

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 @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 COSY (Citizens Of Senior Years) Club, based in Hazelbank will be holding it's annual Christmas Overnight Party at the Clanree Hotel in Letterkenny, Donegal on the 12th and 13th December. Transport, Accommodation, Entertainment and Christmas Meal and Breakfast is all included for £50. There are a few places left for Senior Citizens from other areas of the city. If you or someone in your group would like to come along. Please contact Frank at the cosy club on 028 71 370196 or on cosyclub@yahoo.com.

BALLYMAGROARTY

COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION will be holding a Christmas Craft fair in the community centre at Shaw Court on Sunday 6th Dec 12 - 4pm. All proceeds will go towards Christmas events in the area. Everyone Welcome

BUNSCOIL Steelstown Rd. There will be an Open Night in the school on Tuesday 1st December from 7.00 – 8.00 i.n. The closing time and date for applications is midday on 13th January 2016 and forms are available for both via the school.

Eye testing for the housebound

Local opticians Douglas & Cobane offer a FREE home visiting service for the housebound. They also provide specialist eye testing for children with special educational needs. To make an appointment please visit the practice at 46 Spencer Road, or tele 71 343803.



HOLY FAMILY CHURCH

Sun 22nd Nov 2015 Vol.32 No 47

OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST UNIVERSAL KING

'Neither a borrower not a lender be'
Good advice but one that wasn't followed by Christ. Today we celebrate his Kingship at a time when monarchy is so rare. A king who began his reign lying on the wood of a manger and ended it nailed to a cross, stripped of a soldiers purple cloak. None of them his own. Our King of Friday.

He was always borrowing things. He borrowed Peter's boat to preach from. He borrowed a donkey to ride on when he came to Jerusalem. He borrows bread and wine to make his body move and his blood flow throughout the centuries. He borrowed wood, thorns and nails to redeem the universe. Even in death he borrowed a tomb.

He hasn't finished yet. He will borrow you. You will be his tongue and his throat parched. You will be his hands and his feet nailed. You will be his head thorned. You will be his side lanced. You will be his body stripped. You will be his corpse, buried. He will go on borrowing things until the end of time, until he has borrowed them all and made them holy. When the borrowing is over, we will be his sisters and brothers, risen and unspeakably happy.



SYMPATHY We offer our sympathy to the family and friends of Bernie Helps Magill Court who died during the week. May she rest in peace.

BAPTISMS Our parish family welcomes:

Jorja Laura Bonner

14 Drumlaheen Cres

Tiana Mary Elizabeth Lynch

7 Gogarty Close

Charlie Ward 14 Kinnego Park

Caelan William McCormick

4 Drumard Park

Amelia Beth Phelan 4 Farmhill

Carly Ellen Robinson 32 Pinetrees

Katie Frankie McGinley

4 Meadowview Cres.

NOVENA Our Parish Novena continues tomorrow (**Monday**) at the 7.15pm Mass

ANNIVERSARIES We pray for William Beattie, Rosaleen Bradley Aidan Ryder, Diarmuid McMonagle Raymond Askin, Vincent Brady, Daniel McCay, Sarah McDowell, Joan Nixon

SUNDAY COLLECTION 15th November amounted to £2176.24 and €168.70 Thank you

GROUP GUIDED PRAYER Thursdays immediately after evening Mass for quiet reflective prayer on the Gospel for Sunday. All welcome
PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

6.00pm Aoife Doherty

12.30pm Jessica Devine

OFFERTORY PROCESSION

6.00pm Niamh O’Kane & Family

12.30pm Evie Gallagher & Family

PARISH CHRISTMAS DRAW

This weekend books of tickets may be picked up again at all church exits or if you simply wish to buy a single ticket you may do so as your leave. Please continue to support our Christmas Draw.

THE YEAR OF MERCY: Thornhill Ministries will lead a reflective look at the essence of God's mercy, the prompting of Pope Francis and exploring the possibilities that the Jubilee Year of Mercy will present - in Steelstown Conference Room on Sunday 29 November from 7:00 to 8:00 pm. Suggested donation: £2

ST. MARY’S COLLEGE, is holding a special Mass on Thursday 26th November at 7.00 p.m. in the college for deceased past pupils, staff and governors. If you would like your loved one to be remembered during the Mass please contact the college on Tel71362154 or email mmckinney822@c2kni.net

Advent Awakening Thornhill Ministries is offering Sung Morning Prayer and a period of meditation on the Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays of Advent to help people quietly prepare for Christmas. Begins at 9:15 am and ends at 9:55am in Thornhill Convent, Culmore Rd

Advent Retreat Day in An Grianan Hotel, Burt on Tuesday 1 December from 10:00 am to 2:30 pm. Includes an opportunity for personal and guided reflections and Eucharist. Lunch provided. Cost: £25. All welcome Tel Erin on 71351233
HOLY FAMILY SCHOOL Rickety Wheel and Craft fair Wednesday 9th December 7.00pm. Tel 07974351828 if you are willing to help in any way
ACCORD MARRIAGE PREPARATION WORKSHOPS
January 15th/16th 2016
February 12th/13th 2016
March 11th/12th 2016
Venue: Ardmore Parish Centre
Booking online; www.accord-ni.co.uk

HOLY FAMILY SCHOOL OPEN DAY Prospective parents and pupils are invited to Holy Family School Open Day on Fri 4th Dec, 10am-12noon. Tel 71267798 for more info.

ST COLUMB’S COLLEGE’S school show “Jekyll & Hyde” takes place on the 1st 2nd & 3rd of December at 8.00pm in the school. Tickets are on sale at the school office. Ticket Children/Student Concessionary £5, Adult £8, Family ticket £20. Tel 71285000

Students from St Columb’s College have designed a range of Christmas cards that will be sold for the children’s cancer charity CLIC Sargent. Cards in packs of 8, will be available to buy from the school from

PARISH PILGRIMAGES HOLY LAND

From 8th-15th October 2016. **Cost:** £1275. Deposit £150.

3 nights Galilee, 4 nights Jerusalem Flying directly from Belfast

**MEDJUGORJE /
DUBROVNIK**
1st-8th MAY

LOURDES
16th July

Savings scheme now started in the Parochial House each

the end of November.

FRIENDS OF ST CECILIA’S COLLEGE Annual Christmas Fair On Thursday 26th November at 7p.m. In St Cecilia’s College, Bligh’s Lane, All Welcome.

CHRITMAS BONANZA in Termonbacca on Saturday 28th Nov. 12-4pm. Book your table £15 Tel 07704958926

APA: A Partnership with Africa **Handbags and GladRags Charity Boutique** sale of pre-loved clothes and accessories to mark World Aids Day. Wednesday Dec 2nd @7.30 pm in Playhouse Adm: £5 including refreshments. All donations welcome. Phone or text Peigi MOB