

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:

12th & 26th October
9th and 23rd November

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DAY FOR LIFE PRAYER

Holy Mary, mother of love, holding in your arms, the fruit of your womb, look upon our earth and remove from it all that hardens our hearts and dims our eyes to the preciousness of human life.

Through the example of your tenderness, teach us ways of compassion and love that we may build a society that is truly worthy of the human person.

Help us reject a culture of death and to work in promoting one of life.

May we know that fullness of life your Son offers us both now and with you in the eternal life of Heaven.

Amen.'



HOLY FAMILY CHURCH

Sun 6th Oct 2013 Vol. 30 No 39

.DAY FOR LIFE

This Sunday we celebrate our annual DAY FOR LIFE-life for the unborn baby, for the elderly and those tempted by suicidal thoughts.

The Unborn: Once again we affirm that from conception to death, life is a precious gift from God. The life of a mother and her unborn child are both sacred and deserve to be equally protected.

At the same time we must remember that God, our loving Father, through the Sacrament of Reconciliation is always ready to embrace with understanding and compassion for all who feel remorse over an abortion and seeking forgiveness, reconciliation and absolution. they are welcome to come here for our special healing ceremony for parents of un born babies on 25th march.

The Elderly :Pope Francis has warned us thinking ‘ *this elderly man, this elderly woman, is useless; discard them, like we hang up the raincoat during the summer... because they are now disposable, they’re useless.*’ The culture of life embraces with loving care those whose lives would otherwise be neglected. It rejects the growing demand for euthanasia.

Those who are Suicidal: The increased incidence of suicide, especially among younger men is a matter of grave concern. Those who may find themselves with suicidal thoughts must seek help. Suicide is not a solution but casts long shadow of hurt, grief and confusion is over the lives of family and friends forever.

In conclusion, the teaching of Christ states clearly that no person whether unborn baby, the elderly or mentally ill should ever be marginalised or set aside. All have an inherent value and worth that comes from the very heart of God.

BAPTISMS

Amber Grace O'Neill
5 The Branch,
Bobby Darren Mooney
5 Stephens Court
Lee Gabriel Callaghan 2 O'Casey Ct

Anniversaries We pray for:

Margaret Callaghan, Barbara Pearson,
Alec McLaughlin Geraldine Cooley,
Bernadette Cruickshank, Mary Logue,
Molly Cassidy, Michael Deery,
Michael Martin & John Corcoran
Eileen Walls, Peter Doyle

SUNDAY COLLECTION 29th Sept
amounted to £1998.50 and €114.00
Thank you.

OFFERTORY PROCESSION

6.00pm Cara Gillespie & family

12.30pm Georgia Michalak & family
These children will make their First
Communion next year

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

6.00pm Aisling McDaid

12.30pm Eve Keogh

These children will make their
Confirmation next year.

GROUP GUIDED PRAYER

Thursday immediately after evening
Mass. For quiet reflective prayer on
the Gospel for Sunday. All welcome

THANKS People of the parish have
been very generous in supporting the
family of Patrick Friel Curran and
they are very grateful. All door to
door collections have now stopped.

COUNSELLING SERVICES Holy
Family School has offered to let their
premises be used in conjunction with
North West Counselling to any group
in our parish needing support and
counselling. If you have any ideas
who might need support at this time
please get in touch with Fr O'Kane or
Gary Matthewson 71267798

Standing Orders This weekend we
will be giving out Standing Order
Forms after Masses to encourage
people to make their parish
contributions directly from the bank
especially our parishioners who live
outside its geographical area. We are
grateful to those who already support
the parish in this way. Many parishes
see this as the way forward and are
inviting their people to do the same.
Thank you for your generosity in the
past. I know we can rely on it again.

ST.BRIGIDS PRAYERGROUP meet
every Sunday night from 8.00 pm
until 9.30 pm in Resource Centre
Carnhill Derry. |All welcome.

SEASONS OF THE SOUL' 1-DAY

RETREAT – To be held in An
Grianán Hotel, Burt, from 10.15 am—
3.00 pm on Thursday 24
October. Facilitators: Sister Perpetua
McNulty and Mary
Murphy. Suggested Donation: £20
(includes lunch). To book a place on
the Retreat, please phone 71351233 no
later than Tuesday 22 October.

MARIAN DEVOTIONS will take
place in Termonbacca on Tuesday 8th
October, beginning at 7.30 p.m. All
are invited and welcome to attend.

**AOH ANNUAL PILGRIMAGE TO
KNOCK** Saturday 12th October. Cost
£10 Tel Pat 71352326 or Danny
71345368 / 07716938149 for details.

BAYVIEW MEDICAL PRACTICE
will be holding its annual Flu
Vaccination Clinic on Saturday 12th
October from 8:30am to 12:30pm. for
further information Tel: 71 377027

PARK MEDICAL Great James Street
Health Centre Flu Vaccination Clinics
on Saturday 12th Saturday 19 October
**YOUTH LIFE GROWING
THROUGH CHANGE** Residential
Weekend for young people aged 11-
25years who have experienced loss
through death, divorce or separation.
Tel 71377227 for details

SANCTUARY Illuminating the
stories of those in exile. New Theatre
of Witness Production comes to The
Playhouse Thursday 17th -
Saturday 19th October at 8pm
Admission Free – booking essential
Followed by a light reception To book
your ticket contact 7126 8027

**LITTLE HANDS SURESTART
MEN & TODDLER GROUP** takes
place, every Thursday morning, 10.00
– 11.30 am at Rosemount Primary
School, Helen Street Derry. Dads,
granddads, uncles, carers — all males
are welcome. Tel 71367524

HOBBY COMPUTER COURSE in
St Eithne's school every Thursday
from 12.15 to 2.15pm. 15 week course
£30 (concessionary £25) Contact
Maureen 71276135."

TinyLife is dedicated to supporting
families with premature and sick
babies. Our family support volunteers
provide practical and emotional
support to parents who have had a
premature, sick or disabled baby.
Contact Tiny Life 33 Ballynahinch Rd
Carryduff

PLAY The western Trust is hosting a
play in the Waterside Theatre on
Monday 7th October at 8pm. It
is about living with dementia and
getting older. All proceeds are going
to Alzheimers Society. Tickets can be
purchased at the box office or on the
night.

STROKE ODYSSEYS seeking
chorus members to support the stroke
community in Derry for an uplifting
event. For more details call Sarah
Murphy on 0781 1107065 or
email sarah@wall2wallmusic.org

**Traditional Irish Music and Dance
session at Older People North West**
There will be a traditional Irish music
and dance session at Malvern House,
Chapel Road on Wednesday
9th October from 2pm- 3.30pm. Music
will be provided by local musicians
Cóisir an Tí. Refreshments will be
provided. For further information
please telephone **028 71 347 478.**"