

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.

FIRST ANNIVERSARY MASS

For Catherine Mooney on Mon. 10th 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: Erin Grace Kelly, Glenroe Park.

BAPTISMS - Will take place in St. Patrick's Church on the following dates: **May: Sat. 22nd. June: Sun. 6th, Sat. 12th & 26th.** (Sun. at 12.15 pm. and 4.30 pm. on a Sat.) *Drumsum & 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: £2,528

Thank you to all who contributed.

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

DEATHS – We extend our sympathy to the Mullan family circle on the death of Breige Jeffery née Mullan, formerly of Drumsum. May she rest in peace.

FR. MICHAEL MULLAN

Bishop Donal will celebrate Mass for the late Fr. Michael Mullan in St. Matthew's Church on Thursday 13th May at 7.30 pm. *Limited to 60 people.* Watch on line at <https://www.facebook.com/Mclaughlinfuneraldirectors/>

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.

INVITATION TO RESPOND - DIOCESE OF DERRY ENVIRONMENTAL STRATEGY

The Diocese of Derry has launched a consultative plan about climate change and the environment and is inviting everyone within the Diocese to read, engage and respond to it.

A draft of the Environmental Strategy has been posted on the Derry Diocesan website, to view and/or download: <https://www.derrydiocese.org/diocese/environmental-strategy>.

SUBMISSION DEADLINE: Monday, 31 May 2021 Submit your comments, questions and suggestions to Patricia McCormack by: Email: laudatosiderry@gmail.com Tel/text: 077 1190 0420 Facebook: Laudatosiderry

CELEBRATING MARY IN THE MONTH OF MAY.

Diocesan resources are available online at catecheticalcentre.org/category/celebrating-mary-in-the-month-of-may-2021/

HOLY SPIRIT NOVENA

BEGINS FRIDAY 14TH MAY

ENDS ON VIGIL OF PENTECOST 22ND MAY

We can know that God is willing to have a personal relationship with us and to give us a new life only because he has told us so. He made many promises to us, and we can rely on the promises of God. He has all power in heaven and on earth, and he does not lie. He can do what he says and he will. But he will not force these things on us. We have to believe what he says and receive from him what he wants to give. In St. John's Gospel Jesus promises to send the Holy Spirit after he returns to the Father. He promised that the Spirit would bring us new life and teach us about God.

God's gift of new life with him is free, absolutely free. We cannot earn it or deserve it in any way. Yet, we have to receive what he is offering. We have to come to him and reach out to him.

For the next 9 days you are asked to pray together as a family the following novena.

God promises in the words of scripture below that if we turn to him and reach out for what he has to offer, he will give it to us.

Every day you are asked to pray for ten minutes. Begin with the prayer to the Holy Spirit.....

Come Holy Spirit fill the hearts of the faithful and enkindle in them the fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created and you shall renew the face of the earth. O God who by the light of the Holy Spirit did instruct the hearts of the faithful. Grant that by the same Spirit we may be truly wise and ever rejoice in his consolation through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Read the passage and then spend 5 - 10 minutes in silence listening to God in your heart. Then conclude your prayer by saying the Our Father, Hail Mary, and Glory Be.

DAY 1 (Friday) Come Holy Spirit.....

God is not someone who lives far away in a place you can never reach. Nor is he a heavenly warden, eager to punish you for doing wrong. He is a father who loves you. He says to you: "I have loved you with an everlasting love, so I am constant in my affection for you".

Silent Prayer: Our Father, Hail Mary, and Glory Be.

DAY 2 Come Holy Spirit.....

You can know God and know how much he loves you. He wants to be in a personal relationship with you. He wants you to be his son or daughter. He does not want there to be any barrier or distance between you and him. He promised through the prophet Jeremiah: "I will be their God and they shall be my people. There will be no further need for neighbour to try to teach neighbour, or brother to say to brother, 'Learn to know the Lord' No, they will all know me, the least no less than the greatest - it is the Lord who speaks - since I will forgive their iniquity and never call their sin to mind".

Silent Prayer: Our Father, Hail Mary, and Glory Be.

To be continued in next weeks bulletin.

MARY'S MEALS – PRAY IN MAY - Prayer resources and further info can be found at www.marysmeals.org.uk/prayinmay

BENEDY CENTRE - CSR One Day course on Sat. 15th & 29th May. Contact Mary on 777 43737 or 0784 330 5959.

KEVIN LYNCH H. C.

Lotto No's: 3, 14, 19 & 23. Lucky Dip: Breda Cassidy. Jackpot £3,050.