

PARISH OF BANAGHER

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time – 11th July 2021

MASS TIMES

Weekday Mass:

St Joseph's Church, Fincairn: Mon & Fri 9.30am; Wednesday 7.30pm
St Mary's Church, Altinure: Tues & Thurs 10am.
St Peter's & St Paul's Church, Foreglen: Wed & Fri 7pm

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. 10.30am.

Confessions:

St Joseph's Church, Fincairn: Wednesday 7.00pm; Friday 10.00am.
St Mary's Church, Altinure: Saturday 5.00pm.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Divine Mercy Chaplet:

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

Rest in Peace: We extend our sympathies to the relatives and friends of Ralph Hazzlett RIP, Clagan Cottages, who was buried during the past week.

Baptisms: We welcome into the family of God Fiadh Grace Crossan and Oran Michael Cartin.

Parish Summer Camp: The committee of HOPE Camp Banagher are delighted to confirm a two-day summer camp will take place in Banagher on Thursday 5th and Friday 6th August 2021. We hope this two-day camp will bring some of the spirit of HOPE to the young people of our parish, spreading Faith, Fun and Friendship. The camp is for children who reside in the Parish of Banagher, and who have finished the following school year in June 2021; P6, P7, Y8, Y9, Y10 and Y11. We appeal to all who are interested in helping out at the camp to register online. Those who have completed year 12 at the end of June and older are eligible. Visit banagherparish.com to register.

Face Coverings: We ask all adults and children aged 14 and over to please wear a face covering at Masses and other liturgical celebrations ie Funerals, Baptisms, First Communion, Weddings (unless they are exempt from wearing mandatory face coverings). Medical advice is that wearing face coverings is first and foremost about protecting others. Please continue to observe social distancing, to use the hand sanitiser on entering and leaving the Churches.

Funerals, Weddings & Baptisms: As restrictions ease, the number of people permitted to attend funerals, weddings and baptisms is now determined by the risk assessment of each Church and is no longer restricted to 25 people.

Lough Derg 2021: Lough Derg regrets that it will not be possible in 2021 to reopen Station Island for the Traditional Three Day Pilgrimage or even for the autumn programme of Day Retreats.. The outdoor Pilgrimage on the Lough Shore Pilgrim Path will also be available as the summer goes on. Please contact Lough Derg office 0(0353) 71 9861518 or www.loughderg.org for further information.

World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly Pope Francis has established a World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly, which will take place for the first time on Sunday 25 July 2021 on the theme 'I am with you always' (Mt 28:20). It is a timely reminder during this difficult time to stay close to grandparents and our elderly. We can celebrate the grandparents and community elders, and indeed our older priests and religious, who have given lives of dedicated service to their families and communities.

LAST WEEK'S OFFERTORY COLLECTION

St Joseph's Church, Fincairn: £855 St Mary's Church, Altinure: £570
St Peter's & St Paul's Church, Foreglen: £485
Thank you for your continued generosity.

Online Financial Contributions, for those who wish to, can be made directly to the Parish Bank Account. Sort Code: 95-03-06 Account Number: 51052659. Please indicate your name as a reference on the payment.

SVDP Banagher Thank you for continuing to support St Vincent De Paul by contributing to the 'box'. Your generosity is very much appreciated and helps to alleviate the effect of Covid 19. There are many difficulties, anxieties and challenges facing communities at this time.

St Mary's and St Joseph's SVDP is here to help everyone who may be 'under pressure' or struggling because of the increase in living expenses and the impact of the pandemic. Visitations are restricted at present however support is available to help with costs involved in e.g. Housing / Rehousing: Education (expenses Re uniforms, moving to 3rd level): Energy & Fuel. SVDP understands that summer holiday time can also be an added expense time for many households. SVDP can offer non-financial support by signposting to the appropriate Government services. Thank you for your attention. Keep Safe and Keep Well. St Mary's And St Joseph's SVDP can be contacted on the confidential Tel No 07593954973.

Feasts celebrated during the week:

Wednesday 14th July: St Camillus de Lellis, 1550 - 1614, rough-tempered and a gambler in his early life as a soldier, was converted at the age of twenty-five. Guided by St Philip Neri he became a priest and worked for the sick with two companions. His Servants of the Sick prospered and founded hospitals especially where others would not go. Patron of nurses, hospitals and the sick.

Friday 16th July: Our Lady of Mount Carmel. The Carmelite communities inherit the early hermits' devotions to Elijah and his solitary prayer, and to Mary under the title of Mount Carmel. Popular devotion to Our Lady of Mount Carmel has centred on the Scapular of Our Lady of Mount Carmel, also known as the Brown Scapular. The liturgical feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel is celebrated on 16th July because the original date chosen 17th July, clashed with the feast day of St Alexis.

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 / 07707 311 358 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: Gateway Services, Western HSC Trust, 71314090 and ask for the Duty Social Worker.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AFTER HOLY COMMUNION

Lord Jesus Christ,

I believe that I have received your Flesh to eat and your Blood to drink,
because you have said it and your word is true.

I thank you for this gift of yourself to me here this morning,
and now Lord, here present within me, I pledge myself to you for today.

I promise you all my thoughts Lord and ask that they be
thoughts that put the will of God the Father and the needs
of my neighbour before my own selfish interests.

I promise you all my words Lord and ask that they be words that help
and heal, rather than words that tear down and destroy.

I promise you all my actions Lord and ask that they be worthy
of the name Christian that you gave given me to share.

So that, when night comes, I may truly say that it was not I, but you Lord
who thought, spoke and acted thorough me.

Bless and protect my family; keep them always safe, holy and always yours.

Bless those here present and those whom we know who have anxieties,
illnesses, worries or griefs to bear; sometimes of which the rest of us know nothing.
Give them your gifts of peace and hope and keep us always sensitive to their trials.

Finally, Lord, I pray for myself:

I ask for the grace never to be a source of sin to any
other human being - I wish and want always to be a force for good.

Oh Sacrament Most Holy, O Sacrament Divine. All praise
and all thanksgiving be every moment thine..

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COMMUNITY NEWS

Golf Day The McGrellis family are holding a charity fundraiser golf day in memory of Dan on 27th August at Moyola Park Golf Club. Funds raised will be donated to the Dementia Support Group at Learmount Community Development Group and Marie Curie; to help them continue their great work supporting local families when needed most. Great prizes to be won, so if you're interested in playing on the day you can book a Tee Time with: Marty 07840947243.

If you're not a golfer and would like make a donation, they can be left with: any of the parish churches; any of the McGrellis Family; the Rainbow Tea Rooms; or through Bank Account: 16818334, Sort Code 040075.

We thank you in advance for your support, every contribution will be greatly appreciated.

St Mary's GAC, Banagher: Lotto Numbers for 6/7/21 were 10 12 13 16. Winning £25 each was Eoghan O'Neill, Eilish Doherty, Willie Ball & Christy Walsh. Thanks very much to everyone who continue to support our club lotto. Next week's jackpot is £3700.

Drive-in Bingo this Sunday 11th July at 6pm. Last House £1000.

Foyle Hospice is currently seeking new volunteers to join our team in our Day Hospice. With services re-opening we are in urgent need of volunteer hairdressers, complementary therapists, beauticians and nail technicians. The Day Hospice is operational on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday each week. If you have these skills and you have a few hours to spare then please contact Rachael Osbourne on 02871351010.

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

Parish Office hours this week: Wednesday - Friday, 9.30am - 12.30pm.
Bulletin notices should be emailed to banagherparish@derrydiocese.org
Mass is Live and Recorded on the Webcam at www.banagherparish.com

SVP Confidential Helpline: 07593954973