

# PARISH OF BANAGHER

## 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter – 5<sup>th</sup> May 2024

### Mass Times

Monday: St Joseph's Church, Fincairn: 9.30am

Tuesday: **\*No Mass this morning**

Wednesday: St Peter's & St Paul's Church, Foreglen: 7.00pm

Thursday: St Mary's Church, Altinure: 10.00am

Friday: St Joseph's Church, Fincairn: 9.30am

### Weekend Mass Times for Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> May 2024

St Joseph's Church, Fincairn: 7.00pm Vigil

St Mary's Church, Altinure: 10.30am

St Peter's & St Paul's Church, Foreglen: 12noon

### Confessions

St Joseph's Church, Fincairn: Friday: 10:00am

St Joseph's Church, Fincairn: Saturday: 6.30pm

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

St Joseph's Church, Fincairn: Friday 10.00am – 11.00am

**Rest in Peace:** We offer our sincere sympathies to the family and friends of Bridie McCloskey RIP, Carnanbane, who was buried this past week.

**A First Anniversary Mass** for the happy repose of the soul of Teresa McGaughey RIP, will be celebrated in St Mary's Church, Altinure on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> May at 10am.

**Baptism** We welcome into God's family Cadhla Marie Kerlin.

**Acknowledgement** Fr Micheál would like to acknowledge the generous donation of £100 for the use of the hall received from the family of Kevin McHenry RIP.

### First Holy Communion

First Holy Communion Mass for the P4 children of St. Mary's Primary School will be celebrated in St Mary's Church, Altinure at 11am.

The P4 children of St Peter's & St Paul's Primary School will celebrate their First Holy Communion at St Peter's & St Paul's Church, Foreglen at 2pm.

We wish the children all the best for their special day!

**Priests of the Diocese of Derry** will be gathering in Dromantine from Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May to Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> May to further their discussions and discernment for the way forward for the Diocese of Derry. Please keep them in your prayers.

**Children's Liturgy** Banagher Parish are currently seeking Parent Volunteers for the Children's Liturgy (Primary 1-3) which takes place each Sunday at 10:30am mass in St Mary's Church Altinure. Our Children's Liturgy is a fantastic group but it needs more enthusiastic parent volunteers to play a vital role in shaping the faith formation journey of the children in our parish. If you are free some Sundays and are interested in helping our local parish and joining the team, please contact the School Liaison Coordinator for Banagher & Claudy Parish, Aine Patton at: aine.patton@derrydiocese.org or at the Banagher Parish Office: 02877781223

### BANAGHER HOPE CAMP

29<sup>th</sup> July – 2<sup>nd</sup> August

**Volunteer and Participant Registration are now LIVE!**

**Prayer for Vocations** We pray for those chosen by the Lord to serve the Church as priests of the diocese of Derry that, like the disciples in today's gospel, they will accept the Lord's commission to "...go out and bear fruit, fruit that will last."

May	St Joseph's Church, Fincairn		St Mary's Church, Altinure
	7.00pm	9.15am	10.30am
<b>Readers</b>	Pauline McGrellis	Sheena McGrellis	Corinne Coyle
<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	Joanne Donaghy	Anne Hasson	Andrena O'Kane
<b>Flowers</b>	Sheena McGrellis		Mary Redmond
<b>Cleaning</b>	Breige O'Neill		Mary Redmond & Cora Kerlin
<b>Counters</b>	Bridie McErlean, Hugh Francis O'Neill		Philomena Conway, Sean Conway, Karen Feeney
<b>Collectors</b>	Dermot Lynch Vincent McCloskey	Anthony O'Neill Patrick McGrellis	Martin Smyth, Eamon Feeney Patrick Conway

**The Little Way Novena in St Eugene's Cathedral** – 11th May to 19th May: The theme is **'I choose your will only'**. The Novena will begin at the 7.30 pm Mass with the Sacrament of the Sick on Saturday, 11th May. Devotions and talk on Sunday, 12th May at 6.00 pm. Monday to Friday (13th to 17th May) Novena Masses at 6.30 am and 10.00 am each morning and an evening service with a guest speaker at 7.30 pm. Saturday, 18th May 10.00 am Mass for those who have died. The Novena will close on Sunday, 19th May at 3.00 pm. Everyone is welcome to St Eugene's Cathedral for this time of prayer and petition.

**Masters in Catholic School Leadership Information Session 20th May 2024** The Derry Diocesan Catechetical Centre, working in Partnership with Saint Mary's University, Twickenham, offers the Masters in Catholic School Leadership. This is a post graduate degree dedicated to the professional development and spiritual formation of Catholic school leaders. It is a great opportunity for those currently in leadership roles and those who aspire to, or have an interest in, leadership roles within the Catholic School system. An information session via ZOOM will be held on Monday 20th May 2024 at 3.30pm. If you require any further information, or wish to register for the information session, please contact the Derry Diocesan Catechetical Centre on 004428 71264087 or email [tferry@derrydiocese.org](mailto:tferry@derrydiocese.org)

**Mary's Meals - Pray in May** Mary's Meals, provides school meals to over 2.4 million children every day. During the month of May, dedicated to Our Lady, we invite you to join us in praying for the hungry children who rely on our life-changing school meals, and for all the children and families around the world who live in poverty. We are praying particularly for families facing extreme food insecurity and hunger in Ethiopia. For further details on our Ethiopia appeal and prayer resources for adults & children visit [www.marysmeals.org.uk/prayinmay](http://www.marysmeals.org.uk/prayinmay)

#### **Feast Days this Week**

**Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> May: Blessed Edmund Rice** following the death of his wife in 1789, he devoted himself to prayer and to the education of the poor in his hometown of Waterford: the children being taught were so poor that they needed to be clothed and fed as well. He founded schools and undertook the training of teachers. In 1808 he and six companions took religious vows. This was the nucleus of the Presentation Brothers, who continue to this day. The Christian Brothers share the same root.

**Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May: Saint François de Laval (1623 - 1708)** He was the first bishop of New France, later to become Canada. He founded a seminary and had schools and churches built. He resigned his bishopric in 1684 but remained in New France and acted as deputy to his successor. He was canonized by Pope Francis on 3 April 2014.

**Friday 10<sup>th</sup> May: St Comgall** was born around 516 in Co Antrim. His father was a soldier and wished his son to follow in his steps, but Comgall wanted to be a soldier of Christ. He studied under Finnian of Moville and deepened his life in prayer, establishing monasteries at Bangor and Tiree which attracted people like Columbanus. He died after a long illness at Pentecost 602 or 605.

**The Parish Webcams** are now available to view on the Firestick. If you search for the iTech Media App and download it to your Firestick, you can then search for the Church.

**Safeguarding Notice:** 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. Please 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. Outside areas and the interiors of St Joseph's Church, Fincairn and St Mary's Church, Altinure are covered by CCTV.

#### **COMMUNITY NEWS**

**Dementia Friendly Tea Dances on Tour** Dementia Friendly Tea Dances in partnership with Learmount Community Development Group Park Hall, Park Village, Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> May from 2pm – 3.30pm. The tea dance is free with an afternoon of entertainment and music provided by The Ringabellas! Booking for our Tea Dances is now open; booking is essential. Places are limited – Tel. 02871 264455 (Option 1) to book and advise of dietary requirements. For further info on Dementia Friendly Tea Dances contact Lisa Heaney on 02871 272779.

**St Mary's GAC, Banagher:** Lotto numbers for 30.4.24 were 5, 9, 16, 26. Winning £20 each were Clare McLaughlin, Eva Rose Clarke, Linda O'Hara, Gretta McGillion and Leo Coll. Thanks to everyone who continues to support our club Lotto. It is greatly appreciated. Next week's Jackpot is £4,800.

**Glenshane House** - L2 Autism course on Tuesday, 7th May from 6-9 pm (4 weeks) and First Aid & Defib training starts on Wednesday, 15th May, 7-9 pm (4 weeks). To register, Tel. 028 777 42494.

#### **PARISH CLERGY**

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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](mailto:banagherparish@derrydiocese.org).

**Parish Office** opening hours next week: Tuesday - Friday: 9.30am - 12.30pm.

**Mass is Live on the Webcam at [www.banagherparish.com](http://www.banagherparish.com)**

**SVP Confidential Helpline: 07593954973**