

#### MASSES

**Saturday Vigil** 6.00pm

**Sunday** 9.30am 11.00am, 12.30pm

**Weekdays** Mon. Wed. Friday **10.00am**,  
Tuesday & Thursday **7.15pm**

**Exposition of Blessed Sacrament**  
every Tuesday 10.30am-7.15pm

#### CONFESSIONS

Friday: 10.30am

Saturday 5.30pm-6.00pm

Tuesday and Thursday :before or  
after evening Mass

#### BAPTISM COURSES

1st & 3rd Thurs of the month 8pm

**BAPTISMS:** 1st and 3rd Saturday  
of the month at 7.00pm

**MARRIAGES** Three months notice

Parochial House 71267070

Email:office@holyfamily-parish.com

Web www.holyfamily-parish.com

Parish Sisters 71260398

Holy Family School 71267798

St. Eithne's School 71377077

#### PARISH GROUPS

**11am Choir** practices Tuesday at  
7.45 . New members welcome

**Scripture Group** Thurs 7.45pm

New members always welcome!

**A.A** .Fridays and Sundays at 8.00pm  
in Upper Room.

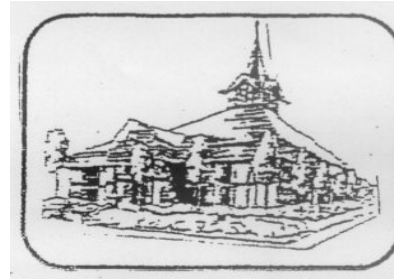
Everybody needs a home team- the people you call when you get a flat tyre or when something terrible happens out of the blue.

The people who, near or far, know everything that's wrong with you and love you anyway.

These are the ones who will tell you their secrets, who get themselves a glass of water without asking when they're at your house; these are the people who cry when you cry.

These are your people, your middle-of-the-night, no-matter –what people.

We all need them



## HOLY FAMILY CHURCH

Sun 1st Sept. 2019 Vol. 37 No 35

### HUMANITY

One of the most noticeable new changes to the Irish landscape in the last few years has been the introduction of wind turbines on many hilltops throughout the country. At heights reaching over 80 meters, many are placed on exposed, elevated heights, so they need really good foundations to make sure they stay standing. Sometimes a wind turbine needs a foundation as deep as it is tall, so it is a metaphor for the importance of having a good foundation and being well rooted, especially when we reach for the heights. Today's readings are about humility. Humility means to be well rooted to be grounded in the truth of who we are, where we come from and the heights of holiness and selfless love to which we are called to ascend. Humility gives a good foundation in whatever path we choose to follow in life. Jesus tells his disciples to make their way to the lowest place and to be happy to associate with the poor.

Similar to wind turbine's need for deep foundations, we can listen to the advice of St. Augustine who wrote '*Do you wish to rise? Begin by descending. You plan a tower that will pierce the clouds? Lay first the foundation of humility.*

**SYMPATHY** We offer our sympathy to the families of Hugh Porter North Meadows and Michael McCusker, St. Eithne's Park who died during the week. May they rest in peace.

**FIRST FRIDAY** Friday is the first Friday of September, The sick will be visited. They will be contacted by phone.

#### **ANNIVERSARIES**

Grace Marley, Joe Kelly, Mamie & Tony Redden, John Doherty

**SUNDAY COLLECTION** 25th August £1873.25 and €119.43 Standing Orders £375

**ADULT CHOIR** which sings a 11am Mass on Sundays resume practices on Tuesday 3rd Sept at 7.45pm in the church.. New members welcome.

**FAITH FORMATION** Back by popular demand short meditation, tea/coffee, craic and discussion - every Thursday in the Church starting on Thursday 5th Sept. 7.45pm to 9 15pm. All welcome

**DERRY DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK Saturday 28 September**, led by Bishop Donal McKeown. Buses will travel, with a variety of pick-up points. Contact: Fr Patrick Lagan for further detail, tel 71262894 or email: steugenes@btconnect.com,

**MARIAN DEVOTIONS** will take place in Termonbacca, on Tuesday 3rd September at 7.30 p.m.

**COASTAL ROSARY FOR LIFE, FAITH AND LOVE:** Join in with thousands of people all around Ireland, as we gather on our coasts, near rivers, in our churches, at grottos etc. to pray the Rosary for Life, Faith and Love on Sunday October 13<sup>th</sup> at 2.30pm. To register a location please visit [www.coastalrosaryireland.ie](http://www.coastalrosaryireland.ie) or text/call 087 278 6552

**THORNHILL MINISTRIES, 121 Culmore Road, 'Season of Creation' - 1 September to 4 October** Thornhill Ministries will host a Monday Prayer with focus on nature's resources as gift. Five consecutive Mondays beginning 2nd September 10:30 am for 15/20 minutes.

**Coffee & Clobber Morning** On Tuesday 10 September, Thornhill Ministries will hold a fundraising activity as part of our ongoing efforts to help clothe children and adults in the developing world. Bring us your used clothes between 10:30 am and 12:00 noon and we will provide you with a cuppa and tray bake as a thank you for your generosity. Material, bedding and towelling also welcome. Donations always welcome! For more information, please phone 71351233 email [thornhillministries@derrydiocese.org](mailto:thornhillministries@derrydiocese.org) or

**March For Their Lives:** Please join us for this **CRUCIAL MARCH** at Custom House Square, Belfast, on **September 7th at 2.00pm**, to show our politicians that abortion is **NOT IN OUR NAME!** Mass will be celebrated at **St Patrick's Chapel, Donegal Street, at 1pm**. Coaches will be leaving from all over Ireland. For more info please contact **Precious Life** on **9027 8484** or email [info@preciouslife.com](mailto:info@preciouslife.com)

**Nivoicless** Silent protest about planned liberalisation of abortion Friday 6th September at 7pm. Stormont Estate.

**TRADITIONAL IRISH MUSIC CLASSES:** Interested in playing the tin whistle, flute fiddle, guitar, banjo, mandolin, accordion? Interested in ceili dancing? CCE Baile na gCailleach host music and dance classes for all ages and abilities. Come to our registration evening Monday 9<sup>th</sup> September, 7.00pm-9.00pm: Studio 2, 2-3, Foyle Business Park, Skeoge Industrial Est 4 Beraghmore Road, Tel 71358750. E: [siobhanmolloy91@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:siobhanmolloy91@hotmail.co.uk)

**FRIENDS OF ST BRIGID'S FUN DAY** on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> September at St Brigid's College from 2 – 5 pm. Arts & Crafts, Vintage Tea Party, Kitz Farm, Casey's Creatures, Play Bus, Sensory Room and many more events All welcome

**GAMBLERS ANONYMOUS:** Is gambling affecting your life? Perhaps we can help. Tel: 028 7135 1329.

**SAFEGUARDING** Any concerns in regard to Safeguarding children or adults in need of protection within the Church contact: Noel O'Donnell, Diocesan Pastoral Centre,, 71362475, mobile 07596500793 or Celine McKenna, Diocesan Pastoral Centre, 71362475, mobile 07707311358 PSNI ( 101) or Social Services: Gateway Team 71314090,

**Coffee Morning Month'. October is Hospice Aware Month** This year we are asking our community to 'Make their cuppa count' and host a Coffee Morning or Afternoon Tea in aid of Foyle Hospice.

**Eye testing for the housebound** Local opticians Douglas & Cobane offer a FREE home visiting service for the housebound in the community. They also provide specialist eye testing for those with Autism and learning disabilities. . To make an appointment please visit the practice at 46 Spencer Road, or tele71 343803

**CULLEN SCHOOL IF IRISH DANCING** Beginners classes resume on Monday 2nd Sept at 5pm and Thurs 5th at 4pm. In Shantallow Community Centre. For further details tel 71264548