

## 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 at 8.00pm in Upper  
Room.

**CURSILLO DERRY** in  
Termonbacca, Men's Weekend, Thurs  
25<sup>th</sup> - Sun 28<sup>th</sup> Oct .These are  
residential weekends and places are  
available For further information tel  
07708066939 or 07841100174

## NATIONAL ADOPTION WEEK

15<sup>th</sup> - 22<sup>nd</sup> October Family Care  
Adoption Services is seeking adoptive  
families for babies, young children  
aged 3 years and older; and brothers  
and sisters. To find out more  
information please contact us at:  
Family Care Adoption Services:  
Telephone: 71 368592 90691133

Mon—Fri 9a.m.-5p.m. Email:  
[anne.ohagan@familycaresociety.org](mailto:anne.ohagan@familycaresociety.org)  
[www.familycaresociety.co.uk](http://www.familycaresociety.co.uk)

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

## THE ORDER OF MALTA AMBULANCE CORPS

in Derry is  
seeking new adult members for a  
variety of roles within the  
organisation. If interested text your  
contact details to 07517801677 email  
[derrymaltatraining@gmail.com](mailto:derrymaltatraining@gmail.com) or .  
Alternatively you can leave a message  
with Thornhill Ministries at 71 351233

**SINGING CLASSES** for children  
aged 6-12 on Wednesday at 4:30pm  
in the Acorn Centre (St Peter's  
Church, Culmore Rd) or Thursday at  
5:00pm in the Waterside Theatre, £5.  
[sandramcnultymusic](mailto:sandramcnultymusic) / 07724075727/  
[sasamc@yahoo.com](mailto:sasamc@yahoo.com)



# HOLY FAMILY CHURCH

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The second theme of the Pastoral Plan, on which parishes are asked to focus today is, *'Be Disciples of Jesus, growing in faith together'*. This Theme invites us to seek ways in our parish communities of maturing in knowledge of *what it is we believe as Catholics*. It does this so that, together, we might live, share and pass on our Catholic faith in a mature way; in other words, we can be true disciples of Christ, living out our baptismal call. As adults, if we have no hunger for understanding or learning more about our Catholic faith, or if we allow our faith practices to become so routine that we don't even stop to think of their true meaning or of their biblical roots, then we end up reducing our faith, our discipleship, to a *set of rules by which we should abide*. And yet, one of the true joys of our Catholic faith is the wealth and gift of Scripture, the sacred and Spirit-inspired writings, that are there to provide life-long guidance for us, to enable and encourage us in discipleship. Most of all, as baptised Catholics, we have God's true desire for us to get to know Him, to be drawn to His ways in our day to day lives and to experience His loving care in the struggles and crosses of our lives.

In today's Gospel, Jesus tells us, *It is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God*" This 'punch-line' of Jesus to His disciples is a wake-up call to the challenges of discipleship, the challenges of building the kingdom of God. As the disciples of our time, it is our duty to lead a life of discipleship that will lead us towards the wealth of the eternal happiness that God offers all of us in His heavenly home.

So today, let each of us think seriously on ways in which we, as a parish community, can grow in our Catholic faith together, ways in which we can be responsible disciples in our homes and our parish and, in so doing, reaching out to our brothers and sisters in Christ and building the kingdom of God.

**SYMPATHY** We offer our sympathy to the family of John Nixon, Marianus Park and Bessie McCartney The Branch who died during the week. May they rest in peace.

#### **ANNIVERSARIES**

Dinnie Cassidy, Brian Leeman, Leigh O'Conne, Annie McGratton, Mary O'Donnell

#### **PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL**

**6.00pm** Martin Dunn

**12.30pm** Shey Murphy

#### **OFFERTORY PROCESSION**

**6.00pm** Olivia Logue & Family

**12.30** Olivia Doherty & family

#### **SUNDAY COLLECTION**

October £1929.10 and €70.63

#### **THORNHILL MINISTRIES'**

**Art Journalling - 'Autumn: The Call to Surrender'**: Using simple art exercises for self-expression and reflection, a creative day, engaging with the language of colour and seasons. Saturday 27 October from 9:30 am to 4:00 pm. For details tel 71351233

[thornhillministries@derrydiocese.org](mailto:thornhillministries@derrydiocese.org).

#### **DAY OF PRAYER FOR HEALING:**

Omagh Charismatic Prayer Group will host this Day in the Mellon Country Hotel, Omagh, on Sunday 21 October Registration from 9.00am. Mass at 3.30pm Booking essential. Tel: 8224 2092 (office hours) or mobile 0787641 1435.

**LATIN MASS** which was to take place in Long Tower next Sunday 21st October has been cancelled,

**SR. CLARE CROCKETT** A Mass in remembrance of her will take place in Termonbacca today Sunday 14th October, at 7.00 p.m. All welcome

**MONICA RETREAT DAY** Saturday 3 November 9:30am-2:30 pm Anyone who feels the loss of family members who are choosing not to practice their faith, this is a day for personal healing. Led by Fr Paschal McDonnell. For more details contact Thornhill Ministries, Tele 71351233 Email [thornhillministries@derrydiocese.org](mailto:thornhillministries@derrydiocese.org)

**ANNUAL DERRY DIOCESAN PIONEER MASS** will be celebrated by Bishop McKeown in St Mary's Church, Killyclogher, Omagh, at 3.00pm, on Sunday 4 November. Bus available from Derry City, cost only £5. Tel 7135 2285 or 71291231.

#### **IRISH TRUST (IPT) PILGRIMAGE**

**to Lourdes, Easter 2019.** The IPT is currently accepting applications for this pilgrimage from young people (11 – 30 years) with a medical condition, physical disability, illness, learning disability, social or emotional need or applications for children under the age of 11, who must be accompanied by a parent or close relative. For further information / application form, contact Mary on 00353 87 7962 047. Closing date for applications is 31 October.

**ENGAGED ENCOUNTER** **COURSE**, 23-24 March 2019 in Our Lady and St. Patrick's Parish Centre, Ballymoney For details [marriageencounter.ie](http://marriageencounter.ie) or 27638512

**JOB ADVERTISEMENT:** Derry Diocesan Trust: Part Time Parish Secretary required for Claudy Parish. Ten hours per week, Mon 9am – 2pm, Fri 9am – 2pm. For full details visit [www.derrydiocese.org](http://www.derrydiocese.org). For application pack [email office@derrydiocese.org](mailto:office@derrydiocese.org) or tel 71262302. Completed applications must be returned to Bishop's House, Francis Street, Derry or via email, [office@derrydiocese.org](mailto:office@derrydiocese.org), no later than 5pm on 22 October.

**ACCORD DERRY Marriage Preparation Workshops** January 11<sup>th</sup>/12<sup>th</sup> 2019 February 8<sup>th</sup>/9<sup>th</sup> 2019 22nd & 23rd March 2019. Thornhill Ministeries Culmore Road Booking now online at [www.accordni.com](http://www.accordni.com)

**REMEMBERING OUR BABIES AND CHILDREN** The Altnagelvin Hospital Annual Service of Remembrance for Babies and Children will take place today Sunday at 3.00pm. and will be held in the Multi-Disciplinary Education Centre, Altnagelvin Hospital. All parents, families and friends are very welcome to attend. Families are invited if they wish, to bring a flower in memory of their child to present during the service.

**CHILDLINE** are currently looking for volunteers at Childline Foyle to keep up with the demand of calls and online chats from children and young people. They are looking for Volunteer Counsellors, Email Counsellors and Switchboarders.

Their next Volunteer Information Meeting on Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> November, from 5-6.30pm at local ChildLine Foyle base, Exchange House, Queen's Quay. Tel: 028 2044 1742 for details.

**RETIRED TEACHERS** Unique volunteering opportunities for Retired Teachers Please contact Kate at Sólás on 90247600, or email [progs@solasbt7.com](mailto:progs@solasbt7.com) for further details and information pack".

**ANAM CARA** the organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding a Bereavement Information Evening on Tuesday 23rd of October at 7:00pm in the Inishowen Gateway Hotel, Buncrana, Co. Donegal. This is a free event and open to all bereaved parents. As Anam Cara will need to confirm numbers for teas, coffees, etc, please RSVP to [info@anamcara.ie](mailto:info@anamcara.ie) before Monday 22nd October or call the Information Line on 085 2888 888.

**ARAS COLMCILLE** – The St. Columba Heritage Centre, which was formally Wee Nuns School, Derry, are looking for volunteers to help out with the day to day running of the museum. If you would like to help call Eugene at 077 7974 8142 - or call into museum between 11.00 - 3.00.