

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!

THE VOCATION TO LOVE

Today, Good Shepherd Sunday
is also vocations Sunday.

The deepest wound of all is that
which affects the heart:

The feeling that one has not
been loved, that one is not
precious to anyone.

Many people today are
wounded at heart.

Each of us can do something to
hear their wounds.

We have hands that can make
things, and minds that can
understand things.

But above all we have hearts
that can give life.

We are not sterile people.

We can give life to people who
are inwardly broken.

We can show them that they are
important, and so bring life to
them. But all vocations are
vocations to love.



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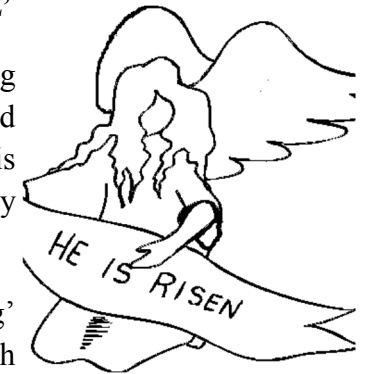
'I KNOW THEM AND THEY FOLLOW ME'

During this Easter season we are celebrating
the presence of the Risen Jesus in our lives and
in our world. Jesus tells us that he know his
flock and because of this 'knowing', they
follow him.

As Christians, we are called towards 'knowing'
God more intimately and more deeply. Each
of us, on our own journeys and paths,
vocations and ministries are part of this 'flock' because of the deep
desire to 'know' God more deeply. It is a very special thing. No matter
what our role is in this community, parish, church and so on, it is
important to remember what it is that brings us together—the desire to
know God and to know God's love and to share that love and knowledge
with others, especially those who are lost and at the margins.

Very often, those most 'lost' in our communities do not experience the
presence of the Christian community as they should, they can be cast
aside and excluded. Jesus tells us here, no one can snatch them out of
His hand.

This week can you try to recognise that deep desire within you to know
God more fully? What does that mean for you? What does that mean
for those you meet in your day to day life?



SYMPATHY We offer our sympathy to the family of Rita Duffy 6 Inchview who died during the week. May she rest in peace.



ANNIVERSARIES

Patrick Crawley, Mary McCamphill, Charlie Ramsay, James McLaughlin, Stella Cooke, Jim Quinn, Brendan McGeady, Tony McGeady, Tony McEleney, James Kelly

SUNDAY COLLECTION 10th April amounted to £2242.13 and €128.20 Thank you.

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

6.00p,m Emma Sheerin

12.30pm Nicole Coyle

OFFERTORY PROCESSION

600pm Ryan McGinley & family

12.30pm Gary O'Doherty & family

MASS FOR THE SICK will take place in Termonbacca on Tuesday 19th April, beginning at 8 p.m.

PETITION BOOK I have placed a book for petitions at Our Lady's Altar. Please feel free write your own prayers on it. These may later be included in the Prayers of the Faithful at Mass.

ST. COLUMBA'S FRATERNITY Meeting will take place in the Oratory on Wednesday 20th April at 6.00pm

BOOK LAUNCH Fr Peter McVerry SJ invites you to the launch of his book *The God of Mercy, The God of the Gospels* in Veritas, 20 Shipquay Street, on Thursday 21 April at 6pm. Everyone welcome.

TROCAIRE BOXES All remaining Trocaire Boxes should be handed in as soon as possible. Please return Trocaire boxes as soon as possible.

SINCERE THANKS from Sister Anne and Gerry Deeney to all who contributed in any way to the Easter Raffle in aid of the poor in Kenya, India, Brazil, Zambia, Peru and Chile, and by buying raffle lines, giving donations, etc. The total amount raised to date is £9662.29 plus €474 This money will be sent to the different sisters for their work. Mass is being offered for you all in thanksgiving for your generosity and ongoing support. May God reward and bless each of you in a special way

VIGIL OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS to Priesthood and Religious Life will be held on Friday 22 April at 7.30pm, in Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Steelstown, Bishop McKeown will celebrate Mass. This will be followed by Eucharistic Adoration. All welcome.

JUBILEE PILGRIMAGE As part of a *Jubilee Pilgrimage* with the *Icon of Our Mother of Perpetual Help* to the Cathedrals of Ireland, the Icon will visit St Eugene's Cathedral, from Mon 2 May to Tue 3 May Opening Liturgy and Veneration of the Icon at 4.30pm on Mon 2nd. Concelebrated Mass 7.30pm, Holy Hour 9.00pm. Tue 3rd: Morning Prayer 7.45am, Mass 8.00am, Concelebrated Mass 10.00am, closing with Veneration until 11.00am.

ACCORD Are you interested in joining a team that helps prepare couples for Marriage? Accord Derry are currently recruiting for their Marriage Care Team. For further information please contact: Rosemary Accord Derry 164 Bishop Street Derry Tel (71362475

MA IN CATHOLIC SCHOOL LEADERSHIP. Working in Partnership with Saint Mary's University, Twickenham, the Derry Diocese offers the MA in Catholic School Leadership. This is a post graduate degree dedicated to the professional development and spiritual formation of Catholic school leaders. If you are interested in starting the MA, in Autumn 2016, and would like further information, please contact Thérèse Ferry at the Derry Diocesan Catechetical Centre 02871264087 or email tferry@derrydiocese.org.

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.

LOUGH DERG JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY Pilgrimage

Season opens on Sunday 1st May tele 00353 719861518,

CONCERN WORLDWIDE

Bookshop in Ferryquay Street. second hand books required -. open 10 -4pm Monday-Saturday.

THE PLAYHOUSE 'Guests of a Nation' at The Playhouse on Friday 22 April, 8pm

Class Act School of Speech and Drama present their annual Spring show on Saturday 23 April, 5pm

www.derryplayhouse.co.uk.

MONTJHS MIND MASS for Martin Doherty formerly of Garden City, Tranarossan Ave & Moville. will take place at the Shrove Oratory, Greencastle at 7:30pm on Tuesday 19th of April .