6th February 2022 **Dungiven Parish Bulletin** No 1620 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.

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SUNDAY MASS TIMES

St. Patrick's: Sat. Vigil 6.00 pm. Sun. 9.00 am. & 11.30 am.

St. Matthew's (St. Peter's Hall):

Sun. 10.15 am.

Imm. Conception: Sat. 7.15 pm.

WEEKDAY MASSES: ST. PATRICK'S:

Monday - Friday 10.00 am.

No 10.00 am. Mass on Sat. 12th Feb.

St. Matthew's: (St. Peter's Hall)

Tues. & Thurs. 9.15 am.

Immaculate Conception:

Mon. & Wed 9.15 am.

CONFESSIONS - St. Patrick's: Sat 5.15 - 5.50 pm. *No morning confessions Sat.* 12th Feb.

THE ROSARY - Monday - Friday at 9.35 am. in St. Patrick's Church.

BAPTISMS: Children must have One Godparent who is over 16 years of age and a practicing Catholic. Normally people have Two Godparents, but they must be one male and one female.

BAPTISMS - Will take place in St. Patrick's Church on the following dates: Feb. Sun. Sat. 19th & 26th Please Note! – From the beginning of April Baptisms will take place on first Sunday of the month and the three following Saturdays.

(Sun. at 12.15 pm. and 4.30 pm. on a Sat.) Drumsurn & Gortnaghey by arrangement, contact the parish office.

- Two weeks notice must be given.
- Only 25 persons (including children) per family in the church.
- A list of names and contact numbers for all attending, must be handed into the parish office prior to the baptism.

WEDDING BELLS - We congratulate Camille McNicholl & Thomas McGlone on the occasion of their marriage on the 28th January. Also Naomi Bill & Ryan Quigg on the occasion of their marriage on the 28th January.

T DEATHS – We extend our sympathy to the Mulgrew family circle on the death of Susan Mulgrew, Beech Road, Drumsurn. May she rest in peace.

OPENING UP OF SEATING IN THE CHAPEL – We have removed the long rope (in St. Patrick's) in the middle aisle to allow more people into the chapel with one-meter distance. We would hope to remove all ropes from the beginning of March. Please remember to keep wearing your mask and keep your distance by following the markings on the floor on going to Holy Communion and leaving the chapel. Thank you

PARISH OFFICE - All notices for the bulletin must be in by 12 noon on a Wed.

The parish office will be closed Friday of this week.

LAST SUNDAY'S COLLECTION: £1,543
Thank you to all who contributed

SCRIPTURE MEDITATION - Every Monday at 7.00 pm. via the webcam.

KEVIN LYNCH H. C. - Lotto No's: 6, 10, 15 & 25. Lucky Dip: Bernie & Dermot McLaughlin. Jackpot £4,025.

ST. CANICE'S G.A.C. - Club Mass for the Deceased on Fri. 11th Feb. @ 7.30 pm.

S.V.P. CONFIDENTIAL HELPLINE: 079 2792 9923.

LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINARS FOR YOUNG ADULTS

We are hoping to have Life in the Spirit Seminars during the Holy Season of Lent. These will take place in the parish conference room (Covid Permitting?). On Tuesday evenings at 7.30 pm. beginning on the first Tuesday after Ash Wednesday. (8th March). We will be limited in numbers and it will be only for people who are over 18 and under 50 and have not done the Seminars before.

The Seminars will last for 7 weeks leading us into the feast of Pentecost.

Registration is essential and names will be taken on a first come basis.

If you are interested contact the parish office by phone or email.

Basic truths you will learn about in the Seminars

- 1. God loves you and wants you to live a fully happy life. Jesus said I came that they might have life and have it abundantly (Jn 10:10)
- 2. Man is sinful and separated from God and therefore he cannot know God's love and share in God's life with others. Sin involves indifference to God.
- 3. Jesus Christ is the only one who can give you power to live this life. Through him you can know God's love and share in God's life with others. God so loved the world that he sent his only son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. (Jn 3:16) God enters our world in the Man Jesus. I am the way the truth and the life: no man comes to the Father but through me (Jn 14:6).
- 4. Accepting Jesus into your life. This is more than just believing. The Gift of the Spirit in all four Gospels John the Baptism says of Jesus. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit MK 1:8

Jesus promised the Holy Spirit to his followers. Jn 16:12-13. Acts 1:5The power of the Spirit was evident in the early Church. Pentecost. The promise fulfilled Acts 2:4.

BENEDY CENTRE - CSR One Day Course on Sat. 12th Feb. Tel: 028 777 43737 or 0784 330 5959 to secure your place.

FR. JOSEPH DEPARTURE

It is with sadness that we say farewell to Fr. Joseph, he is leaving our parish at the end of February.

You will have a few weeks to say your goodbye to him.

As most of you are aware Fr. Joseph came to our Diocese 12 years ago to work in a Parish and to do further studies for his Doctorate.

Now that his studies are complete his Bishop has called him back to England, where he will be working in Middlesbrough, St. Mary's Cathedral Parish, which is near Newcastle. There he will be working in the parish and lecturing in Theology, mainly for the Indian Syro Malabar community.

We will be very sorry to see him go.

Fr. Joseph came to this Parish over 5 years ago. Fr. Seamus and Fr. Joseph got on really well together and had a great working relationship. He was always ready to do whatever was asked of him.

We wish to thank him for all the excellent work and his commitment in our parish.

We wish him every success in his new parish and pray God's blessing in his ministry.

PILGRIMAGE - To Benevento, San Giovanni & Sorrento for seven nights (flying from Dublin to Naples, half-board £995) from 5th July 2022, visiting St. Pio's birthplace and tomb and Archangel Michael's caves as well as a guided tour of Pompeii. For more information, please contact Spiritual Director, Fr. Micheál McGavigan on 028 777 81223 or Joe Walsh Tours on 00353 1 241 0800.

At the Parish Pastoral Council meeting on Wednesday 2nd Feb, '22 the following issues were raised: - Gathering parishioners' views on forthcoming Synod, Proposed changes to Mass times and frequency in light of Fr. Joseph's reassignment and Preparations for celebrating Fr. Seamus's Golden Jubilee. These issues will be addressed over coming weeks.

HEARING AID CLINIC - Tuesday 8th February at 12 noon in Hands That Talk Hub.