

ADVENT DIARY

Sunday 1 December	Advent Service (6 pm)*	St Mary's Church
Sunday 8 December	Advent Service (6 pm)*	St Mary's Church
Monday 9 December	Solemnity of The Immaculate Conception (10 am)	St Mary's Church
Wednesday 11 December	Walking Carol Service (7 pm)	Starting at St Mary's Church
Sunday 15 December	'Bambinelli' Sunday Blessing of 'Infant Jesus' figures	All Masses
Sunday 15 December	Advent Service (6 pm)*	St Mary's Church
Monday 16 December	St Finlough's School Carol Service (7 pm)	St Finlough's Church
Wednesday 18 December	Penance Service (7.30 pm)	Christ the King Church
Thursday 19 December	Parish Breakfast (7.30am-9.00am)	Drummond Hotel
Thursday 19 December	Penance Service (7 pm)	St Finlough's Church
Sunday 22 December	Carol Service (6 pm)	St Mary's Church

*Sunday Advent Services will incorporate exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Rosary, Divine Chaplet and concluding with Benediction. It will be offered for family life in the parish.

CHURCHES RESTORATION FUND - NOVEMBER WINNERS

£1,000	Joe Mackle, c/o M Mackle	£100	Conor Brolly, c/o K Brolly
£100	Dawn Adlard, c/o M McCloskey	£100	Mary E McCutcheon, c/o P Toner
£100	Agnes O'Hara, c/o J Carney	£100	E Smyth, c/o F McIntyre

Collector's Prize Catherine McGregor

Next draw on Monday 16 December at **7.00 pm** in St Mary's School. Collection times are: 10.30 am - 11.00 am in the Parish Office and **6.00 - 7.00 pm** in St Mary's School. **NB Change of time for collection.**

ST FINLOUGH'S BIG ANNUAL COFFEE MORNING on Saturday 7 December from 10.00 am - 1.00 pm. All donations of scones/pastries welcome. For further information contact 07745661116

BINGO in Limavady Football Club on Monday 2 December at 8.30 pm and in St Finlough's Hall on Friday 13 December at 8.30 pm. Snowball both nights £1,000. Must go.

GLACK HUT Social Dance on Friday 6 December. 9 pm - 12 midnight. Admission £4. Santa will be arriving on Sunday 15 December from 5 pm - 7 pm.

MEMORY TREE OF LIGHTS for those bereaved by suicide on 8 December at 5.30 pm at 101a Irish Green Street. For more information contact Fidelis on 028 7132 0138 /078 4156 9000.

ST FINLOUGH'S QUARTERLY DRAW Last chance tickets for our quarterly draw. £10 one off payment. Chance to win £1,500 / £300 / £200. Draw on Saturday 7 December at our Coffee morning. Contact 07745661116.

SPUC (The Society for the Protection of Unborn Children) will hold an Information Evening on Tuesday 3 December at 7.30 pm in the Drummond Hotel. Light refreshments served. For info: Tel - 028 9077 8018 or 07730330028.

BULLETIN NOTICES All notices MUST be either left at the Parish Office, Tel: 028 777 62522 or sent by email to: parishoflimavady@btinternet.com before a Wednesday at 1.00 pm.

Limavady Parish Bulletin

1st Sunday of Advent

1 December 2019

MASS TIMES

ST MARY'S

Monday - Friday	-	10.00 am
Friday	-	7.30 pm
Sunday Morning	-	9.00 am, 11.00 am

CHRIST THE KING

Saturday Vigil	-	6.00 pm
Sunday	-	12.00 noon

ST FINLOUGH'S

Saturday Vigil	-	7.30 pm
Sunday Morning	-	10.00 am

CONFESSION TIMES

ST MARY'S	Friday	-	6.30 pm - 7.15 pm
CHRIST THE KING	Saturday	-	5.30 pm
ST FINLOUGH'S	Saturday	-	7.00 pm

Eucharistic Adoration

Every Thursday after the 10.00 am Mass - 8.00 pm in St Mary's Church.

Prayer Group

Every Tuesday at 7.30 pm in St Mary's Chapter Room. New members welcome.

Baptisms

St Finlough's Church Tel: 028 777 62522 **St Mary's Church**
All Baptisms will take place on Saturday afternoons by arrangement with the Parish Secretary

Weddings, Month's Mind Masses and Anniversary Masses

To book Weddings, Month's Mind Masses, Anniversary Masses, contact Janet at the Parish Office. Tel: 028 777 62522.
Any forms to be signed by the Priest can be left at the Parish Office and collected the next day.

Telephone Numbers

Mgr McCanny	028 777 29759
Fr Baker	028 777 62721
Parish Office	028 777 62522 (Mon - Fri: 9.00 am - 1.00 pm)
	Email: parishoflimavady@btinternet.com
	Website: www.limavadyparish.org
	Facebook: facebook.com/limparish

Deaths

We extend our sympathy to the family and friends of:
Sarah Trainor, 53 Coolessan Walk, Limavady
Hugh Mullan, 70 Alexander Road, Limavady
Monica O'Connell, nee Rodden, Ballymena
who died recently.

Month's Mind Mass

The Month's Mind Mass for **Willie Johnston** will be celebrated on Friday 6 December at 7.30 pm in St Mary's Church.

First Anniversary Masses

The First Anniversary Mass for **Noelle Forrest** will be celebrated on Saturday 7 December at 6.00 pm in Christ the King Church.
The First Anniversary Mass for **Bobby O'Connor** will be celebrated on Saturday 7 December at 7.30 pm in St Finlough's Church.

Anniversaries

Noelle Forrest, Joe Boucher, J P McClarey, Brendan & Tommy Cooper, Guy Turpin, Robert Kelly, Paddy McCloskey, Charles & Jennie McLaughlin, James McGee, John Kerr, Les Taylor, Joe McCorriston, Isobel McGonigle, James Joseph Smyth, Lily Gallagher

Derry Diocesan Society

Pray for all deceased members of the Derry Diocesan Society, especially for the following who have been recently enrolled:

Gregory Devine, Tony Mullan, Jude Vowles, Melvin Rose, Sally McLaughlin, Mary McQuiston, Cyril McClean, Brendan Mullan, Jessie Gilloway, Vincent Magee, Kathleen McElhinney, Margaret Devine

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE

Baptisms

We welcome into the parish community through the Sacrament of Baptism:
Niamh Grace Donaghy, Liam Patrick Doherty, Tom Mullan, Caoimhin Gerard Mulhern

FIRST FRIDAY MASS on Friday 6 December at 10.00 am and 7.30 pm in St Mary's Church. Confessions after the 10.00 am Mass.

PIONEERS Presentation of Gold and Silver Jubilarian pins will take place on Friday 13 December at 7.30 pm Mass in St Mary's Church.

COUNTERS FOR DECEMBER Robbie Hassan, Tony Kealey, Jim Herron, Charlie Mullin, Bernadette Mullin, Monica O'Connor, Frances McIntyre, Peggy O'Neill, Maureen Magowan

ALL NIGHT VIGIL AT KNOCK To celebrate and honour the Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the 49th All-Night Vigil of Atonement and Reparation will take place on 7 / 8 December from Saturday midnight to Sunday morning. Main celebrant: His Excellency Archbishop Okolo, Papal Nuncio. Details from Knock Shrine Office: 00 353 94 93 88100.

HOLY FAMILY PADRE PIO GROUP Meeting on Tuesday 3 December starting with Mass at 7.15 pm in the Holy Family Chapel, Ballymagroarty, Derry. There will be a 1st class relic at the meeting and all are welcome.

MARIAN DEVOTIONS in the Carmelite Retreat Centre, Termonbacca on Tuesday 3 December at 7.30 pm.

MATT TALBOT FREEDOM FROM DRUGS MASS & RELIC OF MATT TALBOT Monthly Mass in St Eugene's Cathedral on Monday 2 December at 7.30 pm to pray for those with a drug addiction, their families and anybody affected by drugs or addiction.

LEGION OF MARY would like to thank those who gave so generously to Alive Magazine. The total amount was £700 (795 euros). Much appreciated. Thank you.

COLLECTION FOR SUNDAY 24 NOVEMBER Town Churches £ 3,781.01 Ballykelly £548.10

ST VINCENT DE PAUL ANNUAL COLLECTION - THIS WEEKEND

Once again we ask for your support for our Annual Collection which will be held this weekend after all the Masses in the parish.

The support you so willingly give, week after week, helps families and individuals who are struggling to keep their homes warm, put food on the table, afford basic clothing and school costs or even their rent. Last Christmas our Conference spent £9,500 helping people in the Aghanloo, Ballykelly, Glack and Limavady community. Over this period we assisted 171 families and individuals with fuel, food hampers and cash. Our joint Christmas Family Appeal with the Salvation Army provided gifts and toys for 164 children in 75 families.

Without you we would not be able to help our needy families. Any donation you can give will be greatly appreciated and will make a big difference to those who need it most in our community.

If you would like to give by Standing Order or if you wish to Gift Aid your donation we have forms available; please contact any member of the Society. We also wish to thank those friends of our Conference who assist us with the church door collections throughout the year. Thank you and have a peaceful Christmas.

PLEA FROM POPE FRANCIS A few years ago Pope Francis issued a plea to all of us to engage in saving "our common home". He puts this responsibility at the very heart of being Christian. He asks that in our consumer choices we consider "what kind of world we want to leave to children who are now growing up".

DERRY DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES 2 - 7 July 2020 Applications are now being sought for the 2020 Youth Pilgrimage, from those who will be age 17 at time of travel. Forms can be requested through schools or directly from the Lourdes Pilgrimage Office, 164 Bishop Street, Derry BT48 6UJ, email: derypilgrim@outlook.com. Gift vouchers for all pilgrims to the value of £25 or £50 can be ordered via these same contact details.

FIFTEENTH MASS REMEMBERING SR CLARE CROCKETT on Sunday 8 December at 7.00 pm in Termonbacca Carmelite Retreat Monastery. The Mass is held on the second Sunday of every month.

HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE RETREAT September 2020 8 days. Contact Thornhill Ministries 71 351233, or thornhillministries@derydiocese.org or visit www.thornhillministries.co.uk.

INTERNATIONAL YOUTH CONFERENCE Fri 27 December at 2 pm - Mon 30 Dec at 4 pm. Inviting all young people (16+) to come and experience this 4 day special event at Congowes Wood College, Castlebrown, Clane, Co Kildare. Cost is 150 euro inclusive. For details contact: 00353 8790412, 003538706988, 003538634088/

YOUTH 2000 CHRISTMAS RETREAT from Friday 6 - Sunday 8 December in Newbridge College, Co Kildare. For more information call: 00 35316753690, email office@youth2000.ie or book online at www.youth2000.ie

TROCAIRE GIFTS OF LOVE If you want to help make the world a better place this Christmas give a Trocaire Gift. Tel: 0800 912 1200, www.trocaire.org/gifts or from 50 King Street, Belfast BT1 6AD. Leaflets in church porches.

CHRISTMAS FAMILY APPEAL Each year the St Vincent de Paul Society and the Salvation Army organise the distribution of toys and gifts to help local families who are struggling at Christmas. If you would like to donate a **NEW** toy or gift suitable for a child up to age 16, they can be left at any of the collection points listed below, up until Friday 13 December. The Family Appeal has enabled hundreds of gifts to be distributed to needy families in the past. Please leave your gifts at Tesco, Gordons Chemists, Bank of Ireland or the Salvation Army Centre in Limavady before Friday 13 December. There will also be collection points in all the parish churches from 23 November - 16 December. All gifts must be received before this date.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL CHRISTMAS CARDS are now available from the Parish Office, Gormley Pharmacy or any member of the SVP Society.

TERMONBACCA RETREAT CENTRE **Talk on Poverty** on Saturday 7 December from 10 am - 2 pm.
Half Day Advent Retreat on Sunday 8 December. Registration at 9.30 am, ending at 3.00 pm. Cost £10. For bookings & details contact 71262512 no later than Wednesday 4 December as there are only a limited number of spaces.

DERRY DIOCESAN YOUTH PILGRIMAGE TO MEDJUGORJE 28 July - 4 August (7 nights) for young people aged 16 - 18. Cost is £599 and there will be a budget plan to help with this. Names and deposit of £100 are due by 1 December. For more information or to book contact: lizzie.rea@derydiocese.org or Tel: 028 71 264087.