

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

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Parish Sisters 71260398
Holy Family School 71267798
St. Eithne's School 71377077

PARISH GROUPS

Tues: 8pm Choir Practice
Thurs 7.45pm Scripture Group
New members welcome!

YOUTH 2000 invites all young adults between 16-35 to a weekend retreat for 16-18th October at Lough Derg. Tel 07598876399 or www.youth2000.ie

CHILDREN IN CROSSFIRE are hosting a quiz night on Thursday 1st October 2015 in the Everglades Hotel at 7.30pm. Teams of 6 £10 per person Everyone welcome

Park Medical & Great James Street Health Centre plan to offer Flu Vaccinations on **Saturday 03 October 2015 and Saturday 17 October 2015**. If you normally get the flu vaccination, please contact the surgery to make an appointment. tele 71378500. Pregnant patients may also get their flu vaccination at this clinic. Patients should note that letters will not be sent this year.

PRAXIS CARE relies on the support of volunteers both male and female to visit those lonely or isolated due to their mental ill health.

If you feel you could befriend someone and give a commitment of a few hours per week please contact Phyllis on 71308020 for further information.

Training is given and travel expenses will be reimbursed.

Your friendship could make all the difference.



HOLY FAMILY CHURCH

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REMOVE THE STUMBLING BLOCKS

Earlier in the Gospel of Mark the disciples were arguing about who amongst them was the greatest; in any group there is bound to be the occasional dispute! Today they are complaining that people, who are not part of the gang, are performing works in Jesus' name. The disciples are eager to pass judgement, yet Jesus is asking them not to focus so much on how other people are a stumbling block to the Gospel but to look inwards and ask themselves how they are doing? What stumbling blocks do they put in their way or in the way of others?

It is easy to point the finger at major corporations and poor leadership and think that there is nothing we can do about climate injustice. As this season of 'Creation Time' draws to a close, let us really celebrate by committing to small actions and being part of the solution and not a stumbling block.

'Common destiny beckons us to seek a new beginning ...Let ours be a time remembered for the awakening of a new reverence for life, the firm resolve to achieve sustainability, the quickening of the struggle for justice and peace, and the joyful celebration for life'
(Pope Francis, Laudato SI)

BAPTISMS Our Parish family welcomes:

Kaylaa Elizabeth McDaid
12 Farland Way
Harry Paul White 5 Grainan Court
Finn Daniel Walsh 8 Ardglan Park

ANNIVERSARIES We pray for
Brenda O'Flaherty, William Murray
Margaret Campbell Johnny Wallis
Patrick Friel Curran, May Grant
Molly Cassidy

FIRST FRIDAY Friday is the first Friday of October Fr O'Kane will visit the sick who will be contacted by phone. Confessions will be at the usual times on Thursday. There will be a Holy Hour on Thursday 7.45pm

BIG INVITE If you would still like to help just come to the upper room on Monday, Tuesday or Wedn at 6.50pm.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER For OCTOBER

Vigil Mass Joanne Gallagher
Danny Kivelehan Monica Barr,
Gemma O'Donnell

9.30 am Mass Brian Doherty
Marie McClelland Eugene Mellon
Una Morrison

11.00am Mass Jacqueline McCarron Lynn Kelly, Eamon McChrystal
Maeve Deans.

12.30 pm Shannon McDermott
Matthew Woodcock John Garnon

Michelle McGrone
GROUP GUIDED PRAYER
Thursdays immediately after evening Mass for quiet reflective prayer on the Gospel for Sunday. All welcome

READERS FOR OCTOBER

Vigil: Paddy Breslin,
Myra Merrigan

9.30am Brenda Coyle,
Patricia Houston

11.00am Martin Doherty,
Kathleen Quinn

12.30pm Gabriell Deans,
Marcella Patterson

SUNDAY COLLECTION 20th Sept amounted to £2222.97 and €164.27 Thank you

HEALING MASS The Columba Community will celebrate a healing Mass followed by individual prayer for healing on Thurs 1st October in St Columba's LongTower at 7.30pm .

FIRST FRIDAY MASS will be celebrated on Friday, 2nd October at 7.30 p.m. in Our Lady of Lourdes Chapel, Steelstown Road followed by Adoration until midnight.

MARIAN DEVOTIONS - on Tuesday 6th October at 7.30pm. in Termonbacca

MASS AND BLESSING OF ROSES for the Feast of St Therese - will take place in Termonbacca on

Thursday 1st Oct, at 8pm . - Bring a rose to have blessed.

YOUTH MINISTRY – DIOCESAN CONFERENCE will take place in Thornhill College, Culmore Road, on Saturday 24th October, beginning at 9.30am. The keynote speaker will be John Mc Areavey. All those interested in helping young people to be part of the Church are warmly invited. The fee, which includes lunch and refreshments, is £20 or €27. Booking is essential. For a booking form please contact your parish office or Derry Diocesan Catechetical Centre 71264087 or email ddcc@derrydiocese.org

THE IRISH PILGRIMAGE TRUST travels to Lourdes every Easter Sunday with young people and children from all over Ireland. The Derry groups are currently accepting applications from young people with a disability. If there is a young person that you feel would be eligible and would benefit from a trip to Lourdes please contact Alice O'Hagan on 00353863460522 or Jimmie on 07802545282 for further details and an application form.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION WORKSHOPS 2/3rd October and 6/7th November Venue: Ardmore Parish Centre Booking online; www.accord-ni.co.uk Courses are held on Fridays from 7pm to 10pm and continue on Saturday from 10am-

PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO HOLY LAND

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

3 nights Galilee, 4 nights
Jerusalem Flying directly from
Dublin to Tel Aviv

Savings scheme now started in
the Parochial House each

Thursday evening from 8-9pm.

Contact Parochial House for
Itinerary

World Youth Day 2016 Next year, the Derry Diocese will be bringing a pilgrimage of young people to Kraków, Poland from Friday 22nd July – Monday 1st August. If you are aged between 18 – 35, and would like to take part then contact the Catechetical Centre 71264087 Registration closes on **Monday 30th November 2015.**

ACCORD DERRY Marriage and Relationship Counselling Service

If you can't talk to each other – Try talking to us.... For an appointment or further information please contact:

Accord Derry 71362475
E;derry@accordni.com

ANAM CARA is holding its monthly Parent Evening on Thursday 8th of October 2015 from 19:30 to 21:00 in the Mount Errigal Hotel, Letterkenny,