

PARISH OF BANAGHER

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time – 6th October 2024

Mass Times this Week

Monday: St Joseph's Church, Fincairn: 9.30am
 Tuesday: St Mary's Church, Altinure: 10.00am
 Wednesday: St Peter's & St Paul's Church, Foreglen: 7pm
 Thursday: St Mary's Church, Altinure: 10.00am
 Friday: St Joseph's Church, Fincairn: 9.30am

Weekend Mass Times for Sunday 13th October 2024

St Joseph's Church, Fincairn: 7.00pm Vigil
 St Mary's Church, Altinure: 10.30am
 St Peter's & St Paul's Church, Foreglen: 12.00pm Noon

Confessions

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

A Month's Mind Mass will be celebrated for Benny McCullough RIP in St Joseph's Church, Fincairn on Saturday 12th October at 7pm.

Banagher Parish Novena in honour of St. Pio of Pietrelcina

Thank you everyone for participating at our recent Banagher Parish Novena in honour of St. Pio of Pietrelcina at any time over the course of the nine days in church or online. Thank you for your sincere faith and generous spirit you have shared from early morning to evening time. Thank you for your time and attention, and kind support of our guest speakers at all the devotions and the warm welcome you have shown them.

Thanks to the Guest Speakers: Bishop Donal McKeown, Charlene McDaid, Barry Mallett, Brendan McGinn, Martina Davidson and Fr. Bryan Shortall for being with us, and sharing their personal stories and powerful experiences of being helped by St. Pio. Thank you sacristans, readers, singers, musicians and eucharistic ministers across our three churches for your contribution carrying us through each day.

Thank you members of our Banagher Pastoral Council for planning the Novena, contacting speakers, and organizing readers and music. Thanks to Fr. Micheál McGavigan for putting this Novena in motion. Thank you St. Canice's and St. Mary's Primary Schools for printing the leaflets for the different devotions. Thanks to Maeve for the presence of St. Pio's relic and to Dungiven Parish for loaning us their painting of St. Pio for the Novena. I hope the Novena has been a good spiritual experience for everyone at hopefully a helpful time. May St. Pio help bring your petitions and prayers to God, and may the Lord bless you and all of your family and friends.

SVP Parish conference realise that the ongoing cuts to various funding and the range of cost-of living pressures will significantly impact on many in our Parish. The withdrawal of the winter fuel payment is just one of the government's recent decisions that will undoubtedly have a detrimental impact on many people. The rising living costs have also created additional financial burden. Help is available to assist should you encounter need. SVP Tel No 07593954973. We take this opportunity to again thank you sincerely for your continued support, donations and contributions to the box collections in the churches.

BANAGHER PARISH MONTHLY CASH PRIZE DRAW – TICKETS ON SALE

First Draw – Friday 18th October

Money raised will go towards the ongoing refurbishment and repair of our Churches.

First Draw takes place on Friday 18th October.

Please return all ticket stubs and money to the sacristy in the chapel or leave at the Parochial house within the next week.

30 chances to win – ticket costs £30. Tickets are available in the chapel sacristies, Spar Feeny, Vivo Park, Mace Derrychrier, Feeny Community Association & Sperrinview Feeny.

Your support for the Draw is greatly appreciated.

October	St Joseph's Church, Fincairn		St Mary's Church, Altinure
	7.00pm	9.15am	10.30am
Readers	Pauline McGrellis	Sheena McGrellis	Leo Devine
Eucharistic Ministers	Darragh McCloskey	Breige O'Neill	Catherine Devine
Flowers	Bridie McErlan		Corrine Coyle
Cleaning	Lorraine O'Kane, Marie French, Sarah McGrellis		Catherine Ball, Emma O'Donnell
Counters	Liam & Siobhan Campbell, Briege O'Neill Peter McCullagh		Olive O'Neill, Mary Conway Betty McAteer
Collectors	Dermot O'Hara Pat McCullagh	Jackie Hasson Liam Campbell	Hugh Grieve, Jimmy Barry Murphy JT McCloskey

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

28th & 29th September 2024

St Joseph's Church, Fincairn: £790 St Mary's Church, Altinure: £505

Please consider online contributions and Gift Aid. Online Contributions to:

Parish of Banagher Sort Code: 950306 A/c 51052659

Thank you for your continued generosity.

Prayer for Vocations Whilst this weekend's readings speak to us about the vocation of marriage and invite us to pray for engaged and married couples, we pray also for those called to serve as priests of this diocese, thinking particularly of the four men to be interviewed next weekend as they hope to begin seminary studies in January.

Catholic Chaplaincy at Queen's University Belfast - Sunday Masses The Catholic Chaplaincy reopened earlier this month in its temporary premises at No. 42 University Road, offering facilities including a Chapel with daily Mass, study space and Cafe. More on our programme and services can be found at our website qubcatholic.org. Our Annual Dedication of Studies Mass takes place in the University's Great Hall today, Sunday, 6 October at 8pm and will be presided over by recent alumnus, Fr Chris Gault OP. Students, staff, alumni and friends are most welcome to join us as we pray God's blessing on the academic community at Queen's for the year ahead.

Visit of the Relics of St Bernadette to the Diocese of Derry The Holy Relics of St Bernadette are currently on pilgrimage from Lourdes to Ireland, visiting every diocese in Ireland during September and October. The relics will visit St Eugene's Cathedral, Derry, from 2pm on Sunday 13 to Monday 14 October. Stewards are needed for the Visit of the Relics of St. Bernadette on those days. If you can spare some time, please contact the Cathedral Parish Office on 028 71262894 or email cathedral@derrydiocese.org. Full programme of times of viewing can be found at derrydiocese.org

Feast Days this Week

Wednesday 9th October: St John Henry Cardinal Newman (1801 - 1890) was born on 21 February 1801 in London, England. As an Anglican clergyman he was renowned preacher and theologian. Ordained a priest on the 30th May 1847, he was an influential writer on the development of Christian doctrine, the true understanding of conscience, faith and reason and the role of the laity. In 1879 he was created Cardinal by Pope Leo XIII and given the title of San Giorgio in Velabro. He was beatified by Pope Benedict XVI on 19 September 2010 and canonised by Pope Francis on 13 October 2019.

Friday 11th October: St Canice (515-599) St Cainnech of Aghaboe is also known as St Canice in Ireland, St Kenneth in Scotland and in Latin Saint Canicus. He was an Irish abbot, monastic founder, priest and missionary. Born at Glengiven, near Dungiven in Ireland. He spent his early years watching his chieftain's flocks. In 543 he became a pupil at Finian's monastic school at Clonard. Twelve students who studied under St. Finian became known as the Twelve Apostles of Ireland; St Canice was one of these. He died and was interred at the Abbey of Aghaboe in 599/600 which he established.

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.

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.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Learmount Community Development Group: This incoming week in Park: **Monday 7th October:** Time For Me 60+ Ladies: 10.30am - 12.30pm; Dementia Social Group: 11am - 1pm; Ladies Yoga: 7pm - 7.45pm; Men's Yoga: 8pm - 8.45pm; Art Class: 7.30pm - 8.30pm; **Tuesday 8th:** Craft and Crochet Club: 10.30am - 12.30pm; Men's Hobby Workshop: 10.30am - 12.30pm; Advice NW: 2pm - 4pm; **Wednesday 9th:** Gardening Club: 11am - 1pm (Community Centre); Glass Lantern Painting Workshop 1: 7.30pm - 9.30pm (Resource Centre); Ladies 50+ Social Group: 7pm (Community Centre); **Thursday 10th:** Painting For Pleasure Art Class: 10.30am - 12.30pm; Park 60+ Club: 12pm - 2pm; Book Club: 8pm (Community Centre); **Friday 11th:** Learmount Walking Group: 10.30am; Halloween Costumes Swap Shop: Donations of old or outgrown costumes can be dropped off at either Centre. A swap shop will take place next week in the Resource Centre whereby people can pick up a preloved costume for their child (ren). Starting on 15th October: an 8 week crochet class with Teresa McSwiney. Suitable for beginners. For further information, contact Karen at the Community Centre on 028 77781881 or 07592 995229 or email: admin@learmountgroup.org.

St Mary's GAC, Banagher: Lotto numbers for 1.10.24 were 3, 11, 13 & 17. Winning £35 each was John O'Donnell, Noel McGlinchey and Michael O'Neill. Thanks to everyone who continues to support our club Lotto. It is greatly appreciated. Next week's Jackpot is £7,000.

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

Parish Office opening hours next week: Monday – Friday: 9.30am - 12.30pm.

**Mass is Live on the Webcam at www.banagherparish.com
SVP Confidential Helpline: 07593954973**