

MASSES

Saturday Vigil 6.00pm
Sunday 9.30am 11.00am, 12.30pm
Weekdays 10.00am, 7.15pm

Exposition of Blessed Sacrament

Every Tuesday 10.30am-7.15pm

CONFESSIONS

Saturday 10.30am, and before
evening Mass
Weekdays after evening Mass

BAPTISM COURSES

1st & 3rd Wednesdays of the month at
8pm

BAPTISMS: One month's notice

Every Saturday at 7.00pm

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PARISH GROUPS

Thurs 7.45pm Scripture Group

New members always welcome!

THE CIRCLE AROUND MY LIFE

Much of our lives is spent in keeping people out.

Of course there are times when we need to be alone.

Yet there is a sense in which our size as human beings can be measured by the circles we draw to take other people in; the smaller the circle, the smaller the person.

A strong person isn't afraid of people who are different.

A wise person welcomes them.

By shutting other people out we deny ourselves the riches of other people's experience.

We starve our minds, and harden our hearts.

In the beginning God gave the earth its shape. He made it round. He included everybody. So should we.



HOLY FAMILY CHURCH

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On the Feast of the SACRED HEART just past, I had a school Mass when I introduced a new award this year into the prize giving. It is for those in the p7 leaving class and awarded, not for mental genius or athletic prowess, feats performed by the "head" or "feet" I said, but coming from the "heart," It will be called *The HOLY FAMILY KINDNESS AWARD*. The winner is chosen from nominations by the pupils themselves.



I have also borrowed an idea from The States and introduced a "buddy bench" in the school playgrounds. If a child is feeling lonely or down for any reason he/she goes and sits there and another child goes and sits beside him/her to offer support. It is the heart that counts. I tell the pupils there are three rules in life. The first is "be kind hearted". The second is "be kind hearted" and the third is "be kind hearted."

We congratulate the winners of this year's Kindness Award. In St.. Eithne's School it was Ben Kerr and there was a tie in Holy Family School with Sarah Devlin and Amy McCauley, joint winners. They get some pocket money, a trophy, certificate and a memory that will last a lifetime.

This weekend the Gospel tells us to be hospitable and kind for 'even a cup of water given in my name will not go without its reward' said Jesus.'

SYMPATHY We offer our sympathy to the family of Nuala Walker, Dunraven Park who died during the week. May she rest in peace.

BAPTISM Our parish welcomes Shea Doran Barr's Lane Xara Rebecca Seana O'Doherty Windsor Tce.

FIRST FRIDAY Friday is the first Friday of July. The sick will be attended. There will be a Holy Hour on Thursday from 7.45pm

ANNIVERSARIES

Eithne Gallagher, Alex Harrison, Mary Theodora Lynch, Eilish Davis
Anniversary Masses this coming week:

Mon 7. 15: Ann McColgan
Tues: 7.15 Billy Lindsay

SUNDAY COLLECTION 25th June amounted to £1903.52 and €128.74

St.. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY St.. Eithne's Conference meets every Tuesday in Holy. Family. Tel. 07935524903

DRIVING LICENCES Fr O'Kane cannot counter sign driving licence applications as he has a Donegal Licence and the DVLI does not accept him as a signatory until he gets his northern license renewed next year

MARIAN DEVOTIONS in Terrmonbacca on Tuesday 4th July, beginning at 7.30 p.m. All welcome.

GUIDED PRAYER SESSIONS AT KNOCK SHRINE take place in the Prayer Guidance Centre daily. Mon-Fri: 12 noon; 4.15pm, 8.15pm. Sat & Sun: 12 noon, 5pm, 8.15pm.

KNOCK COUNSELLING CENTRE DROP-IN SERVICE

No appointment necessary. Available Thursday: 10am-5pm, Friday: 2pm-5pm, Saturday & Sunday: 11am-5pm.

Watch Masses online from Knock Shrine The daily 3pm Mass in the Basilica is now being streamed live. www.knockshrine.ie/watch

WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES

In order to volunteer you must complete your volunteer application in full at www.worldmeeting2018.ie/volunteer

All of those who have expressed an interest in helping out and volunteering please fill in the application as soon as possible!

FREE Hearing Aid Support Session

Action on Hearing Loss runs **FREE** hearing aid clinics in Inchview (Habinteg Community Room). The next session will be: Inchview: Wednesday 5th July from 11 am – 12

DERRY DIOCESAN CATECHETICAL CENTRE INVITES applications for the post of Diocesan Youth Coordinator. The main focus of the post will be working with young people, schools and parishes to help them develop their knowledge and understanding of youth ministry in the context of the Catholic Church leading to active youth ministry at parish and diocesan level. Application Form, Job Description and Personal Specification may be obtained by emailing office@derrydiocese.org or by telephoning (028) 71262302 during normal office hours. Completed applications must be returned to: The Director, Derry Diocesan Catechetical Centre, The Gate Lodge, 2 Francis Street, Derry, BT48 7DS not later than 4.00pm on 14th July 2017.

Pope Francis: 'vocations are born in prayer, and only in prayer can they persevere and bear fruit'

The Irish Bishops' *Council for Vocations* has launched a prayer initiative for an increase in vocations to the priesthood and religious life in Ireland. In this centenary of the apparitions of Our Lady of Fatima, parishes, schools and families are invited to pray a decade of the Rosary, for vocations in Ireland, on 13th of each month from May until October

HOLY FAMILY PARISH PILGRIMAGES MEDJUGORJE/BRELA CROATIA

30th August /6th September
€739 Deposit € /£150 Savings scheme on Thursdays 8-9pm in Parochial House.
Tel. Margaret 07732468511

Pilgrimage to San Giovanni

Rotondo 18th September 2017 for 4 nights. 4 nights full board in Hotel Centro di Spiritulita. Spiritual director Fr Daniel Ilhunna M.S.P. fare is €689 If interested please contact JWT 0035312410816 or Marie: 07799112224 or Clare: 07778025587

YOUTH 2000 SUMMER

FESTIVAL, Cistercian College, Roscrea, Co. Tipperary from Thursday 17th – Sunday 20th August For young people aged 16-35, this is a great opportunity to find out what your Catholic faith is all about in a friendly, chilled out atmosphere. The festival is donation only. Free buses available from all around Ireland. For more info and to book online, see www.youth2000.ie or phone 01 6753690

Sean Davis Summer 4 day Outdoor

Fun Soccer Academy takes place at Templemore Sports Complex from Monday 10th July to Thursday 13th July For details Tel. 71263044.