

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
Eve of Holydays & eve of First Fridays: 10.30am. and before evening Mass

BAPTISM COURSES

1st & 3rd Wednesdays of the month at 8pm

BAPTISMS: One month's notice
Every Saturday at 7.00pm

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PARISH GROUPS

Tues: 8pm Choir Practice
Thurs 7.45pm Scripture Group
New members welcome!

FOR ALL DOG LOVERS.

A man wrote a letter to a small hotel. He planned to visit on holiday. He wrote 'I would very much like to bring my dog with me. He is well groomed and well behaved. Would you be willing to permit me to keep him in my room with me at night?'

An immediate reply came from the hotel owner who said: 'I have been operating this hotel for many years. In all that time I have never had a dog steal towels, bed clothes, or silverware or pictures of the walls. I've never had to evict a dog in the middle of the night for being drunk and disorderly, And I've never had a dog run out on a hotel bill. Yes, indeed your dog is welcome at my hotel and if your dog will vouch for you, you're welcome to stay here too'.

VOLUNTEER AT WHITE OAKS ACORN ORGANIC FARM: If you have an interest in organic growing and have a few hours to spare, why not spend them with us? Phone (00353) (0) 74 9384866 or call with us to find out more about our volunteering opportunities.



HOLY FAMILY CHURCH

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A NEW LANGUAGE

On Pentecost Day the apostles spoke a new language.

What was this new language?

It was the language of peace rather than war; the language of cooperation rather than competition:

- the language of forgiveness rather than vengeance;
- the language of tolerance rather than bigotry;
- the language of friendship rather than hostility;
- the language of unity rather than division;
- the language of love rather than hate:

Through the gift of the Spirit, people of different languages learned to profess one faith to the praise and glory of God.

That is the real miracle of Pentecost, and it is a miracle which thankfully, still happens today.

When you're reading this bulletin let the Spirit breathe through you and in so doing you build up this Kingdom of God.

CONFIRMATION PLEDGE Moderation is good for the human spirit in general and in the use of alcohol in particular. Moderation brings a sense of well-being. This weekend as our children are invited to take their 'Confirmation Pledge' at 11am and 12.30pm Masses. We are challenged to look at our own drinking and the example we give them. They will be invited to stay off alcohol until they are 18 years of age and from illegal drugs for life. The congregation will also be asked to pray for them that they will have the moral strength and courage to keep these promises and use the gift of moderation



SYMPATHY We offer our sympathy to the family and friends of

Tony Horner, Dunluce Ct, Frances Curran The Branch Paddy Doherty, Templegrove, Theresa McLaughlin Templegrove, Sheila Doyle Coshquin Rd and Margaret Elliott Gweebarra Park who died recently. May they rest in peace.



BAPTISMS Our parish family welcomes:

Aidan Harkin, Marianus Pk Anthony Mark Smith, 78 St. Eithne's Park Casey Leigh Doherty 11 Yeats Court Sophia Isabella Kate Courtney 8 Synge Court



NEW EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS Our new team of Eucharistic Ministers who have not already been inducted will be commissioned at 6.00pm Vigil Mass next Saturday being the Feast of Corpus Christi.

ANNIVERSARIES Michael McGuinness, Bosco McCaul Hugh Campbell, Jackie McVeigh, Micahel James and Pat Jones, Charlie Smyth, Patrick McShane Pat Mallett

BISHOP'S COLLECTION 8th May amounted to £2071.59 and £176.52. Thank you.

OFFERTORY PROCESSION 600pm Shay Murphy & family

12.30pm Caitlin McLaughlin & family

MASS FOR THE SICK - will take place in Termonbacca on Tuesday 17th May, at 8 p.m. All welcome.

White Oaks & YARD Project Confidential Counselling for Families Affected by Addiction. If you are concerned about a loved one's use of alcohol, drugs or gambling please contact us. Confidential counselling, advice and information provided by a qualified addiction counsellor. This service is provided at Columba House, 11 Queen St, Derry. Tel: 02871 262407 for appointment or further information

THE SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL urgently requires good quality clothes and household furniture, especially bedroom furniture. Please contact 71265489 or 71268325 for collection.

PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK with Knights of St Columbanus Sunday 29th May Cost £15.00 For Bus Only. everyone welcome For Details and Booking Contact 07511769723

4 DAY PILGRIMAGE to San Giovanni visiting Pietrelcina, & the shrines of St Michael & St

Matthew. 12th October, contact Sean for full details on 71265926

Interested in Adoption? Family Care Society specialises in finding forever families for children aged 3 years old and upwards. We are seeking families who would be interested in becoming concurrent carers for babies under 2 years old. – Tel: Julie or Brian at our Derry office –Tel:7136859 Email: email@familycaresociety.org Web:www.familycaresociety.co.uk

FOSTERING: Recruitment Events for Fostering will be held on Monday 16th May, Fir Trees Hotel, Strabane, 7.30pm; Tuesday 17th May, Da Vinci's Hotel, Derry, 7.30pm; Wednesday 18th May, Silverbirch Hotel, Omagh, 7.30pm. If you are interested in fostering, please come along to one of these events

DFC KIDZ AFTER SCHOOL CLUB and Summer Scheme for children aged 4 years to 11 years! Are you paying £80 or more a week for After School Childcare, or during school closures? We are holding a registration afternoon for these clubs on Monday 16th May from 1.30 pm-6.00pm. For more information about our Summer Scheme and After School places please contact: Jennifer 71269833 or Ciaran 07563260530

Car Boot Sale in St. Mary's Hall in

PARISH PILGRIMAGES HOLY LAND (half board) From 9th-17th October 2016. **Cost:** £1275.€1495. Deposit £150.

3 nights Galilee, 4 nights Jerusalem Flying directly from Dublin

LOURDES (full board) 16th –21st July £605

Tel Margaret 07732468511 Savings scheme now started in the Parochial House each Thursday evening from 8-9pm.

Burt on Saturday 21st May .Sale starts at 10.30am until 3pm.Proceeds will go to the upkeep of hall.

OIL PAINTING WORKSHOP: Instruction in landscape, portraiture and the fundamentals of painting. Colour, value, composition, edges and drawing. If interested please contact: Tommy 077086956508 or email: tommylong12@gmail.com Big Bingo. takes place on **Sunday 15th May at 3pm** St. Mary's Hall in Burt

COFFEE MORNING AND SALE Saturday 21st May, 10am-12.30pm in the Acorn Centre, Culmore Rd (St Peter's Church Hall Adm: adults £3 children free