

22nd January 2023 **Dungiven Parish Bulletin** No 1670
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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: Sun. 10.15 am.

Imm. Conception: Sat. 4.30 pm.

WEEKDAY MASSES

St. Patrick’s: Mon. – Thurs. 10.00 am.

ST. MATTHEW’S

Mass on Thursday at 9.15 am.

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Mass on Wednesday at 9.15 am.

FIRST ANNIVERSARY MASS

For Liz and Tishy McCloskey on Monday 23rd Jan. at 7.30 pm. in St. Patrick’s.

BAPTISM – *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: **February: 4th at 3.00 pm. 11th & 18th at 4.30 pm.** *Two weeks notice must be given for all Baptism bookings.*

The Baptism Course will take place twice a month. Anyone booking a Baptism will be required to attend the course before their Baptism can take place. Places must be booked through the Parish Office. **The next course will be on Wed. 25th Jan. at 7.30 pm.**

THE ROSARY: Monday – Thursday at 9.35 am. in St. Patrick’s.

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY: 18TH – 25TH JANUARY.

Do good, seek justice.

LAST WEEK’S COLLECTION: £2,200

Thank you to all who contributed

MEDJUGORJE PRAYER MEETING

The next meeting will take place on Tuesday 24th Jan. at 7.00 pm.

ST. CANICE’S PRAYER GROUP - Meets each Thursday in the conference room at 7.00 pm. We invite anyone who wishes to deepen their faith through shared Scripture, Prayer and Praise.

FR. SEAMUS’ HOME/SICK VISITS

The Sick and those confined to their homes will be visited as follows:

Mon. 23rd Jan. from 10.30 am. – Mitchel Park, Priory Road, Gortnagross Road, Gortnarney Road, Beech Road, Drumsurn & Drumsurn Road, Gelvin Road & Legavallon Road.

Tues. 24th Jan. from 10.30 am. – Glenshane Road, Abbeyfields, Glenroe Park, O’Cathain’s Place, Curragh Road, Pellipar Park, Lackagh Park & Railway Lane.

Fr. Joseph will cover the sick in the other areas when he returns.

VOCATIONS PRAYER

In today’s gospel Jesus calls Simon Peter, Andrew, James and John to follow Him. We pray for those the Lord is calling today to follow Him and serve the Church as priests, deacons, religious or in consecrated life, that they will have the willingness and the courage of the first disciples.

Anyone interested in serving the Church as a priest of the diocese of Derry should contact the diocesan Vocations Director, Fr. Pat O’Hagan, P.P. Bellaghy and Greenlough, at (028) 7938 6259 or at pgoh2111@gmail.com

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BISHOP DONAL PASTORAL LETTER

Excerpts Week 2

It is very clear that, like much of Europe, the Diocese of Derry faces many difficulties.

1. The model of Church that seemed so confident 50 years ago is no longer marked by large numbers at Mass. Where smaller numbers attend Mass, there is a lesser chance of bringing people to know and love Jesus, of numerous vocations to priesthood and religious life.
2. The scandal of abuse and cover-ups from the past have damaged our ability to speak about Jesus with moral authority.
3. To a large extent we have failed to proclaim the Gospel of Jesus to young people.
4. We face a secular culture, which has little time for faith communities. Along with other Christian churches, we know that the problem in the future will not be religious difference so much as religious indifference.

Our society is stalked by fears of poverty, war in Europe and a climate emergency.

SAFEGUARDING NOTICE

If you have any concerns with regard to safeguarding children or adults in need of protection within the Church please contact Marie Gormley, the Diocesan Designated Liaison Person (DLP) at 075 9650 0793, or at mariegormley@derrydiocese.org

Additional contact numbers: Northern Ireland PSNI Tel: 101 or Social Services Western HSC Trust Tel: 028 7131 4090 (Ask for Duty Social Worker)

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK 2023

Catholic Schools Week 2023 begins on 29th January and continues until 4th February in the Diocese of Derry. The theme for this year is ‘**Catholic Schools: Walking Together in Faith and Love**’ During Catholic Schools Week families, parishes and schools are invited to participate in a week of celebration of Catholic schools, reflecting on their contribution to the common good of society. To launch Catholic Schools Week in our diocese, the Eucharist will be celebrated by Bishop McKeown in St. Eugene’s Cathedral, Derry on **Thursday 26th January at 10.00 am.**

CARMELITE RETREAT CENTRE TERMONBACCA

Silent Retreat for Men and Women. Fri. 10th - Sun. 12th Feb. Cost £90.

Lenten Retreat for Ladies, conducted by the Apostles of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Fri. 24th - Sun. 26th Feb. Cost £90.

For information and bookings, contact Termonbacca. Tel: 7126 2512.

HAND THAT TALK

Free Level 1 Sign Language accredited course in partnership with H.T.T. Limited places – first come first served basis. This course is open to people and families over age of 16, preferable with Deaf connections. Expected start date Tues. 7th Feb, and every Tues. there after, some Saturdays as well. Finishing end of June. £50 deposit secures – refundable on completion of the course. Contact: Martin or Ann at H.T.T. email: info@handsthattalk.co.uk Tel: 028 777 42776 or mobile 079 121 0803.

KEVIN LYNCH H. C. - Lotto no’s 6, 13, 20 & 21. Lucky dip: Vinny Toner. Jackpot: £5,225.

WHIST DRIVE - In St. Peter’s Hall, Drumsurn, Sunday 22nd Jan. at 7.30 pm.

