MASSES

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

CONFESSIONS

Saturday 10.30am, and before evening Mass Eve of Holydays & eve of First Fridays:

10.30am. and before evening Mass **BAPTISMS DATES:**

Every Saturday at 7.00pm Parochial House 71267070 Email:office@holyfamilyparish.com

Parish Sisters 71260398 Holy Family School 71267798 St. Eithness School 71377077 www.holyfamily-parish.com

PARISH GROUPS

Tues: 8pm Choir Practice
Wed 8.00pm Adult Education
Thurs 7.45pm Scripture Group
New members welcome!

PRAYER BEFORE EXAMS

Lord, I come before you in need. Exams are approaching and I am worried.

Give me courage to face the coming weeks.

Concentrate my mind on my studies. Help me to use my time well.

May I work hard, but also rest and relax a little.

During each exam, may what I studied appear on the paper.

May I read each question carefully, identify what is asked and answer well.

When the result come may I be satisfied that I did my best.

May whatever path I choose in life being me happiness and give me opportunities to better the world and so build up your kingdom



HOLY FAMILY CHURCH

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EMMAUS

Even though we may never have been to the Holy Land, all of us have been on the road to Emmaus. Some people are very familiar with that road. It represents the road of disappointment, failure, sorrow, grief shattered dreams..

The risen Jesus is with us on this journey, even though we may not recognise him.

He is so close to us that our stories merge

with his. It is only his story that makes sense of ours.

The resurrection of Jesus opens all our stories to the prospect, not just of a good but of a glorious ending,

JESUS: LIFE'S COMPANION

''All though life's day, you walk with us Lord.

But often we don't recognise you, for we are blinded by work and worry, doubt, confusion and fear, and so you remain a stranger to us

Before the day's end we will ask many questions, experience many sorrows and disappointments.

And then, suddenly, whether we are young, middle-aged, or old we will find that evening is approaching.

In that moment we pray, that, like the disciples of the road to Emmaus, our eyes will be opened, and that we will recognise you. And You will not vanish from our sight., but stay with us to guide us to the Father's house."

God always leaves the porch light on

to the family and friends of Jimmy Curran 20 Glenbrea Gdns Frances Saunders, 75 Benview Est. Derek Harkin, Inchview who died during the week. May they Eugeneøs Cathedral rest in peace.

BAPTISMS Our parish welcomes: Caoimhin Joseph Connor Reid 9 Stephenøs Court Shay Charles Boyle 7 Belvedere Park Alana Jacqueline Kineton 81 Rossnagalliagh Park

OFFERTORY PROCESSION 6.00pm Zoe Murphy & Family

12.30pm. Amy Hutton & Family

who is attending a school outside the parish and who would like to carry up the gifts at Mass please leave your determines the number of sick and the name address and telephone number in the Parochial House

Anniversaries We pray for Patrick Walsh, Geraldine Taylor, John Ferguson

SUNDAY COLLECTION 13th April amounted to £1706.27 and b173.11. Thank you.

GROUP GUIDED PRAYER Thursdays immediately after evening Mass. For quiet reflective prayer on the Gospel for Sunday. All welcome

SYMPATHY We offer our sympathy ST.JOSEPH'S YOUNG PRIESTS MAKING OUR FAITH FLESH May at 7.45pm. in Upper Room

THE LITTLE WAY NOVENA St

Saturday 10th May ó Sunday 18th May. Monday 12th May ó Friday 16th May: family Mass at 6.30am and 10.00am. Evening Devotions 7.30pm Guest speakers each evening

> **KNIGHTS OF ST COLUMBANUS Bus** trip to knock Sunday 25th May £10.00 return Tel. 07511769723

The Annual Diocesan Lourdes Hospitalité collection will take place on the weekend of 17th/18th May The Lourdes Hospitalité Fund is very dependent on the monies raised from If you have a First Communion child this one collection to support people who are sick and in need of medical care. The strength of the collection number of medical helpers that we are able to bring. To Lourdes

> EPILEPSY ACTION NI Foyle branch Coffee & Chat meeting Tuesday 6th May 11:00 Austins 3rd floor restaurant. Have a cuppa and chat to others with an interest in Epilepsy. Everyone welcome.

society will meet on Thursday 8th AND BLOOD: BEING CHRIST'S **BODY TODAY"** with Timothy Radcliffe at Drumalis Retreat and Conference Centre. Larne on Saturday, 17 May The cost of the day is £35 per person and includes refreshments and lunch. For further information contact Drumalis during office hours tel 28272196/28276455 or email drumalis@btconnect.com

> LITTLE HANDS SURESTART **COMMUNITY LIBRARY:** Do you have any books/ DVDs you would like to donate? Call down to the Little Hands SureStart Community Library please contact Shauna 71353694 or at the SureStart Family Centre on call into our office at:82a Brookdale Ringfort Road, all donations will be Park, Galliagh, welcomed and greatly appreciated. For further information contact the Library Tai Chi at Age Concern Derry/ Administrator on 02871267524

Mc MILLAN COFFEE MORNING Community Centre Shaw Court.

ALCOHOLICS available in the local area 7 nights a information, telephone71 347 478. week. Contact AA at 90434848

THORNHILL MINISTRIES organising a trip to the Holy Land 14-23rd September. Tel 71351233.

HOLY FAMILY PILGRIMAGE

LOURDES: 16-21ST JULY. £625. Deposit £200. Savings and Deposits Parochial House Thursdays 8-9pm Tel 07732468511

GOOD MORNING NORTHWEST

are looking for volunteers to make morning calls to the elderly and vulnerable adults in the Derry area. If you have a morning or two to spare, why not volunteer. For more details

Tai Chi for senior citizens at Age Concern Derry is a simplified cross between yoga and meditation designed Every Friday at 10am-12.30pm in to improve general health. The classes take place every Monday at 2.00pm at Malvern House, Chapel Road and are ANONYMOUS free of charge. For further

> Salthill LIAM BRADLEY TOURS 11th July 4days £199. Tel 07707166717