

#### 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

#### MARRIAGES Three months notice

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#### PARISH GROUPS

Thurs 7.45pm Scripture Group  
New members always welcome!

*'O that today you would listen to his voice. Harden not your hearts'.*

*From a spiritual point of view, hardness of heart is one of the worst things that can happen to anyone.*

*To adopt a hard hearted attitude is to maim oneself.*

*A hard heart can't feel, can't respond, can't love.*

*A hard heart can't experience joy. It is a closed heart.*

*It is a barren heart.*

*A soft heart, on the other hand, is a blessing.*

*It can receive and respond.*

*It can be saddened but it can also be deliriously happy.*

*Softened by the rain of God's grace, and warmed by the sun of his love, a human heart can be turned from a desert into a garden*



## HOLY FAMILY CHURCH

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Fr Brown is returning in October to the Missions in Africa where he has always said his hear lies. We will miss him and we thank him for the last year and a half loyal service he has offered to the people here of Holy Family. I will always be grateful to him for looking after the parish here during my the time I was off on sabbatical leave earlier this year. We assure Fr Brown of our prayers and good wishes as he returns to the vocation for which he was ordained, spreading the Good News in the Missions. Fr Brown will say his last Sunday Mass here on Sunday 24th September, though he will still help out here during the rest of that week. He has asked that this message be included in our announcements this weekend.

*'As a member of St. Patrick's Missionary Society, Kiltegan, Co. Wicklow, I have just been appointed to Kenya, East Africa. I will complete my commitment to Holy Family Parish at the end of this month and leave for Kenya in October. I would like to express my sincere thanks to Fr Paddy O'Kane, the priests and sisters of Holy Family, the staff and all the people of the parish for their support and inspiration over these past few years. I asks particularly for your prayers for myself and for all missionary priests, sisters and lay men and women in Africa and in other parts of the developing world as I return to the 'Missions.'*

**BAPTISMS** Our parish family welcomes:

Grace Abigail Smith 23 Pinetrees

**SUNDAY COLLECTION** 3rd Sept £21963.33 and €86.28

### ANNIVERSARIES

May East, Tom McCallion  
Matt Martin Ann Geoghegan

**Anniversaries next week.**

**Sat 6.00pm** Sean Canney

### HOLY FAMILY PADRE PIO

**PRAYER GROUP** will hold their monthly meeting tomorrow night Monday starting with Mass at 7.15pm, There will be a 1<sup>st</sup> class relic at the meeting. All are welcome.

**LEARN YOUR FAITH** – Group gathering each Tuesday evening to read the YOUCAT, the Youth Catechism. All age groups welcome Meeting in Parish Hall, Chapel Road, Beginning Tuesday 5 September at 7pm. Contact Fr Roland Colhoun at [roland@derrydiocese.org](mailto:roland@derrydiocese.org)

### 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF FATIMA APPARITIONS

in St Brigid's, Carnhill Derry. Mass on Wednesday 13th September to commemorate the 5th apparition at 7.30pm followed by candlelight Rosary procession and Eucharistic Adoration until 12 midnight with Rosary for world peace every hour. All welcome.

**ADULT CHOIR (11am Mass)** practice resumes on Tuesdays at 8pm. New members welcome.

### CALLING ALL PILGRIMS

Bishop Donal McKeown invites parishioners throughout the diocese to join with him in going on pilgrimage to Knock on Saturday 23 September. For details, tel Sr Perpetua 71351233

### THORNHILL MINISTRIES'

**GOING DEEPER'** for those moving deeper into prayer and contemplation begins 18 September 9:45am – 1:30pm for 6 weeks.

### THE LEGEND OF LIR:

Exploration of Spiritual truths of the legend, led by Mary Murphy Begins Thursday 14 Sept. 7:30 pm – 9:00 pm (3wks)

Venue: Thornhill House 121 Culmore Rd Tel for details 71351233 [www.thornhillministries.co.uk](http://www.thornhillministries.co.uk)

### DAY OF RENEWAL:

Omagh Charismatic Prayer Group is hosting a Day of Renewal on Sunday 8 October in the Mellon Country Hotel, Omagh Registration 9am. Theme: 'Speaker: Sr Josephine Walsh DHS. Holy Mass 3.30pm. Celebrant: Bishop Donal McKeown. Cost: £25 (incl lunch & tea/coffee). Booking essential to facilitate catering. Tel:8224 2092

### ST.BRIGID'S PRAYERGROUP

will reopen on Sunday 10 September at 8.OOPM. In the Resource Centre Carnhill All welcome

**JO JINGLES** starting at St Eithne's Primary School on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> September at 10am to 10:45am for 6 weeks all pre-school children and babies from 3 Months old are welcome the price is £3 per child £5 for two please phone the school to register on 7137707

### Accord Derry Marriage

#### Preparation Workshops

January 12/13<sup>th</sup> February 16/17<sup>th</sup>  
March 9/10<sup>th</sup> April 13/14<sup>th</sup>  
May 11/12<sup>th</sup> June 8/9<sup>th</sup>

Booking online at [www.accordni.com](http://www.accordni.com)

### NEW CATHOLIC TALK-RADIO STATION RADIO MARIA

IRELAND (RMI) is an Irish-run Catholic Talk Radio station Their mission is to help spread the Gospel message of Joy, Hope and Charity with a mixture of Prayer, Catechesis, Uplifting music, Talks, Interviews and Testimonies – all commercial free. FREE streaming on [www.radiomaria.ie](http://www.radiomaria.ie) by clicking "LISTEN LIVE" or can be listened to on the phone via a live radio feed by calling +353 (0) 1 437 3277.

**Family Care Adoption Services** is presently seeking to recruit adoptive families for babies and young children. for a free information pack please contact us at: 71 368592

#### Email:

[anne.ohagan@familycaresociety.org](mailto:anne.ohagan@familycaresociety.org)  
Website [www.familycaresociety.co.uk](http://www.familycaresociety.co.uk)

**THE FOYLE YARNSPINNERS** will meet on Monday 11th September in the Verbal Arts Centre Bishop St. at 7.30p.m. Guest speaker this month Roy Arbuckle. All welcome

### HIKE TO CROAGH PATRICK:

Do you fancy a trip to Westport, combined with a hike of one of Ireland's famous mountains 'Croagh Patrick' on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> October, for those aged 16+. Cost £30 includes dinner and bus. For further details or to get a booking form, please contact Diocesan Catechetical Centre on 71264087 email: [rebecca.odoherty@derrydiocese.org](mailto:rebecca.odoherty@derrydiocese.org)

### ZERO WASTE NORTH WEST

invite you to the first ever; 'Enough Stuff Festival', at the Playtrail, Sat 16th and Sun 17th September starting from 11am. Entrance is free.

### MELODIES AND MEMORIES

*is an inclusive community music group for older persons, their family members and friends, with a very special welcome extended to those living with Alzheimer's, dementia or any form of memory loss. We meet every Monday afternoon . in St. Cecilia's College, Bligh's Lane, Creggan, 3.30 - 5.30pm. All welcome*

**St Mary's College Derry** will host a free Irish Cultural night on Friday 22nd of September There will be Irish music and dancing and a céilí. from 5 -6.30pm.