

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
Weekdays after evening Mass

BAPTISM COURSES

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

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

MARRIAGES Three months notice

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PARISH GROUPS

Thurs 7.45pm Scripture Group
New members always welcome!

FORGIVENESS

When we forgive we free ourselves of the burden of bitterness, and we free the other person of the burden of guilt.

But our forgiveness must come from the heart, which means it must be true, sincere, and warm.

A cold forgiveness is not much use.

Forgiveness should start now. Putting it off only deepens the wound, prolongs bitterness, and postpones happiness.

Life is short, time is fleeting. Today is the day to forgive.

Lord, deliver us from the poison of bitterness, and give us the grace to forgive from the heart those who have offended us.

The we will know the warmth of your forgiveness.

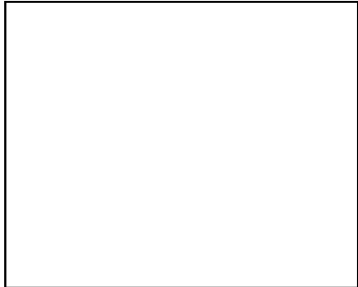


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MEDJUGORJE

During our recent parish pilgrimage to this sacred shrine I had the great privilege of being present in a room with many other priests when Our Lady was appearing to Ivan one of the visionaries. Afterwards he had this message for all the priests present that Our Lady was sending a special blessing to all the parishes of all the priests present. *Mary, Queen of Peace pray for us.*



CONGRATULATIONS

We congratulate Sister Ann on her Golden Jubilee. We had a wonderful day of celebration on Thursday both in Thornhill with the special Mass and later at meal in the Everglades Hotel. May God continue you to bless her abundantly and reward her for all the good work she does in service of Kingdom of God. It would have been sister Kathleen's anniversary too. May God bless her gentle soul.

Below is a copy of letters I have written both to Bishop Ken Good and Archdeacon Robert Millar.

*Dear Bishop Ken,/ Robert
Just a note on behalf of the people of this parish to express our utter revulsion at the satanic attack on your church. The whole city was shocked. One wonders what evil minds could do such a sacrilegious act of vandalism. If there is anything we can do to help please let me know. You are all in our thoughts and prayers at this sad and difficult time.*

SUNDAY COLLECTION 10th Sept £21963.33 and €141.10

ANNIVERSARIES

Sean Canney Martin McCay, Eileen McLaughlin, Patrick Harkin, John & Teresa Mullan, Gavin Large John & Eileen McElwee Agnes Doherty, Eddie & Rosaleen Keogh

Anniversaries next week.

Monday 7.15: John Dixon

LEARN YOUR FAITH – Group gathering each Tuesday evening to read the YOUCAT, the Youth Catechism. All age groups welcome Meeting in Parish Hall, Chapel Road, Beginning Tuesday 5 September at 7pm. Contact Fr Roland Colhoun at roland@derrydiocese.org

CALLING ALL PILGRIMS

Bishop Donal McKeown invites parishioners throughout the diocese to join with him in going on pilgrimage to Knock on Saturday 23 September. For details, tel Sr Perpetua 71351233

THORNHILL MINISTRIES'

GOING DEEPER' for those moving deeper into prayer and contemplation begins 18 September 9:45am – 1:30pm for 6 weeks. In Thornhill House 121 Culmore Rd Tel for details 71351233

www.thornhillministries.co.uk

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

ANNUAL PIONEER MASS will take place in Thornhill Church on Sunday 1st Octo at 3.00pm,

DAY OF RENEWAL: Omagh Charismatic Prayer Group is hosting a Day of Renewal on Sunday 8 October in the Mellon Country Hotel, Omagh Registration 9am. Cost: £25 (incl lunch & tea/coffee). Booking essential to facilitate catering. Tel:8224 2092

40 Days for Life – From **Wednesday 27th Sept to Sunday 5th Nov**, Precious Life is urging all Christians to unite in a focused 40 Day campaign to end abortion. Please pray, fast and join our prayer vigils For more info and your FREE Prayer Pack please contact: 90278484 or info@preciouslife.com

TWO PRO-LIFE world renowned experts, Dr. Angela Lanfranchi and Professor Priscilla Coleman from the USA will speak on the link between abortion and breast cancer and abortion's harmful effects on women's mental health on Saturday 30th September 2017 in the Ashling Hotel, Dublin 8 (near Heuston Station) 9.30am to 4pm. Entry €20. Hosted by 'Ask Majella' Pregnancy Counselling, a project of Human Life International. For more info Tel. 094-9375993. Both of these women have been featured in the recent multi award winning documentary film 'HUSH'. www.hushfilm.com

Accord Derry Marriage Preparation Workshops
January 12/13th February 16/17th
March 9/10th April 13/14th
May 11/12th June 8/9th
Booking online at www.accordni.com

Coffee Morning in aid of Ray of Sunshine Foundation Columba House, Queen Street, will host a coffee morning in aid of the Ray of Sunshine Foundation on Friday 22nd September from 11am-2pm. All proceeds towards building a rescue centre in Mombasa, Kenya for children rescued from the sex trafficking industry. For further information tel 71 262407.

5 DAY SILENT RETREAT:

Foyer of Light, Charity & Love 'If you but knew the gift of God...' Preached by: Fr. Kilian Byrne in Dromantine Retreat Centre, Newry, Co. Down October 23rd - 29th £360stg full board Contact: Helen : 00353 86 1678027, www.foyerofcharity.ie

HIKE TO CROAGH PATRICK: Do you fancy a trip to Westport, combined with a hike of one of Ireland's famous mountains 'Croagh Patrick on Friday 6th October, for those aged 16+. Cost £30 includes dinner and bus. For further details or to get a booking form, please contact Diocesan Catechetical Centre on 71264087 email:rebecca.odoherty@derrydiocese.org

IRISH CONVERSATION: Do you want to brush up on your Gaeilge or learn a cúpla focail in a friendly and relaxed environment? come along to the meeting of Ciorcal Comhrá An Bheart, on Tuesday, September 19th, in An Grianán Hotel, Burt at 8.00 pm. Everyone welcome

CHILDREN IN CROSSFIRE Climb Mount Errigal on Saturday 23rd September transport provided Places still available contact Derek Lishman on 07518435755. Email staylor61@hotmail.com

Community Family Fun Day at Doire Colmcille GAA pitch on Lowry's Lane. Saturday 23rd September from 12pm-3pm. Fun and games for all. All welcome.

FOYLE FAMILY HISTORY SOCIETY Foyle Family History Society is holding the first meeting of the 2017/18 season on Monday 18th September in the Central Library at 7pm. All welcome.

St Mary's College Derry will host a free Irish Cultural night on Friday 22nd of September There will be Irish music and dancing and a céilí. from 5 -6.30pm.

TRADITIONAL IRISH MUSIC AND DANCE classes are starting back Studio 2! Adults Mixed Instruments on Mondays and tin whistle, fiddle, mixed strings and ceili dance on Thursdays. For more information please call 7135 8750