

### 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

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### PARISH GROUPS

Thurs 7.45pm Scripture Group  
New members always welcome!

### St.. CECILIA'S COLLEGE

Year 8, 12 & 13 Thursday 1<sup>st</sup>  
September

Year 11 & 14 Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> Sept.  
Whole school Monday 5<sup>th</sup> Sep-  
tember

**School will begin at 8.45**  
**a.m**

### RETURN TO SCHOOL

#### St.. MARY'S

Year 13 only all day Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> August  
and Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> Sept

Year 8 All day Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2  
Years 9 – 14 pm only (12.40 p.m.)  
Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> September

Normal buses will be provided.

#### St Joseph's Boys' School

Monday 29<sup>th</sup> August from 10.30 am –  
12.00 noon for all Year 9 and from  
1.30 pm – 3.00 pm for all Year 10  
Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> August from 10.30 am –  
12.00 noon for all Year 11 and from  
2.00 pm – 3.30pm for all Year 12

The introduction to the school year  
begins: Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> August at 8.40  
am – 12.00 noon - Year 9, Year 10,  
Year 11 and Year 14 Induction only  
Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> September at 8.40 am –  
12.00 noon – Year 8, Year 12 and Year  
13 Induction only

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> September at 8.40am Classes  
begin for all Year groups

#### THORNHILL COLLEGE.

Monday 29<sup>th</sup> August: Years 13

Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> August: Year 14

Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> September: Year 8 Pupils

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> September: All pupils  
except Year 8

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> September: Whole School



## HOLY FAMILY CHURCH

Sun 28th Aug 2016 Vol.33 No 34

### THE KINGDOM OF GOD

*The people walk upon their heads, the sea is made of sand,  
The children go to school at night, in Topsy Turvy Land.  
The front step is at the back, you're walking when you stand,  
You wear your hat upon your feet, in Topsy Turvy Land*

Everything is upside down and back to front these past few weeks. Have you been following the train of thought in the Gospel readings? First we had Jesus talking about how he has come to bring division, rather than peace. Next we heard him tell people that the first will be last and the last first. Today he turns our expectations on their head again, this time offering a lesson on humility. We should not 'exalt' ourselves or take the place of honour among our friends and acquaintances; rather we should 'humble ourselves and take the lowest place'. When we throw a party, we ought to invite those in need rather than our friends, family or rich, influential people—because we should expect nothing in return for kindness or generosity. Jesus seems to enjoy a 'topsy-turvy' approach to life. Following him means thinking differently from the rest of the world. –wearing our hat on our feet so to speak! Yes, his kingdom makes no sense unless we have eyes to see and hearts to love.

**SYMPATHY** We offer our sympathy to the family of Susan McCloskey Hawthorn Way who died during the week. May she rest in peace.

**BAPTISM** Our parish family welcomes:  
Riley John Devlin,  
Charlie Lewis Devlin  
and Farrah Devlin Pump St..

**FIRST FRIDAY** Friday is the first Friday of September. There will be a Holy hour on Thursday from 7.45

**ANNIVERSARIES** Annie Lyons  
Geraldine Healy, Tony Quigley,  
Eamon Bradley, Fr. Joe Carolan, Fr  
Pat McBride and Fr Kieran Devlin  
Tony McGrellis Billy O'Donnell

**SUNDAY COLLECTION**  
**11th August** amounted to £2015.11  
and €134.25. Thank you.

**EUCCHARISTIC MINSTERS FOR SEPTEMBER**  
**Vigil Mass** Rhianna McLaughlin  
Sr. Paula Courtney Ward,  
Sorcha Brady,

**9.30am** Marianne McClelland  
Myra Grant, Doreen Rice Wray

**11.00am** Theresa Ferry,  
Jackie Quigg Margaret Hamilton  
Danielle Archer

**12.30 a.m.** Elaine McCloskey  
Mary McLaughlin

## READERS FOR SEPTEMBER

6.00pm Sr. Anne  
9.30am Ken Austin  
11.00am Jackie Conway  
12.30pm Patricia Murphy

**Saint Eithne's Primary School** The principal and staff of look forward to welcoming the boys and girls for the new school year at 9:00am on Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> September 2016.

## BLESSING OF MOTORBIKERS

A Blessing of Motorbikers will take place in St. Aengus' Church, Burt on Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> September at 1.30pm. This year, we are having a short prayer service and blessing for all bikers and their bikes. All are very welcome from all faiths and none. There will be a collection taken up for the R.N.L.I. at the church and a Motorbike Run to the R.N.L.I. Station at Ned's Point, Buncrana.

**10TH ANNIVERSARY MASS** for the late Sister Anne McDaid of Loreto House, Linsfort will be celebrated in Star of the Sea Church, Desertegney, Buncrana on the 11th September at 3pm. All welcome. Cup of tea will be served in the parish hall after mass.

**HELP** The local SVP Society is sending another container to Greece. Please donate food, clothing, nappies, pushchairs shoes and toiletries. Bring any donations to Mass on Sunday and leave outside the sacristy.

**TRÓCAIRE** is now recruiting new volunteers. If you are interested in volunteering your services, please visit [www.trocaire.org/getinvolved/](http://www.trocaire.org/getinvolved/) volunteer or freephone 0800 912 1200

**LOUGH DERG**, offers **One Day Retreats** on 4<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> September.

Take time out in the nurturing peace of the Island and cross the threshold of the Holy Door in St Patrick's Basilica Only a few months remain of this *Jubilee Year of Mercy*

**A Day of Friendship & Prayer** on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> September.

**Living With Suicide** on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> September. Advance booking is essential for all Retreats. For further information contact Maureen or Lorraine on 071 9861518.

Email: [info@loughderg.org](mailto:info@loughderg.org) [www.loughderg.org](http://www.loughderg.org)

**PIONEERS & FRIENDS** One Day Pilgrimage to Lough Derg on Sat 3rd Sept. Cost £40 includes Boat fare, and refreshments. Tel Andrew 71352285 or Kathleen 71347883 for details.

**ANAM CARA**, the national organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding its next monthly Parent Evening on Thursday 8th of September from 7 to 9pm in the Mount Errigal Hotel, Letterkenny. This event is open to all bereaved parents.

**PARISH PILGRIMAGE HOLY LAND** (half board)  
From 9th-17th October 2016.  
**Cost:** £1275.€1495. Deposit  
£150.

3 nights Galilee, 4 nights  
Jerusalem Flying directly  
from Dublin

Tel Margaret 07732468511  
Savings scheme now started in  
the Parochial House each  
Thursday evening from 8-9pm.

## HIKE TO CROAGH PATRICK:

Do you fancy a trip to Westport, Co Mayo combined with a hike of one of Ireland's most famous mountains 'Croagh Patrick'? The trip will be on Friday, 7th October, for those aged 16+. Cost £30 includes dinner and bus. For further details about the trip or if you require a booking form, Derry Catechical Centre on 02871264087 or email [ddcc@derrydiocese.org](mailto:ddcc@derrydiocese.org).

**CULLEN SCHOOL OF IRISH DANCING** classes resume in Shantallow Community Centre and in GAA clubhouse Tel. 71264548 for details.

U3A Foyle's Open & Enrolment Day for their new Autumn Programme will be held on Tuesday, 6<sup>th</sup> September 2016 from 10am- 3pm. **71860123**, email Christine  
on [info@u3afoyle.com](mailto:info@u3afoyle.com)