6th August 2023 **Dungiven Parish Bulletin** No 1698 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. Fr. Paddy Doherty (Maghera) Tel: 79642496

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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 MASS TIMES St. Patrick's: Mon. - Fri. 10.00 am.

Saturday: No 10.00 am. Mass. St. Matthew's:

Tuesday & Thursday 9.15 am.

Immaculate Conception: Monday & Wednesday 9.15 am.

MONTHS MIND MASSES

For Josephine Nagle on Friday 11th August at 7.30 pm. in St. Patrick's. For Mary Cecelia Henry on Sunday 13th August at 11.30 am. in St. Patrick's.

FIRST ANNIVERSARY MASS

For Brian Haran on Sat. 12th August at 6.00 pm. in St. Patrick's.

CONFESSIONS

St. Patrick's: on Sat. 5.30 - 5.45 pm.

THE ROSARY

Mon. - Fri. at 9.35 am. in St. Patrick's.

ST. CANICE'S PRAYER GROUP

Meeting every Thursday in the conference room at 7.00 pm.

VOCATIONS

For those called to proclaim the Transfigured Christ, the Beloved Son of God, that they will "Listen to Him" as He speaks to their hearts, calling them to serve as priests of the diocese of Derry.

LAST WEEKS COLLECTION: £1.895 Thank you to all who contributed.

S.V.P. HELPLINE 079 2792 9923

BAPTISM – We welcome into our Christian Community: Jessica Lilv McNamee, Kevin Lynch Park, Faye Meghan McCloskey, Church View, Drumsurn and Luke Bryan McCartney, Drumrane Road.

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: August: 19th. September: 2nd, 16th & 23rd. October: 7th, 14th & 28th. Baptisms will take place at 3.00 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 Monday 7th August at 7.30 pm. in the parish centre, committee room.

Mass will be celebrated at the Mass Rock in Glenshane Forest on Sunday 20th Aug. at 2.00 pm. Further details later.

T DEATHS – We extend our sympathy to the Feeney family circle on the death of Gabrielle Feeney, Mill Road, Drumsurn, also to the Kinley family circle on the death of George Kinley, Railway Lane. May they rest in peace.

BENEDY CENTRE - CSR One Day course on Sat. 12th August. Contact Gabriel: 079 8976 2471 to secure your place.

BLESSING OF NEW ICON IN **GORTNAGHEY**

Bishop Donal will come to celebrate a special Mass on the Feast of the Assumption of our Lady into Heaven. This will take place on Tuesday 15th August at 8.00 pm. in Church of the Immaculate Conception in Gortnaghey. At the end of the Mass our Bishop will bless a beautiful Stained Glass Icon of our Lady on the outside wall of our Church. Everyone is invited to join in this special Mass in honour of the Mother of God.

NATIONAL NOVENA AT KNOCK SHRINE 14TH – 22ND AUGUST.

Daily Ceremonies 3.00 pm. & 8.00 pm. (Anointing of the Sick at 2.30pm)

The National Novena to Our Lady of Knock offers you the opportunity to step away from everyday life and immerse yourself in prayer in the beautiful, peaceful grounds of Knock Shrine.

Over the course of the nine-day Novena, we will hear from guest speakers each day who will offer insights on a variety of topics, from personal faith stories, to how we are responding to a changing world. You are invited to take this time to reflect and explore within vourself on how to embrace the challenges we face in our faith. Our theme for this year is 'Caring for Creation'. Workshops will take place at 12 noon and daily walking tours (organised by Knock Museum) will take place at 10.30 am. throughout the Novena. The Family Day will take place on Sunday 20th August from 11.00 am. - 3.00 pm. See the full programme at www.knockshrine.ie

THE NET - JULY/AUGUST 2023

Sharing the fruits of the faith in the Derry Diocese, the combined July/August edition of 'The Net' is available in the church porches.

KEVIN LYNCH H.C.

Lotto no's: 11, 12, 22 & 30. Lucky dip: Brenda McNicholl. Jackpot: £5,900.

WHIST DRIVE - In St. Peter's Hall, Drumsurn. Sun. 6th Aug. at 7.30 pm.

'BUILDING PARISH LIFE'

Talk by Mr. David Wells in St Columb's College, Buncrana Road, Derry: Tuesday 29th August, from 7.00 - 8.30 pm. An international speaker and author, David Wells has worked with parishes and dioceses internationally, encouraging and inspiring people to share the Joy of the Gospel, through the lens of building parish life. He invites us to be witnesses to the Gospel and to encourage others on their journey of faith, in the context of taking up opportunities, ministries and responsibilities at local parish level. This is a free event. Booking not required. You are invited to attend this Talk, to be inspired and equipped for the work of building parish and discerning the way forward in changing times in our parishes. For more information on the event, contact Tony Brennan, Diocesan Pastoral Development Coordinator, on 028 7126 2302 or email

tony.brennan@derrydiocese.org

PRAYER St. Louis and Zélie Martin

Our Father, through the loving intercession of Sts Louis and Zélie Martin, parents of St. Thérése, I ask for protection against all senile dementia and Alzheimer's disease. Heavenly Father, God almighty, Your presence brings healing, wholeness and holiness. I ask You to heal those who are taken from families through their mental deterioration. You make all things new (Rev. 21:5): You created us because You love us. Do not abandon us in the Autumn of our years when we are getting to know You better and only wish to pass on this wisdom to the children and grandchildren. Look on us with pity, we who are parents; from You, Father, all parenthood comes. Bless us always with sound mental health. You say, "My faithful love will never leave you'