

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

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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.

MELODIES & MEMORIES is a music group for people living with dementia, their family members and/or friends. We also welcome older members of our community who like to sing. We meet in St. Cecilia's College, Derry, on Monday afternoons, 3.30 – 5.30. Our first session is tomorrow Monday, Contact 07561706815 or melandmem@icloud.com.

Derry Set Dancing Class resumes in Pilot's Row Community Centre on Tuesday 10th September at 8 pm. All welcome.

CUMANN GAELACH CNOC NA ROS Adult Irish Classes on Tuesday evenings at 7.30pm in St. Anne's Primary school. All levels catered for.

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

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



HOLY FAMILY CHURCH

Sun 15th Sept. 2019 Vol. 37 No 37

Called to 'come to our senses.'

The three parables of things lost and found emphasise the unending forgiveness of God and God's rejoicing for those who return. In each of the situations there is a frantic search for that which is lost and a huge celebration when the lost is found. In the parable of the lost son there is much to reflect on. We hear that the younger brother came to his senses'. We might pray today that God show us the aspects of our lives in which we also need to come to our senses.

In this Season of Creation, we lament the destruction of God's creation, we reflect on the loss of bio-diversity and the loss of human life caused by climate change. We pray that as a global community, we might, like the lost son 'come to our senses' and take the actions that are necessary to change course. It all seems so huge and perhaps we feel there is nothing significant we can do. That is not the case. As parishes we can lead by example and show our commitment to care for the earth. The future of our environment depends on the actions we take now as a society. As with all significant change, it begins with grassroots.

'I wish to address every person living on this planet.....to enter into dialogue with all people about our common home....the climate is a common good, belonging to all and meant for all (Laudato Si 3,23)

SYMPATHY We offer our sympathy to the family of who died during the week. May she rest in peace.

ANNIVERSARIES

SUNDAY COLLECTION 8th Sept £1999.30 and €120.50 Standing Orders £375

DERRY DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK Saturday 28 September, led by Bishop Donal McKeown. Buses will travel, with a variety of pick-up points. Contact: Fr Patrick Lagan for further detail, tel 71262894 or email: steugenes@btconnect.com,

POPE JOHN PAUL II AWARD NATIONAL PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK SHRINE will take place on Friday, 27 September, for young people aged 16 and 18. Over 1,100 young people from across the country attended this youth pilgrimage last year. The theme is '*Life To The Full*' - Positive Friendships - Your Parish Needs You Now! Guest speaker will be Elma Walsh #LiveLife. Music by Elation Ministries. Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Donal McKeown. Transport will be provided. For more information contact The Catechetical Centre ddcc@derrydiocese.org 71264 087 Closing date for bookings is Monday 23rd September.

.FAITH FORMATION Short meditation, tea/coffee, craic and discussion - every Thursday in the Church starting on Thursday 5th Sept. 7.45pm to 9 15pm. All welcome

St Maria Goretti Prayer Movement Holy Hour – Tuesday 17th September 2019 at 8.15pm in the Immaculate Conception Church, Trench Road,

IOSAS CENTRE Any students/ members of the parish considering completing The JPPII Gold Award are invited to consider working with the IOSAS Centre as a way to fulfil their Parish/Social Awareness activities for this award. Please contact your JPPII parish coordinator, teacher in charge or the IOSAS Centre via Facebook.

SMA Retreat & Conference Centre, Dromantine, Days of Prayer / Workshops Sat. 28th Sept. 'Lectio Divina', - £25/€30; Sat. 19th Oct. 'The Green Platform' - £45/€50; Sat. 9th Nov. 'Finding God in the Mess' - £30/€35

THORNHILL MINISTRIES, 121 Culmore Road, 'Spiritual Reading Book Club For anyone interested in spiritual-religious writings, our Book Club will review

books and help us stay in touch with current issues and theology. Copies of books available for purchase. Please let us know if you would like to join our club! Dates this term: Tuesdays 24 September, 22 October & 19 November. Time: 10:30 am - 11:45 am. Suggested Offering £5.00. All welcome.

Coffee & Clobber Morning On Tuesday 10 September, Thornhill Ministries will hold a fundraising activity as part of our ongoing efforts to help clothe children and adults in the developing world. Bring us your used clothes between 10:30 am and 12:00 noon and we will provide you with a cuppa and tray bake as a thank you for your generosity. Material, bedding and towelling also welcome. Donations always welcome! For more information, please phone 71351233 email thornhillministries@derrydiocese.org or

LEGION OF MARY BUS to KNOCK will take place on Sunday 29th September, Bus leaving Dunnes carmpar at 8.30am. Tel Sheila 07872892655 for details

ST COLUMB'S COLLEGE Autumn Craft Fair will be held in the school on Saturday, 19th Oct, 10am – 5pm: arts & local crafts; anyone interested in a stall please contact Alison at the school on 71285000. All welcome

Older people North West enrolment on Tuesday September 10th at 1.30 pm, for participants in the Art Class. Spaces are limited. For further information or to enrol call 71347478 email: development@olderpeoplenorthwest.org.

FAMILY CARE ADOPTION SERVICES (1969 – 2019) Celebrating 50 years of adoption Family Care Adoption Services is presently seeking adoptive families for babies, young children aged 2 years and older; and brothers and sisters. To find out more information please Telephone: 71 368592 or 90 691133_Mon to Friday: 9a.m. -5p.m. Email: anne.ohagan@familycaresociety.org Website www.familycaresociety.co.uk

FOYLE YARNSPINNERS will resume tomorrow Monday at 7.30pm in Verbal Arts Centre. Bishop St.. Guest Speaker Colm Arbuckle

SAFEGUARDING Any concerns in regard to Safeguarding children or adults in need of protection within the Church contact: Noel O'Donnell, Diocesan Pastoral Centre,, 71362475, mobile 07596500793 or Celine McKenna, Diocesan Pastoral Centre,

SYMPATHY We offer our sympathy to the family of Angela McCloskey, Benview Est. who died during the week. May she rest in peace.

BAPTISM Our parish family welcomes: Darci Margaret McLaughlin Allingham Close

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Mary Rose Coughlan

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Holy Hour for an Increase of Vocations and Religious Life in the Diocese of Derry: Fr Declan McGeehan, will lead a Holy Hour to pray for an increase in vocations to the Priesthood and Religious life on Thursday 19th September at 8:00pm in St. Eugene's Cathedral, All welcome.

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IOSAS CENTRE MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING ON 2 FRIDAYS in September. September 20th and September 27th. 2 Hot Drinks+ 2 Traybakes for €5. Please come and support this great charity.

Irish Pilgrimage Trust- Pilgrimage to Lourdes, Easter 2020: Applications are invited from / for young people (11-30 years) with a medical condition, physical disability, illness, learning disability, social or emotional need. Applications also invited for very seriously ill children under the age of 11, accompanied by a parent or close relative. Contact Maureen Devine after 5pm (00447717732550) or Mary Dunnion (0877962047) for further details and an application form. Closing date for applications is 31 October.

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40 Days for Life: Precious Life have launched **40 DAYS OF PRAYER & FASTING** - Thursday 17th October to stop Westminster's cruel and extreme abortion law being forced on Northern Ireland. For more information tel **Precious Life 02890278484** or email info@preciouslife.com

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The Ulster Youth Orchestra String Quartet will be performing 60's music and popular classics in Older People North West/Age Concern's Centre, Malvern House on Tues. 17th September at 12.45. Adm free Tel 71 347 478

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