

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:

18th May

1st and 15th June

6th and 20th July

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LIFT UP YOUR HEARTS

The day of the Lord's triumphant return to his Father is not a day for narrowness or sadness.

Rather, it is a day for openness and joy.

Therefore, let us lift up our hearts.

Let us raise up our minds.

Let our spirits soar and be free.

For sin and evil and death have been overcome.

We know nothing of the mystery of the beyond.

All we have is his word:
'Where I am, you will be too'

*Lord,
you have kindled in our hearts
the hope of eternal life.*

*Guard this hope with your
grace, and bring it to
fulfilment in the kingdom of
heaven.*



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WITNESSES FOR CHRIST

Before leaving his apostles Jesus commissioned them to preach the Gospel to the whole world.. In order to help them carry out that mission he promised to send them the Holy Spirit. On Pentecost Day he fulfilled that promise.



The task of preaching the Gospel to the world now depends on us.

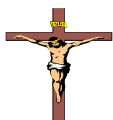
We are Christ's witnesses. It's a great privilege but a daunting task. However, we can also rely on the help of the Holy Spirit. But how are we to witness?

There is the witness of words. We witness by professing our faith. This could include explaining it and defending it when you hear people making fun of it.

There is the witness of deeds. An apple tree that never produced an apple would be a poor witness for the orchard.

Then there is the witness of one's life. Flowers bear witness to beauty simply by being what they are. And Christians bear witness by what they are. The most eloquent sermon is the silent sermon of example. Today people want to see the Gospel in action

SYMPATHY We offer our sympathy to the family and friends of Tony Redden 3, The Paddocks who died during the week. May he rest in peace.



BAPTISM Our parish family welcome:

Lexi Jorge McCusker 7 Dunluce Court

Anniversaries We pray for:
Margaret Henry, Noel Barr,
Frank O'Donnell, Rosie Curran,
Ann Crossan

OFFERTORY PROCESSION
6.00pm Niamh Doherty & family

12.30pm Ben Brady & family

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL
6.00pm Leia Irwin

12.30pm. Caitlin Brown

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT takes place on Tuesday from 10.30am-7.15pm.

BISHOP'S COLLECTION 5th May amounted to £1666.46 and €96.97 Thank you

LEGION OF MARY will recite the Rosary at the Lourdes Grotto Monday to Friday after evening Mass during May.

THE HOLY FAMILY PADRE PIO PRAYER GROUP will hold their monthly meeting on Monday 13th May starting with Mass at 7.15pm. There will be two 1st class relics at the meeting, and All welcome.

LUKE'S BOOK The link group for the distribution of Luke's Book, wishes to thank all those who volunteered to deliver this 'Free Gift' to every home in our Parish.

THE LITTLE WAY NOVENA will take place in St Eugene's Cathedral from Saturday, 11th May - Sunday, 19th May. There will be a Novena Masses at 6.30 am and 10.00 am each morning and an evening service with a guest speaker at 7.30 pm. The theme is 'We can never have too much confidence in God'. Everyone is welcome.

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK: Father Francis Bradley is leading the Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock on 2nd June. Bus leaving Derry: Sainsbury's at 8.45am and then Strabane: Bus Depot at 9.15am. Cost £35 includes 3-course meal on way home. Ring Rosemary, Pastoral Centre 9.30am to 1.00pm 71362475

Knights of St Columbanus Pilgrimage to Knock takes place on Sunday 26th May Price £10.00 telephone 07511769723

ICMA: The Irish Church Music Association is running the Annual Summer School to offer support to anyone involved in music in Churches/Parishes. If you would like more information, please contact Sr Perpetua 71351233 or thornhillcentre@derrydiocese.org.

PIONEERS Mass for the intentions of all total abstainers and Pioneers will be celebrated in St. Mary's Church, Ardmore on Tuesday, 21st May at 7.30pm. Everyone is welcome

A HEALING MASS celebrated by Fr Neal Carlin will be held in St Canice's Oratory in the Celtic Prayer Garden, Lenamore Road at 3pm on Pentecost Sunday (Sunday 19th May). Refreshments afterwards in the IOSAS Centre. All welcome

The Annual Diocesan Lourdes Hospitalite Collection will be taken up next weekend However as we do not have a tradition of a 2nd collection whatever money is above the average next weekend will be used to support pilgrims to Lourdes on the Diocesan Pilgrimage and who are sick and in need of medical care

A Pentecost Weekend Retreat will take place in Termonbacca, from Fri. 17th - Sun. 19th May. For bookings, Tel: 71 262512.

With Saint Columba Into The Future Mass in the Grotto, Friday 31st May at 6.00pm followed by Rosary Procession to Long Tower Church.

Walking Pilgrimage beginning at Long Tower Church to Thornhill on Saturday, 1st June. If you would like to join the Walking Pilgrimage please tel Long Tower Parochial House on 7126 2301.

HOLY FAMILY PILGRIMAGES

Lourdes: 16th- 21st July
2013 Cost £595 Deposit £150

Fatima/Estoril 19th -26th Sept
Savings scheme on Thursdays 8-9pm in Parochial House.

For details phone Margaret
07732468511.

BINGO in St Joseph's Parish Centre Gallagher Sunday, Wednesday and Friday 9.00pm. Bus Service available.

ROSEMOUNT YOUTH CLUB for 13 years old and over Friday night 8-11pm Saturday 7-10pm. Tel 71369264

BRIGHT BRAND NEW DAY Believe In A Better Future 5pm Sunday 19TH May Guildhall Square *featuring* - Phil Coulter, The PRIESTS and others. Guest of Honour – MR MARTIN LUTHER KING III *A free event for all the family*

THE PLAYHOUSE Re-energize' Written by Gary Mitchell, with music composed by John and Damian O'Neill of The Undertones, 'Re-energize' follows a wannabe punk band re-unite to do one last gig. On Monday 13 to Saturday 18 May, 8pm, Matinee Saturday 18, 2.30pm. Tickets: £14/ £10. Contact (028)71268027.

The Foyle YarnspINNers Monday at 8.00pm in the Verbal Arts Centre, Bishop Street. Adm free All welcome.'