

# PARISH OF BANAGHER

**26<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time -  
25<sup>th</sup> September 2022**

## Mass Times

### Weekday Mass:

St Joseph's Church, Fincairn: *\*No Mass on Monday morning.* Wed 7.30pm & Fri 9.30am  
St Mary's Church, Altinure: Tues & Thurs 10am.  
St Peter's & St Paul's Church, Foreglen: Wed & Fri 7.00pm

### Weekend Mass:

St Joseph's Church, Fincairn: Vigil 7.00pm. 9.15am.  
St Mary's Church, Altinure: Vigil 5.30pm. 10.30am.  
St Peter's & St Paul's Church, Foreglen: Vigil 7.00pm. 12noon.

### Confessions:

St Joseph's Church, Fincairn: Friday 10am.  
St Mary's Church, Altinure: Saturday 5.00pm.

### Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Divine Mercy Chaplet

St Mary's Church, Altinure: Thursday 10.30am – 11.30am.  
St Joseph's Church, Fincairn: Friday 10.00am – 11.00am.

**A Tour de Fincairn Fun Cycle** meeting is being held on Wednesday 28th September at 8pm in the Grotto Chapel. Please come along if you can help in any way. The fun cycle will begin at 10am on Saturday 15th October. All monies raised will help fund the painting of the outside of St Joseph's, Fincairn.

## Confirmation and First Holy Communion Dates 2023

### Confirmation

Bishop Donal McKeown will administer the Sacrament of Confirmation in Banagher Parish next year: St Canice's PS, Fincairn and St Peter's & St Paul's PS, Foreglen to take place at St Joseph's Church, Fincairn on 4th March 2023 at 11am.

St Mary's PS, Altinure to take place at St Mary's Church, Altinure on 4th March 2023 at 2pm.

### First Holy Communion

St Mary's PS, Altinure - 13th May 2023 at 11am in St Mary's Church, Altinure.

St Canice's PS, Fincairn - 20th May 2023 at 11am in St Joseph's Church, Fincairn.

St Peter's & St Paul's PS, Foreglen - 20th May 2023 at 11am in St Peter's & St Paul's Church, Foreglen.

October	St Joseph's Church, Fincairn		St Mary's Church, Altinure	
	7.00pm	9.15am	5.30pm	10.30am
<b>Readers</b>	Pauline McGrellis	Sheena McGrellis	Betty McAteer	Mary & Emma Redmond
<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	Joanne Donaghey	Briega O'Neill	Majella McCloskey	Tony Gormley
<b>Flowers</b>	Bridie McErlean		Corinne Coyle	
<b>Cleaning</b>	Lorraine O'Kane, Marie French, Sarah McGrellis		Breidge Doherty, Breige Mullan, Julie Connolly	
<b>Counters</b>	Briega O'Neill, Liam Campbell, Siobhan Campbell, Peter McCullagh		Anna Smyth, Angela Gormley	

**Save the Date** - A Parish Mission, led by the Dominican Friars will take place in the parish from the 22nd October to the 28th October. More details about the Mission in the coming weeks.

**St Joseph & St Mary's SVP Banagher** Working with the three Primary Schools in the Parish, SVP can support families this winter by covering, either in full or partially, the cost of School Dinners. Some families who are not eligible for Free School Dinners may wish to avail of this support for a number of weeks to ease the burden of winter financial pressures. Please ring our confidential helpline 07593 954973 and a member of SVP will contact you. We are also providing a healthy break for all primary school children in the Parish through the winter.

**Banagher Parish** is developing a partnership with St Amedeus Secondary School in Moshi, Tanzania. In 2016 Fr McGavigan visited Tanzania, in which he spent time with the staff and students of St Amedeus. As part of this new partnership, we are asking you to donate any football or soccer jerseys (sizes 10 year - 18 year old) that you might have at home, and we will send them to the children who attend St Amedeus Secondary School. If you would like to donate a jersey, there will be a box in each of the three church porches for you to place your donated jerseys in. End date: Please could you donate your jerseys by Sunday 18th September. Thank you

### Derry Diocesan Trust Employment Opportunities:

Housekeeper - Dungiven Parish, 15 hours per week (4 days – Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday) Closing date for post: 7.10.2022

For a job description and application form please: telephone 028 7126 2302, write to: Personnel, Derry Diocesan Office, St Eugene's Cathedral, Francis Street, Derry, BT48 9AP or Email:

[payroll@derrydiocese.org](mailto:payroll@derrydiocese.org) More info on derrydiocese.org

**The Synodal Times Newspaper** is available to purchase for £1 in the porches of all three of our parish chapels. This newspaper features the latest news and analysis from the Irish Synod along with articles on how we can solve ongoing challenges facing the church.

### OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS

**17<sup>th</sup>/18<sup>th</sup> September 2022**

St Joseph's Church, Fincairn: £755 St Mary's Church, Altinure: £710

St Peter's & St Paul's Church, Foreglen: £340

*Thank you for your continued generosity.*

**Online Bank Donations** can be made to Parish of Banagher: Sort: 95-03-06 A/C: 51052659

**Pilgrimage to the Holy Land:** Bishop Donal McKeown will lead a pilgrimage to the Holy Land from February 13th – 21st, 2023. Visiting Bethlehem, Nazareth, Jerusalem, the Sea of Galilee and other important sites, this is an opportunity to walk in the footsteps of Jesus. Price is €1,895 / £1,655pps incl. taxes. Email [info@marian.ie](mailto:info@marian.ie) Call Belfast (028) 956 80005 or Dublin (01) 878 8159.

**Worldwide Rosary Movement for Men** - Men's Global Rosary Crusade, invites 100, and more, men to meet and say the Rosary in reparation, repentance and conversion of the Irish nation at 1pm opposite the Star of the Sea Church, Portstewart on Saturday 08th October. We need as many men to attend and pray the Rosary as Our Lady has asked us to do repeatedly. Let's make this something beautiful for Our Lady, Our Lord, Ireland and the world. For details, ring 07730330028.

**Derry Youth** are now taking expressions of interest for the Derry Youth Scholarship Programme. This is a year-long programme for young people in 6th Form or doing their Leaving Cert and provides opportunities for young people to meet others from across the diocese, to explore their faith, gain training and new skills, and work with a charitable organisation. If you would like more info, please message us @Derryyouth or email Niamh at [niamh.mclaughlin@derrydiocese.org](mailto:niamh.mclaughlin@derrydiocese.org)

**Trócaire** is looking for people to join our team of Christmas fundraisers to help respond to the urgent need of poor communities, especially those affected by the hunger crisis in East Africa. You can help through a range of activities, including the promotion of our Gifts of Love – training and support will be provided. If you would like to find out about how to help now or over the Advent and Christmas period, please email Mark McMahon at [infoni@trocaire.org](mailto:infoni@trocaire.org) or call 028 9090 8030.

**Dungiven and Feeny local committee for Cancer Research UK** are holding an informal meeting on Monday 3rd October in Dromboughal hall at 7.30pm to plan a way to begin fundraising activities again. We invite anyone in the local community, who would be interested in joining our group to come along to this meeting and help make a difference to all our lives. If interested, contact Anne Marie on 07834381246 or Ann on 07591126303 or simply join us on the night.

**If you have any concerns** with regard to Safeguarding children or adults in need of protection within the Church please contact Marie Gormley, the Diocesan Designated Liaison Person (DLP) at 07596 500 793 or at the Safeguarding Office, Diocesan Pastoral Centre, 164 Bishop Street, Derry, BT48 6UJ or PSNI (Police Service of Northern Ireland) 101 or Social Services: Duty Social Worker, Gateway Services, Western HSC Trust, 71314090

**Privacy Notice:** The Diocese of Derry complies with GDPR regulations. A privacy notice is available on the Parish Website or by contacting the Parish Office. Live stream and recordings of Mass and Services in St Joseph's Church, Fincairn and St Mary's Church, Altinure are available online. Parishioners should note that the first three rows of seats are visible online in St Joseph's Church, Fincairn and the first six rows of seats in St Mary's Church, Altinure.

## COMMUNITY NEWS

**St Mary's GAC, Banagher:** Winning Lotto Numbers for 20/09/22 were: 1, 16, 21 & 24. Winning £50 each Anne Ferris (online) and Ciara Forrester. Money can be collected in Feeny Shop. Thanks very much to everyone who continue to support our club lotto, much appreciated. Next week Jackpot is £6,700. Our drive-in Bingo continues on Sunday at 6pm. Last house worth £1000.

**Learmount Community Centre** - Park Village. CARE 55+ Project - open to all in the Sperrin DEA - funded by The National Lottery Community Fund. Walking group every Friday morning from 10.30am for all abilities; 10-15min gentle walk and 40min faster pace. For the younger 55+, a Ladies Social Club starting Wed 28 Sep. at 7pm. Guest speaker Siobhan Kearney of At One

Wellbeing will talk about work-life balance, resilience & juggling life's demands. We'll also plan for future monthly get-togethers using members' suggestions. Booking essential for all activities.

Activities for everyone - spaces available but booking essential. Mondays - Art Club 7.30-9.30pm and Men's Yoga from 8.00-8.45pm. Tuesdays - Men's Hobby Workshop from 10.30am in Park Recycling Centre. Pilates from 7.45-8.30pm on Wed. Men's Health Event - Mon. 26 Sep from 7pm sharp in Learmount Resource Centre - Free Health Checks, Hearing Checks & optician advice, eating & exercising healthily; mental health advice and lots more. Free haircuts and gift bags for those first through the doors! Dementia Support Group for the families of those with a diagnosis of dementia on Thu. 29th Sep. at 7.30pm. History Group - Sep. 30 with NI Screen showing digital film archive over the last 100 years particularly around local rural areas. For further information, venues, cost etc. contact 02877781881 or email [learmountgroup@gmail.com](mailto:learmountgroup@gmail.com). Follow us on Facebook for the most current updates on what's happening.

**Foreglen Social Club** Are you aged 60+? Would you like to meet people, have a chat, take part in various activities and have a healthy 3 course lunch. Foreglen Community Assoc are currently looking for new members for their 60+ Social Club. The club meets every Tues and Thurs from 10:30am to 3pm. Members receive tea and homemade scones on arrival followed by a 3 course lunch at 1pm. Activities include Knitting/Crochet, games and quizzes, Dominoes and Bingo, shopping and other trips, and much more. Cost is £4 daily (Bingo is an additional £2). Transport is available from Foreglen, Claudy, Feeny, Dungiven, Gortnaghey and Burnfoot. If you would like to attend either one or both days please contact 02871 338347 or 07933 660193 during opening hrs or email [foreglensocialclub@gmail.com](mailto:foreglensocialclub@gmail.com). We look forward to meeting you.

**Glenshane House** - OCN L2 Award in Managing Challenging Behaviour in Children. A few spaces left on course (6 weeks x 2 hrs evenings) Registration Fee £30 & £28 for certificate/accreditation. Suitable for teachers, classroom assistants, parents and students.

**Granaghan Outreach** 12 volunteers are travelling to Mount Kenya to complete a primary & secondary school piped water project they began pre-covid. Work done so far has enabled the growing of assorted produce that they can sell locally to raise much needed funds to buy books and other items. Any and all donations are very welcome and will fund renovations to the primary school and to complete the well project in Nara Moru Western Kenya. Donations can be made at our just giving page [justgiving.com/crowdfunding/granaghan-outreach](https://justgiving.com/crowdfunding/granaghan-outreach)

### PARISH CLERGY

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### CONTACT US

To arrange a Baptism, Wedding or Anniversary Mass, please call Fr Micheál or the secretaries on 028 7778 1223 or email [banagherparish@derrydiocese.org](mailto:banagherparish@derrydiocese.org).

**Parish Office** hours this week: Monday to Friday 9.30am - 12.30pm.  
**Mass is Live on the Webcam at [www.banagherparish.com](http://www.banagherparish.com)**

**SVP Confidential Helpline: 07593954973**