

ACT OF CONSECRATION OF THE FAMILY TO THE DIVINE MERCY

O Jesus, you showed us your infinite compassionate love by exhausting the very last drop of blood and water from your body. From this day forward, with full confidence, we entrust our families to your Divine Mercy. We abandon our past, our present and our future. We place into your wounds all of our wounds which are caused by lack of love, understanding and trust.

Jesus, expel Satan and all evil from our families, free us from the consequence of sin and protect us from further harm.

Heal our wounds.

May our families learn to venerate your Divine Image that they will never perish but experience your loving mercy.

Amen.

PRAY This is an occasion for all of us - especially in families - to pray more intensely for each other and especially for those who have succumbed to the illness. We should pray also for those at the frontlines - especially doctors, nurses and medical staff and other carers, including clergy - that the Lord will protect them as they place their own wellbeing at risk in the service of all.

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LIMAVADY PARISH BULLETIN

3rd Sunday of Easter

26 April 2020

LITURGICAL PROGRAMME FOR WEEK BEGINNING 27 APRIL 2020

Monday - Friday 27 April 1 May	10 am	Rosary Reading: '33 Days to Morning Glory'
	6 pm	Mass
Saturday 2 May	10 am	Rosary Reading: '33 Days to Morning Glory'
	6 pm	Vigil Mass - 4th Sunday of Easter
Sunday 3 May	10 am	Rosary Reading: '33 Days to Morning Glory'
	11 am	Mass - 4th Sunday of Easter

LITURGICAL PROGRAMME FOR WEEK BEGINNING 4 MAY 2020

Monday - Friday 4 May 8 May	10 am	Rosary Reading: '33 Days to Morning Glory'
	6 pm	Mass
Saturday 9 May	10 am	Rosary Reading: '33 Days to Morning Glory'
	6 pm	Vigil Mass - 5th Sunday of Easter
Sunday 10 May	10 am	Rosary Reading: '33 Days to Morning Glory'
	11 am	Mass - 5th Sunday of Easter

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Deaths

We extend our sympathy to the family and friends of Fr John McNamara, OCD, Termonbacca Irene McAllister, c/o 70 Windyhill Road, Limavady Stephanie Ferris, 2 Castle Park, Limavady who died recently

Month's Mind Mass

The Month's Mind Mass for **Jane Hasson** will be celebrated on Friday 1 May at 6 pm streamed live on Facebook.

First Anniversary Mass

The First Anniversary Mass for **Sarah Kealey** will be celebrated on Tuesday 28 April at 6 pm streamed live on Facebook.

Anniversaries

26 April: Kevin Coyle, Sarah Kealey, Angela Kearney, Ann Somers, Marie McHugh, Sean McGill, Jimmy Butcher, Forrest McGlasson, Margaret Guy, Edward McConway, Betty Kearney, Michael McClelland, Pat Coyle, Patrick Carton, Felix & Nora Mullan, Margaret Kealey, John Canning, Helena Boyd, Agnes Rafferty, Sammie Brown, Mary McMaster 3 May: Kathleen Boyd

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE

WEEKLY ENVELOPE COLLECTION

Envelopes can be returned at the following places:

- The office at Christ the King
- St Mary's Church
- Mgr McCanny's House
- Parochial House St Finlough's

If you wish to set up a Standing Order, please contact the parish office - 028 777 62522 between 9 am - 1 pm. Remember to write your name on the Standing Order Form.

Once again many thanks for your patience, kindness and generosity.

WEEKLY COLLECTION Sunday 12 April £4,255.00 Sunday 19 April £1,730.00

TROCAIRE COLLECTION this year, will like all other things, be affected. Nevertheless, some parishioners will wish to contribute to the Trocaire Lenten Campaign as normal. Having consulted with Trocaire, donations can be made in the following ways:

- (i) Online banking, directly to Trocaire. Bank details:
 - Sorting Code: 93.80.92 Account No: 88227020.
 - These details are for an account in NI.
- (ii) For people who do not use online banking, cheques can be posted to:
 - Trocaire, 50-52 King Street, Belfast, BT1 6AD.
- (iii) Trocaire boxes can be left in St Mary's Church in the usual way.

<u>ST VINCENT DE PAUL</u> In these difficult times many local families are in need. As we have no weekend Masses and therefore no collections, please use the Famine Box at the back of St Mary's Church to make donations to SVP. Thank you once again for your continued support.

CEMETERY SUNDAY If because of the Coronavirus, we are not able to hold the services for the dead in each of the cemeteries in June, be assured that they will be held later in the summer.

BULLETIN NOTICES The bulletin will only be printed every 2 weeks for the next few weeks. To arrange Anniversaries, Month's Mind Masses or First Anniversary Masses, please telephone the Parish Office: 777 62522 (9am - 1pm) and for other notices email: parishoflimavady@btinternet.com before a Wednesday at 1.00 pm. The next bulletin will be Saturday/Sunday 9/10 May.

ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

There is no official format for making a Spiritual Communion. This is a suggested prayer that may help those who hunger to receive the Lord spiritually especially at this time:

"My Jesus, I believe that you desire to make your home within me and that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament of the altar. I love you above all things, and I desire to receive you in my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally, come spiritually into my heart.

I embrace your love as if you were already there, and I unite myself wholly to you.

Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen."

A DAY OF FASTING AND PRAYER - A 'VIRTUAL PILGRIMAGE' Bishop McKeown is inviting people to join him on Friday 1 May on a 'virtual pilgrimage', to fast and pray, asking God

- To free us from this pandemic and to support those who are fighting it;
- To comfort those who have been afflicted with this pandemic; and
- To ask God for the wisdom to know how to live now and in the aftermath of the pandemic.

It is proposed that the time of prayer and penance at home will take its shape from core elements of the 3-day Lough Derg pilgrimage. Each person is invited to participate in whatever parts of the penitential 'virtual pilgrimage' that they feel able to adopt. If anyone is suffering from weakness or ill health, they should not overexert themselves. At the heart of the full Lough Derg pilgrimage are the following elements:

- 1. **Fasting:** To join spiritually with the Bishop on this 'virtual pilgrimage' people are invited, if they are physically able, to adopt the Lough Derg-style Fast from 12 midnight on Thursday night until after 7 am on Saturday morning. The Lough Lough Derg Fast consists of water or black tea or coffee (sugar is permitted) with dry bread, toast and oatcakes at one time during the day. 'Pilgrims' can drink water, tea or coffee any time.
- 2. Praying the Lough Derg Stations: Throughout the first day, participants on Lough Derg would normally pray three 'Stations' outside. However, in this case, participants are invited to pray three Stations at home during the course of the day. They can join through webcam with Bishop McKeown in praying these three Stations. Details of the Station prayers will be made available later.
- 3. **The Night Vigil:** During the Night Vigil, four Stations are prayed. Bishop McKeown proposes to stay in the Cathedral during Friday night and lead the four Stations on the webcam at 12 midnight, 1.30 am, 3 am and 4.30 am. The Vigil will end with the special 'Mass in time of a Pandemic' as proposed by Pope Francis, at 6 am on Saturday 2 May.

<u>CHURCHES RESTORATION FUND - PARISH DRAW</u> The next draw will take place on **Monday 27 April.** <u>THERE WILL BE NO INTAKE OF MONEY</u>. Anyone who has paid up until February will be included in the draw. You can pay your collector next month.

FOODBANK DONATIONS can be left in the porch of St Mary's Church.

PART TIME CERTIFICATE in Religious Education (Primary) with Online delivery St Angela's College, Sligo, is inviting application for this course, which begins Autumn 2020. the course is open to: Qualified primary school teachers and qualified post-primary school teachers who wish to transfer to primary school teaching. Parents, sacramental preparation teams and parish catechists who have a specific interest in the area of primary religious education may also apply. Closing date for applications is Friday 15 May 2020. For further information and application forms contact Mary Kearns, Education Department, St Angela's College, Lough Gill, Sligo: mkearns@stangelas.nuigalway.ie or visit Website: www.stangelas.nuigalway.ie.

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