

### WORK ON THE PIAZZA

We are nearing the completion of the construction work of the New Centre. The next stage will be the landscaping, starting with the paving of the area between the Church and the New Centre.

To facilitate work on laying the paving stones it will be necessary to lock the front doors of St Mary's Church for the next 2 weeks - starting Monday 17 February 2020. Entrance to the Church during that period will be by the side entrance.

However, if there is a funeral, the foreman will ensure that a path will be cleared so that the mourners and the remains of the deceased can enter by the front door.

Apologies for any inconvenience. Many thanks for your patience.

Mgr Bryan McCanny PP

**DERRY DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES** led by Bishop Donal McKeown, from Thursday 2 July to Tuesday 7 July 2020, cost £679 (deposit £100 - non refundable) including full board and transfers in Lourdes. Doctors and nurses are invited to consider taking part in the pilgrimage to assist those in need. For enquiries or bookings contact The Pilgrimage Office, 164 Bishop Street, Derry. Tel: 028 71 260293 or email: derrypilgrim@outlook.com.

**SLEEP OUT - STAY AWAKE FOR 15 - 18 YEAR OLDS** We are inviting young people aged 15 - 18 to get involved in a Stay Awake/Sleep Out in solidarity with the homeless on Friday 28 February from 9 pm - Saturday 29 February at 7 am. The event will take place in St Eugene's Cathedral, Derry. During the vigil there will be reflections, music, speakers from local charities, activities and time outside. Parental consent forms and sponsorship forms can be found on the Diocesan website: [www.derrydiocese.org](http://www.derrydiocese.org). All proceeds will go to De Paul, Damien House, Methodist City Mission, Clarendon Night Shelter and the Simon Community. Registration for this event is compulsory before Friday 21 February. For more information or to book please contact [lizzie.rea@derrydiocese.org](mailto:lizzie.rea@derrydiocese.org) or Tel: 028 71264087.

**CHURCHES RESTORATION FUND** Next draw on **Monday 24 February** at **7.00 pm** in St Mary's School. Collection times are: **10.30 am - 11.00 am** in the Parish Office and **5.00 pm - 7.00 pm** in St Mary's School.

**ST MARY'S, LIMAVADY AT 60** As part of their 60th Anniversary Celebrations, St Mary's will be holding a Gala Dinner on Friday 13 March in Roe Park Resort. Tables of 10 = £600 or Tickets = £60 each. For tickets or further information please contact Mr S Mullan at school on 777 62360.

**PRECIOUS LIFE** will be hosting a talk given by Fr Stephen Imbarrato in the City Hotel, Derry on Tuesday 25 February at 8.15 pm. Please come along and hear the amazing personal testimony of this Priest for Life, who has dedicated the last 25 years to Pro-Life Ministry in the USA. For more information contact Precious Life on 02890278484 or [info@preciouslife.com](mailto:info@preciouslife.com).

**WHY SUPPORT LIFE?** A round-table discussion on the future of the pro-life movement in Northern Ireland will take place in the Catholic Chaplaincy QUB on Wed 19 Feb at 7 pm. The panel, chaired by Brett Lockhart QC, features key figures in the pro-life movement including Dawn McAvoy, Dr Andrew Cupples, Patrick Gallagher, Kate Meenagh and Sarah Haire. If you are interested in learning more about the pro-life position from a variety of perspectives.

### CEMETERY SUNDAY

Christ the King	Saturday 6 June after 6.00 pm Mass
Roe Mill	Sunday 7 June 6.00 pm
St. Mary's	Sunday 14 June 6.00 pm
St. Finlough's	Sunday 28 June 3.00 pm

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

**PLEASE REMEMBER ST VINCENT DE PAUL RED BOX Helpline No: 07512360388**

# Limavady Parish Bulletin

6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

16 February 2020

### 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
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#### CHRIST THE KING

Saturday	-	5.30 pm
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#### ST FINLOUGH'S

Saturday	-	7.00 pm
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### 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

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Website: [www.limavadyparish.org](http://www.limavadyparish.org)

Facebook: [facebook.com/limparish](https://facebook.com/limparish)

### Deaths

We extend our sympathy to the family and friends of  
**Ann O'Connor, 21 Gorteen Crescent, Limavady**  
**Patricia McCluskey, Church Street, Limavady**  
who died recently

### Month's Mind Mass

The Month's Mind Mass for **John McCool** will be celebrated on  
Friday 21 February at 7.30 pm in St Mary's Church.  
The Month's Mind Mass for **Margaret McCloskey** will be celebrated on  
Saturday 22 February at 6.00 pm in Christ the King Church.

### Anniversaries

**Mary Ann McCormick, Jeannie McCann, Sarah Anne Devlin, George McCool, Annie Gamble, Jessie McGuinness, Roger Canning, Cassie McGee, Nellie Smyth, Joe McMullan, Hannah Cooke, Jean Hartin, Joseph Caskey, James Harkin, Gabriel McLaughlin, Mary Kealey, Henry Deighan, Barry Doherty, Margaret Harkin, John McLaughlin, Patrick & Alice McCluskey**

### Derry Diocesan Society

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

**Thomas James Boyd, Anne O'Kane, Marie McCusker, Mary Doherty, Annette Austin, William Johnston, Charles Feeney, George McClarey, George Canning, Sarah Trainor, Hugh Mullan, Mary McCann,**

### MAY THEY REST IN PEACE

### Baptisms

We welcome into the parish community through the Sacrament of Baptism:  
**Eoghan Dominic Begley, Aoife Marie Whitehouse McGuinness, Leah Agnes Cahill**

### VOCATIONS WEEK Sunday 16 February - Saturday 22 February

This weekend is the start of Vocations Week. During this week of prayer centred on Vocations, parishioners in all parishes across the Diocese of Derry are encouraged to pray for hearts open to the presence of the Holy Spirit. The Spirit continues to provide the People of God with numerous gifts. Can we be brave and generous enough to respond to the promptings of God's Spirit? Without the Holy Spirit there would be no ministries alive and active in the Church, helping to build the Body of Christ. During Vocations Week can we become aware of our role in God's plan to heal and redeem a broken world? How can we use our gifts to promote the reign of God? How is God calling each one of us to live out our lives in response to His call? As we search our hearts, are we being called to priesthood, Religious life, married or single life?

**Vocations Information Day** on Saturday 22 February in Thornhill Retreat Centre, Culmore Road, Derry starting at 10.30 am - 6.00 pm. For information contact Fr Chris Ferguson on [chris\\_j\\_ferguson@hotmail.com](mailto:chris_j_ferguson@hotmail.com).  
At the doors of the Church you will find a booklet entitled "Gifts of the Holy Spirit". Please take one. There is a reflection and prayers of intercession for each day. More information can be found on [Derryvocations.org](http://Derryvocations.org).

**ST JOSEPH'S YOUNG PRIESTS SOCIETY** Meeting on Tuesday 18 February after 10.00 am Mass in the chapter room. The Holy Hour is on Monday 17 February at 8.00 pm in St Joseph's Oratory, Drummond Hotel. All welcome.

**MASS FOR THOSE WITH SPECIAL NEEDS** The Annual Diocesan Mass for those with special needs, and their families and friends, will take place in Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Steelstown, Derry on Saturday 25 April 2020 at 3.00 pm. If you have a child who wishes to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation or First Communion at this Mass please contact the Catechetical Centre on 71 264087 or email [dccc@derrydiocese.org](mailto:dccc@derrydiocese.org).

**MASS IN HONOUR OF BLESSED ALEXANDRINA** in Termonbacca on Sun 23 Feb at 7.30 pm. All welcome.

**THORNHILL MINISTRIES** Lenten Promise Cards now available from Thornhill Ministries or Veritas. Oasis Day "Sensing Mortality" on Monday 24 February 9.30 am - 1.30 pm. Suggested Donation: £20 (guideline only)

### THE DEEP END

#### The Bare Minimum

There are times when we try to get by with the bare minimum. Maybe we have scraped through an exam with the minimum of effort, or done a last-minute rush job to complete a work project. Plenty of us know what it's like to do just enough around the house to keep it from descending into total chaos!

Perhaps unconsciously, we sometimes take the same approach to our relationships - only phoning a parent once in a blue moon to 'check in', or visiting a friend only when we are reminded. It can be easy to slip into a pattern of acting out of a sense of duty rather than love.

Of course, our faith can go the same way. Are there times when we approach the Eucharist with a niggling feeling that something is not quite right? If so, Jesus has some strong words for us in today's Gospel. If we believe that all we are expected to do is 'follow the rules', we have missed something important. Jesus does not want us to merely follow the letter of the law. Where is the joy or the challenge in that? He tells us that our virtue must go deeper than simply doing the bare minimum. Not only must we not kill, we must not be angry with others. Not only must we not break a promise, we must be honest in all our dealings and in our speech. If we approach the altar without being on good terms with others, we are not in true communion with God.

Obeying the rules is the bare minimum. The Gospel is calling us to a more radical way of living.

*Triona Doherty Email: [trionad@gmail.com](mailto:trionad@gmail.com)*

**COLLECTION FOR SUNDAY 9 FEBRUARY** Town Churches £3,320.18 Ballykelly £402.00

**LENTEN RETREAT DAYS** in SMA Retreat Centre, Dromantine on Sat 14 March and Sat 28 March. 9.30 am - 5.00 pm. Cost £25 includes lunch. To book email: [sma.dromantine@sma.ie](mailto:sma.dromantine@sma.ie) or Tel: 028 30 821964.

**NIGHT OF REMEMBRANCE** A Prayer Service will be held on Wednesday 19 February at 7.30 pm in the Holy Rosary Church, Draperstown, to remember all who have been lost through suicide and to offer strength, courage and hope to all who need it. Bishop Donal McKeown will be the guest speaker. If you would like your loved one's photo included in the service please email a copy to [mentalhealthsteps@gmail.com](mailto:mentalhealthsteps@gmail.com). All welcome.

**TEMPORARY PIONEER PLEDGE FOR LENT** If anyone is interested in taking a temporary Pioneer Pledge for Lent, please contact Mairead McNulty on 07718364666.

**THE COLUMBA COMMUNITY - DAY OF PRAYER AND REFLECTION** on the theme of "Reconciliation: Healing Relationships" in St Anthony's Retreat Centre, Dundrean, Burnfoot, Co Donegal, on Sun 23 Feb at 11 am including celebration of Holy Mass at 3 pm. Light lunch. Suggested donation £20. Tel: 71262407 to reserve your place.

**LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINARS** will take place in Scoil Eoghain, Moville, on Sundays, from 23 February until 5 April, from 4 pm - 6 pm. There will be an introductory talk, given by Mr Eddie Stones, in St Pius X Church, Moville, from 2 pm - 6 pm this Sunday, 16 February.

**ARISE EVENT IN KNOCK FOR YOUNG ADULTS** at Knock Shrine. Catholic Youth Ministry Ireland (CYMI) invites young adults aged 18+ to join them for a faith event in Knock on Saturday 7 March. If you are interested in hearing more details or would like to register your attendance, contact Yvonne in the Derry Diocesan Catechetical Centre: [Yvonne.rooney@derrydiocese.org](mailto:Yvonne.rooney@derrydiocese.org) or Tel: 028 71264087.

**PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK SHRINE** 24 February 2020. £399 per person sharing. Price includes return bus transfer, 4 nights in Knock House Hotel full board. All entertainment and excursions included. Single room supplement £40. Contact 01268762278 or 07740175557 or email [knockpilgrimages@gmail.com](mailto:knockpilgrimages@gmail.com). Knock Pilgrimages is a member of the Travel Trust Association and is fully protected by ATOL T7613.

### IMPORTANT DATES

Confirmation	Saturday 25 April 2020	Christ the King Church
First Holy Communion (Termoncanice)	Saturday 16 May 2020	Christ the King Church
First Holy Communion (Irish)	Saturday 23 May 2020	Christ the King Church
First Holy Communion (Ballykelly)	Saturday 30 May 2020	St Finlough's Church
First Holy Communion (St Finlough's)	Saturday 30 May 2020	St Finlough's Church
First Holy Communion (Integrated)	Saturday 6 June 2020	Christ the King Church