

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 Wednesdays of the month
at 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

Thurs 7.45pm Scripture Group
New members always welcome!

Dear Parishioners,
We are delighted to announce that as of this weekend we will be live streaming our services for anyone who wishes to tune in from their homes. This is a special pastoral outreach to everyone, especially the housebound.

Although our suppliers have the camera focused on the Sanctuary, please be aware that you may be on camera from time to time.

You will be able to tune in on our parish website, **www.holyfamily-parish.com** or www.mcnmedia.tv

If you have a Smart tv and Wi-Fi there may be someone in your family to help you. If in difficulty please ring this number: (028) 87729580

if you want us to record a funeral or wedding for you please let us know in advance. This live streaming initiative will also be helpful to those who cannot get home for a family service to tune in anywhere in the world. Happy streaming!

Fr. Paddy



HOLY FAMILY CHURCH

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FATHERS'DAY

When my father Dominic began to show early signs of dementia I invited him to stay with me here in Holy Family parochial house. What a blessing his seven years here were not just to me but to the people of the parish. He loved going to wakes to say the rosary –and the cup of tea afterwards! Many here took him to their hearts.

I came to know of our Heavenly Father's unconditional love for us all because of my father's faithful love for me. Mind you , he never told my brothers and I he loved us until he got his dementia! However we knew it instinctively. He worked hard all his life holding down three jobs: auctioneer, farmer and post office manager. I hold his memory dear today, Fathers' Day which also happens to be the second anniversary of his death. I invite you to tell your dad you love him if alive or say a wee prayer for him if dead. The poem I wrote below is based on an incident that happened here several years ago.

GOODNIGHT

*I called to say 'goodnight'
To my father in his bed.
When a magic moment happened
For this is what he said:
'You'll call again to wish me well
before I start counting sheep'
'I've called,' I said 'at least three times
I now need to get some sleep.
Please tell me why you want me back'
Not expecting these words of grace:
'My heart just jumps with joy, my son
Each time I see your face'.*

SYMPATHY We offer our sympathy to the family of Ryan Crawford Templegrove who died during the week. May he rest in peace.

ANNIVERSARIES

Dominic O'Kane, Ann Deehan
John, Bridget and George Doherty
Robert Curran,

SUNDAY COLLECTION 10th June
£1985.30 €141.98

We have been asked to have a collection for the **World Meeting of Families** this weekend. As we do not have second collections here please put a little extra in the collection.

ANNUAL SERVICE OF INTERCESSION FOR THE DEAD

takes place in the City Cemetery today Sunday, 17th June at **6.00 pm**. Please be in position at 5.30 pm. Families are asked to bring their own holy water with them to the Cemetery for the blessing of the graves. At the appropriate time Bishop McKeown will ask a representative of each family to sprinkle their family grave. There will be no holy water in the Cemetery.

DERRY DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOUGH DERG,

led by Bishop Donal McKeown, will take place Friday 22– Sunday 24 June. Coach travelling from St Eugene's Cathedral. For pilgrims travelling by coach, the cost will be £80. Tel; Diocesan Catechetical Centre 71264087 or email: rebecca.odoherty@derrydiocese.org

THORNHILL MINISTRIES
Forthcoming Events: Afternoon Tea for Past Pupils/Boarders of Thornhill College 29 July

We are Spiritual Beings on a Human Journey' - Summer Retreat to help us look reflectively at life's experiences - 10 to 15 August.

Immersed in Heaney' – Includes the 'Essence of Heaney' workshop and visit to Homeplace, Bellaghy – 31 August/1 September.

Holy Land Retreat – 11 to 20 October. Three places still remaining. Booking is essential for the above. For details, please contact Thornhill Ministries at 71351233 or email thornhillministries@derrydiocese.org.

RALLY FOR LIFE – The 12th **All Ireland Rally for Life** will be held in Belfast on Saturday 7th July at 2pm. It is vitally important that we all stand together for life and show the world that the pro-life movement in Ireland - North and South - remains strong and undefeated. For more information tel 9027 8484 or visit www.rallyforlife.net

AUTISM INITIATIVES – Support for Adults with Autism

Do you have an Autistic Spectrum Condition (ASC) and living independently? If so, Autism Initiatives currently provide a FREE 1-1 floating support service to help you with the skills you need to improve your quality of life. ring 02871 318172 or 07792422680, or email thomas.carlin@ai-ni.co.uk

St. CECILIA'S SCHOOL 50th Anniversary Celebration
Dinner Friday 22nd June in the City Hotel at 7.30pm. Tickets are now on sale at our office, priced at £30.

CHILDREN IN CROSSFIRE join in a climb up Croagh Patrick on the 30th June. A bus will be provided as will tea and scones. Mass will be celebrated in the mountain top chapel by Fr Neil Farren. To sign up contact shauna.oneill@childrenincrossfire.org or 71269898

THE SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL would greatly appreciate any donations of summer clothing for men, ladies and children. Donations can be left at Vincent's shop in William Street or collection can be arranged by calling 71 265489.

SOLAS A Special needs charity has put out an urgent appeal for **Retired Teachers** to help provide 1:1 support to children, with additional educational needs-ring 02890 247600, Mobile 07729 779242 or email anne@solasbt7.com for info

EYE TESTING FOR THE HOUSEBOUND Local opticians Douglas & Cobane offer a FREE home visiting service for the housebound, also specialist eye testing for those with Autism and learning disabilities. Call 02871 343803

HOLY FAMILY PILGRIMAGE

MEDJUGORE

29th August 7 nights

Deposit £100

Savings scheme Thursday nights 8-9pm at Parochial House

Tel 07732468511 for details

FOYLE INTERNATIONAL Local families needed to host International students for summer months. Contact HOST@foyle.eu / 07912085171

COMPASSIONATE COMMUNITIES is a scheme within the Foyle Hospice in partnership with Hillcrest Trust and Ballymagroarty Hazelbank Community Partnership and Shantallow Community Centre. We are looking for volunteers to befriend someone who is isolated due to their illness. Could you give 1-2 hours a week to offer support and friendship to someone in their own home? Contact Leann on 07841101932 email leann@compassionatecommunitiesnw.com for more information.

ENERGY OF LIGHT DISCOS

Friday 29 June/Friday 20 July/Friday 31 August 8.30pm – 10.30pm/11pm
Millennium Forum - Studio Theatre
Cost: £3

This is a monthly disco for 15+ who are experiencing limited physical, sensory and or learning disability. DJ Oliver will have you dancing to a range of music including pop, country and the very best of dance hits.