

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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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.



LENTEN PENITENTIAL AID

“ I am sorry for my sins. I ask
God’s grace to help me to :

Be More patient and kind

Be More pure

Let go of a resentment

Do more penance

Use words of thanks and praise

To listen more than I talk

To stop blaming others

Be more generous and helpful

Go to Mass, and say my prayers

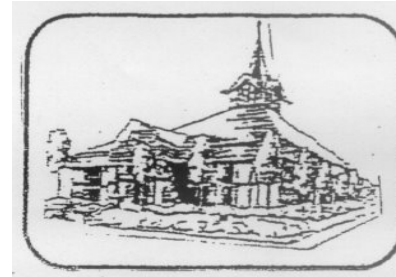
Bring more joy into our home

Stop my cursing and lying

Seek out the lonely”

And if you’re stuck and none of
the above applies to you just say:

‘I’ll try to be a better person.’



HOLY FAMILY CHURCH

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St. Patrick has become known as the man who, single-handedly, as the myth would have us believe, converted the Irish but he has been buried beneath fifteen hundred years of history and layers of national pride. “It’s a great day for the Irish,” we sing today .We expect the saint to “bestow a sweet smile.” Is it not more an excuse for some to get full, for others have for a bit of fun and ‘crack’? Nothing wrong with the latter. Is it not more the Irish we are honouring than St Patrick? Does that faith he brought get a look-in at all ?How do we separate the man from the myth, the saint from the symbol? We will never know but he did leave his Confessions in which we discover a man of deep faith. Courageous, energetic and forgiving, whoever the real Patrick was, he must have been a man of outstanding human qualities and singular sanctity.



Whoever he was, he helped convert the Irish, in spite of their strong Druidic religion and without a single drop of martyr’s blood . This led to a harvest of saintly monasticism and a faith which survived fifteen hundred years. Many of these were through penal laws and persecution from an occupying power which had no love for the people here or their church. Will it continue to survive? That’s up to you and me.

.Happy St Patrick’s Day!

SYMPATHY We offer our sympathy to the families of Eileen Harkin, Inchview, Francis Bradley, Drumard Park, John Cassidy, Shanreagh Pk. who died during the week. May they rest in peace.

HEALING MASS I will be celebrating a Mass of Healing and Anointing with holy oil for all forms of illness, here in Holy Family **this Tuesday** at 7.15pm with special prayers of healing for those suffering from depression and mental illness.

ANNIVERSARIES

Alex Bradley, Dotie Coyle
Stella Fean, Adrian Devine
Manus Canning, Jack McCorristan
Michael Doherty

OFFERTORY PROCESSION

6.00pm Caihla Shields & family

12.30pm Megan Coyle & family

SUNDAY COLLECTION 10th March £1971.16 and €109.22. Standing Orders £332. Thank You.

ST PATRICK DAY EVENT at the Community Centre at Shaw Court today between 6pm to 8pm. Music and food. All children must be accompanied by an adult £1 per child.

DAY RETREAT Senior Citizens and friends - in Termonbacca, on Thursday 21st March. Cost including meals £15 /€20 For booking - Tel: 71262512

SERVICE OF HEALING AND RECONCILIATION for parents who have grieved after a miscarriage, abortion or death of a young baby will be celebrated at 7.15pm on **Tuesday 26th March**. Anyone wishing to enrol their baby's name in the Memorial Book may do so in the Sacristy today Sunday after Mass. All welcome

PASTORAL COUNCIL We are in the process of forming a new Pastoral Council. If you would like to put your name –or someone else's—forward for nomination please get in touch with Fr O’Kane at once.

ST. MARY’S CHURCH, CREGGAN is celebrating its 60th Anniversary in May. As part of the celebrations they are preparing a celebration of “The Glorious Mysteries”. Rehearsals in the church on Sunday afternoons. All welcome

SCRIPTURE FOR LENT: A short, 4 week course, on the Lenten readings, will begin at 10.30 am on Tuesday, March 19th March at The Emmaus Conference Centre beside Pennyburn Church. Each session will last one hour and be facilitated by Peter Boucher. All welcome

BHCP PRIZE BINGO in Community Centre Wednesday 27th March at 7pm. Books £5

FASTING is a Christian tradition which we preserve now on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. Meat production contributes almost 20% of greenhouse gas emissions. The Derry Diocesan *Laudato Si* Group ask that you might consider abstinence from meat on Fridays in Lent as a Lenten practice and a sign of Christian concern for our fragile world.

THORNHILL MINISTRIES’ CURRENT PROGRAMME

Music & Meditation (Tuesdays – 7:45 pm to 8:45 pm)

For more information, tel 71351233
www.thornhillministries.co.uk or email

thornhillministries@derrydiocese.org

ANNUAL YOUTH PILGRIMAGE TO CROAGH PATRICK takes place on Friday 5th April for young people aged between 16 and 25. Cost £30, which includes food and transport. Buses will be leaving from Derry. For more info tel Padraig 7126 4087 or email

padraig.delargy@derrydiocese.org

HURT The LEAD project: Free programme for 12 to 17 year olds. The Programme is about young people from all sections of the community taking the lead to do a community project that they design themselves.

HOLY FAMILY PILGRIMAGES 2019
MEDJUGORE 2nd –9th June
Deposit £100
LOURDES
11-16 July .
Savings and Deposits Thursday 8-9pm in Parochial House
Tel 07732468511 for details

NIGHT AT THE RACES Fr Chris Ferguson is running the London Marathon on 28th April in aid of the Foyle Hospice. A fundraising night is being held in the City Hotel on Friday 22nd March at 8pm. Entry is free. All Welcome

MELODIES & MEMORIES is a music group for people living with Alzheimer’s, their family members and friends. It is also open to older members of the community. We meet in St. Cecilia’s College, Bligh’s Lane, on Mondays, 3.30 – 5.30pm Contact 07561706815 or melandmem@icloud.com

THE FORGE WRITERS GROUP invites anyone who would like to permit the use of old photographs of the Outer North area (e.g. Ballyarnett, Shantallow, Skeoge) for an exhibition Tel Anne 71358787. or Mary@shantallow.net