

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!

CANDLE-LIGHT ROSARY FOR LIFE - for the protection of Ireland's unborn babies, outside Marie Stopes Belfast at 4pm on Saturday 12th December, the Feast of Our Lady of Guadeloupe. For more information contact [028 9027 8484](tel:02890278484) or info@preciouslife.com

Epilepsy Action NI Foyle branch Coffee & Chat meeting Tuesday 1st Dec 11:00 Austins 3rd floor restaurant. All welcome.

ROAD SAFETY WEEK a leaflet for Road Safety Sunday has been compiled aimed to provoking thought for your neighbour whilst using the road. it is endorsed by the four main Church Leaders in the City and will be available at Masses this weekend.

Christmas Variety Concert Fundraiser will be held in St. Mary's College, Northland Road at 7pm on Sunday 6th December. Family Tickets £15, Adults £5, Concessionary £3 For tickets contact the Derry Diocesan Catechetical Centre on **71264087** Proceeds in aid of Diocesan World Youth Day Pilgrimage - July 2016

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



HOLY FAMILY CHURCH

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ADVENT

Advent is a time of waiting. We wait for birth, for love, for life itself to reveal its meaning and purpose. We wait for the seed to spring into growth and then wait for the harvest.

Those who were sick or who tossed all night in fretful sleep waited patiently for this morning's dawn. The mother waits for her wandering child to come home. Most of what is worthwhile in life takes time.

The three people we will be hearing more of during the next few weeks are Isaiah, the prophet who foretold his coming, his cousin John the Baptist and Mary, his mother. Let us listen to what each has to tell us.



SYMPATHY We offer our sympathy to the family of Janes O'Hagan Cashelmore Pk who died during the week. May he rest in peace.

BAPTISMS Our parish family
Shea Anthony Dalzell
72 Springvale Park

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

FIRST FRIDAY Friday is the first Friday of December. All the sick will be attended nearer to the Feast of Christmas. There will be a Holy Hour on Thursday from 7.45-8.45pm

ANNIVERSARIES We pray for
Mary Breslin Hugh Brown
Jim McMonagle, Lily Sweeney,
William Doherty Albert McCullagh
Patsy Ferguson, Dan Lyons
Florrie McCafferty, Gerry McAuley

SUNDAY COLLECTION 22nd November amounted to £2176.24 and €177.84 Thank you

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL
6.00pm Connor Gallagher

12.30pm Jodie McCallion

READERS FOR DECEMBER

6.00pm Sr. Anne

9.30am Ken Austin

11.00am Jackie Conway

12.30pm Patricia Murphy
Ben Strawbridge

ADVENT EXTRA Magazine will be on sale this weekend price £1.50

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS
DECEMBER

Vigil Mass Paul Kyte Sr. Paula Courtney Ward, Sorcha Brady,

9.30am Marianne McClelland Myra Grant, Doreen Rice Wray

11.00am Theresa Ferry, Jackie Quigg Margaret Hamilton Madeline Austin

12.30 a.m. Gerry Sharkey Bronagh Sharkey, Betty Mc Callion Mary McLaughlin

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.

MARIAN DEVOTIONS will take place in Termonbacca on Tuesday 1st December at 7.30 p.m

Advent Retreat Day in An Grianan Hotel, Burt on Tuesday 1 December from 10:00am—2:30pm. Lunch provided. Cost: £25. All welcome Tel Erin on 71351233

BHCP are having a Parents Information Evening on substance misuse in the Ballymagroarty / Hazelbank area. on Wednesday 2nd Dec, 7pm, Holy Family School

Music at Funerals: Anyone who, on occasion, provides music at funerals, either as a singer or musician, is invited to a meeting in the choir room at St Eugene's Cathedral on Tuesday 1 December from 8:00 to 9:00 pm. Please confirm your attendance by tel Sr Perpetua at 71351233 thornhillministries@derrydiocese.org.

ADVENT AWAKENING Thornhill Ministries is offering Sung Morning Prayer and a period of meditation on the Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays of Advent. Begins at 9:15 am and ends at 9:55am in Thornhill Convent, Culmore Rd

FOLLOW THE STAR to the Celtic Garden Christmas Trail at the IOSAS Centre, Muff. An interactive family experience to recapture the true spirit of Christmas and learn about some of the Christian stories behind our favourite Christmas traditions. Contact the IOSAS Centre 00353) 749384866

ST BERNADETTE'S PLAYGROUP Application Forms now available for Sept. 2016 for 3-4 years old.

SAINT EITHNE'S PRIMARY SCHOOL Annual Rickety Wheel with Santa's Grotto on Wednesday 2nd December at 7:00pm .

ALSO OPEN DAY Wednesday 9th December 6pm-7.30pm Prospective parents and P1 pupils are invited to attend. Tel 71377077 for information

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 Thursday evening from 8-9pm.

HOLY FAMILY SCHOOL Rickety Wheel and Craft fair Wednesday 9th December 7.00pm.

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

ST COLUMB'S COLLEGE school show "Jekyll & Hyde" on the 1st 2nd & 3rd of December at 8.00pm . Tel 71285000 Students have designed a range of Christmas cards that will be sold for the children's cancer charity .

CHRISTMAS CHARITY FLORAL DEMONSTRATION by John Paul in aid of Brain Tumour Research. In the Everglades Hotel, Tuesday 15th December 7:30pm Tickets £8 from John Paul Florist or The Everglades