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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 9.15 am. *Please note! No Mass on Thursday.*

Imm. Conception: Monday 9.15 am. *Please note! No Mass on Wednesday*

FIRST ANNIVERSARY MASSES

For Albert Daly on Sat. 23rd Sept. at 4.30 pm. in the Immaculate Conception. For Jane Kilgallen (née O'Kane) on Sun. 24th Sept at 11.30 am. in St. Patrick's.

CONFESSIONS

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

THE ROSARY

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

LAST WEEKS COLLECTION: £2,725.

Includes a donation of £150
YOUTH COLLECTION: £981

Thank you to all who contributed.

WHIST DRIVE - In St. Peter's Hall, Drumsurn, Sunday 17th Sept. at 7.30 pm.

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: October: 7th, 14th & 28th. Baptisms will take place at 3.00 pm. Two weeks notice must be given for all Baptism bookings.

<u>The Baptism Course</u> 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. 20th Sept. at 7.30 pm. in the parish centre, committee room.

TDEATHS - We extend our sympathy to the Doran family circle on the death of Seamus Doran, Main Street. May he rest in peace.

VOCATIONS - For the three priests ordained for the diocese this year, for our three seminarians, for the four men applying to begin their formal studies this year, for all those currently discerning their vocation, and for those accompanying them, that they will know and preach the message of the response to today's psalm: "The Lord is compassion and love, slow to anger, and rich in mercy."

LETS CHANGE TOMORROW - Charity Walk to Banagher Dam today Sun. 17th Sept. at 2.00 pm. Meeting point Banagher Dam Car Park (via Magheramore Rd). Shuttle service available from Dungiven Main St. car park from 1.00 pm. *Proceeds for the Moroccan Earthquake relief.* For anyone not walking, we will be taking a financial collection from Glenshane House, Main St., from 1.00 – 5.00 pm. also on Sun. 17th Sept.

LEGION OF MARY BUS TO KNOCK - The bus will leave Glen Chapel, Maghera at 7.00 am. on Sun. 24th Sept. £20 fare will be collected as you get on the bus. Bring a packed lunch. Toilet stop in Bundoran on the way down and again on the way home. A meal can be had in the Holyrood hotel or in local cafes. If you have any symptoms of Covid, please don't travel.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY CONFIRMATION 2024

Saturday 13th April at 11.00 am. by *Bishop Donal McKeown* Gaelscoil Neachtain at 3.00 pm. by *Bishop Donal McKeown*

FIRST COMMUNION DATES 2024

Saturday 4th May at 11.00 am. -

St. John's P.S.

Saturday 18th May at 11.00 am. - St. Canice's P.S.

Saturday 18th May at 11.00 am - **St. Matthew's P.S.**

Saturday 25th May at 11.00 am. - **St. Mary's P.S.**

Saturday 25th May at 11.00 am. - Gaelscoil Neachtain.

BENEDY CHARITY TRACTOR RUN & FAMILY FUN DAY – Held on Sat. 26th Aug. The Community Assoc. are extremely grateful to all the tractor drivers who took part, for all the generous donations received and to all those who gave prizes for the draw. The proceeds are in aid of the N. W. Cancer Centre, Dementia N.I. and Benedy Comm. Assoc. The day was a great success and thanks is due to all the volunteers for organising this event, all who helped out on the day and to all who attended.

Benedy Sheep Dog Trials – At Corick Rd., on the land of Michael McCloskey (Vicky). "Open & Intermediate" on Sun. 24th Sept. at 8.00 am. All welcome.

Benbradagh Club – Wed. 20th Sept. at 8.30 pm. Music by Wee Tom. Adm. £6.

COFFEE MORNING – For Macmillan Cancer Support, on Sat. 23rd Sept. from 10.00 am. – 1.00 pm. in Gortnaghey Community Centre. Come along and bring a friend.

KEVIN LYNCH H.C. - Lotto no's: 3, 8, 11 & 16. Lucky dip: Thelma McCloskey. Jackpot: £6,125.

MENOPAUSE EVENT - In Roe Valley Arts and Cultural Centre, Limavady, on 20th September from 7.00 - 9.00 pm. Tickets for this **free event** are available from www.eventbrite.co.uk.

St. Patrick's Church, Dungiven Proposed Extensions and Alterations

- 1. Tenders for the works to extend the parish room and other facilities have been obtained and processed. The lowest tender received has been accepted and a contract signed with that tenderer, J.F.C. Construction Ltd of Greysteel and Campsie.
- 2. Works are to commence on 25th September 2023 and complete in early August 2024.
- 3. The works will extend and enlarge the parish room located adjacent to the car park to the south side of the church buildings, and provide new kitchen/catering facilities, upgrade toilets, provide new entrance porches
- New heating plant. Associated site works will include appropriate adjustment to access paths to and from the adjacent graveyard and car parking.
- 5. Entrance to the church from the car park will be only available on the lower side next the road until the work is completed.
- 6. Entrance to the new cemetery will only be available from the Lower Gate until work is completed.
- 7. The Conference rooms will not be available for meetings of Teas until the work is completed.
- 8. Parking will be restricted during the week but we should have parking available on Saturdays and Sundays.
- 9. All funerals during the week will be at 10.00.am.