will open and close the prayer, along with the faithful around the world, from two significant locations within the Vatican City State. On May 1<sup>st</sup>, Pope Francis will pray at Our Lady of Succor (*or Our Lady of Help*), an icon venerated as early as the seventh century. **People are invited to join Pope Francis and the world each morning in our church at 9.30 am. (8.30 am. on Sundays) when this rosary and special prayers for and an end to the Pandemic will be recited. This will start after the vigil Mass on Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> May.**