

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.

NEW ENVELOPES will be given out
in the next few weeks. Please fill in the
section below and return it to the
parish office if you do not already have
a box and would like one. (or you may
drop it into the collection basket next
week)If you pay tax please sign a Gift
Aid Form.

Do you require Parish Envelopes?

Name.....

Address.....

**HEALING SERVICE AND
BENEDICTION** will take place
here on Sundays of Lent at 6.00pm.
It will include a decade of the Rosary
and a short meditation. I promise
you, you will not leave the church
without being touched by the gentle
touch of Jesus.

TIME FOR ADORATION

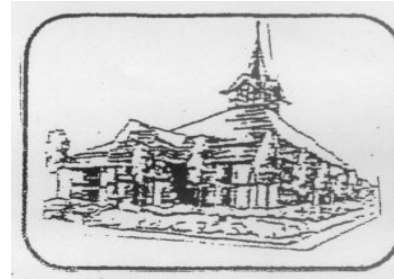
The Gospels show clearly that Peter
was a man of action;
He always needed to be doing
something.

So on Mount Tabor, instead of
contemplating in silence and wonder
the glory of his Lord, he wanted to
build three tents.

There is a time for stillness, for
contemplation, for wonder, for
adoration in the presence of God.
A time to heed the words of the
psalmist:

'Be still and know that I am God'

Sometimes we are too busy when it
would be better for us to be silent,
to be listening, to be wondering, to be
adoring in the presence of God.



**HOLY FAMILY
CHURCH**

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Jesus knew that he would suffer. He knew that a time would come
when his disciples would be scattered, their hope gone. With this in
mind, Jesus wanted his closest followers, Peter, James and John to see
something of his glory before the encountered the sorrow of Calvary.

Peter, in characteristically impulsive fashion, wants to set up house on
the mountain. He wants to preserve the mountain of glory, and so
offers to build tents for Jesus, Moses and Elijah. Peter probably
imagines that he is paying Jesus a great compliment, by including him
in this offer. Later he will come to realize that Jesus is Lord even of
Moses and Elijah.

It is comforting to see how Peter, the head disciple, gets it wrong.
Peter's zeal routinely outpaces his insight, and several times in the
Gospels, Jesus has to correct him. Peter's greatness lies in his love, in
his humble openness to correction. These qualities, rather than any
pastoral brilliance on his part, are what make Peter a great disciple.

Reflections

- 1. Can you name some highpoints of your life, moments of particular
clarity and joy?
- 2. How might the memory of such moments help me through times
of pain and sorrow?
- 3. How can the remembrance of God's faithfulness to us help us, in
our turn, to minister to others?

BAPTISMS Our parish family welcomes:

Faelan James McConomy
McNiece Close

ANNIVERSARIES

John Cassidy, Peter McGowan
Paddy Friel James Hampson,
Michael Sullivan, Ann Nash
Bernard and Letitia Henry

CONGRATULATIONS to the boys and girls who made their Confirmation this weekend. Thanks to the teachers, parents and staff here who made the day so special. Please remember this marks the beginning of their journey in faith as young adults and to encourage them by the example of your own faith practice.

SUNDAY COLLECTION 1st March
£2143.94 and €127.93 Standing Orders
£375

NOVENA TO ST PATRICK: 8 – 16 March. Visit www.padraignaofa.ie to download a copy of Novena Prayer including a Novena for children.

THORNHILL MINISTRIES Praying Lent Invitation to be part of a praying community during Lent Led Meditation, Exposition, Mid-Day Prayer, and the welcome Lenten soup! Thursdays 5, 12, 19, 26 March 2 April 10:30am-12:45 pm Suggested Donation: £10 To book, or for more info tel 71351233 thornhillministries@derrydiocese.org. Websitewww.thornhillministries.co.uk

SENIOR CITIZENS RETREAT - in Termonbacca on Thursday 19th March -

Cost for day - £15 Stg/€20

SILENT WEEKEND RETREAT FOR LADIES in Termonbacca Fri 3rd - Sun 5th April

ACCORD Derry Marriage Preparation Workshops
April 24th/25th May 15th/16th
June 19th/20th in Thornhill Ministries
Culmore Road Booking now online at
www.accord-ni.co.uk

PILGRIMAGE TO FATIMA 9th –16th September. 7 nights full board. £719.
Tel Martin and Jeannie Doherty
07955170503

APA (A Partnership with Africa) is holding two events on the following dates: Bag Packing at all Longs Supermarkets on Saturday 4th of April, 10am -6pm.
Street Collection Derry City Centre: May Friday 1st and Saturday 2nd. 10:00 – 6pm
If you would be willing to help please contact: Peigi 07725751359 – Jane 07813068316.

LENT ON LINE RETREAT Do a 3 day retreat focusing on Prayer, Fasting and Almsgiving available throughout Lent. Register with Priory Institute 0035314048124 This Lent retreat is free and offered entirely online must be in by Friday 28th February

BHCP LUNCH CLUB Luncheon Club Every Friday 12noon Ballymagroarty Community Centre
Parent & Toddlers Group
Ballymagroarty Community Centre
9:30 – 12:00 every Wednesday. £1 per

child. Refreshments available

MELODIES & MEMORIES - a music group for people living with dementia, their family members or carers and older members of the community who like to sing and enjoy a bit of craic - will now be rehearsing in The Acorn Centre, beside St. Peter's Church, Culmore Road, beginning 2nd March. The group meets each Monday afternoon, 3.30 - 5.15. Please phone 07561706815 for information.

LENTEN RETREAT DAYS in SMA Retreat Centre, Dromantine: Sat 14 March, led by Fr Damian Bresnahan and Sat 28 March, led by Fr John Gallagher. These Days of Reflection offer opportunities to prepare our hearts and minds to celebrate Holy Week and Easter. 9.30am – 5.00pm. Cost £25, including lunch.

HOLY Week Retreat Wed. 8th – Easter Sun. 12th April.
Cost £260 / E290 To book, email: sma.dromantine@sma.ie or tel 02830821964. email development@olderpeoplenorthwest.or

FOSTER CARERS urgently required in the WHSCT area, to meet the unfortunate demand for foster placements. If you think you can help, tel **0800 0720137** or email www.adoptionandfostercare.hscni.ni et

FOYLE YARNSPINNERS will meet tomorrow Monday 9th March at 7.30pm in Verbal Arts Centre Bishop Street. Guest this month is Patsy O'Hagan

**HOLY FAMILY
PILGRIMAGES 2020
MEDJUGORE**

30th May –6th June
Cost £589 Deposit £100

LOURDES 3rd-8th July
Cost £699 Deposit £200

Tel Margaret 07732468511
for details
Savings Thurs: 8-9pm in

CATHOLIC PARENTS, and those interested, are invited to the Northern Tour talk, given by John Lacken of LUMEN FEDEI (under the patronage of Saints Louis and Zelig Martin) on Catholic Parenting regarding today's changing Relationships Education Guidelines. Learn how to protect your children. VENUES: Tues 10th Mar Station House Hotel, Letterkenny at 7pm; Thur 12th Mar Drummond Hotel, Ballykelly at 7pm; .

SLIMMING WORLD at Holy Family School every Thursday 5pm-7pm. Tel Valerie 07756455438

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

HORSLIPS IN CONCERT' - St Columb's Hall, Sunday 15 March in support of local disability organisation *Destined*.

OLDER PEOPLE NORTH WEST will have an 02 Guru in Malvern House for a technical workshop on March 10th tel 71347478