

PARISH OF BANAGHER

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time – 20th October 2024

Mass Times this Week

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

***Tuesday: St Peter's & St Paul's Church, Foreglen: 10.00am.** *Beginning of School Year Mass for St Peter's & St Paul's Primary School, Foreglen*

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 20th 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: 12pm 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 First Anniversary Mass will be celebrated for Peter Conway RIP in St Peter's & St Paul's Church, Foreglen on Wednesday 23rd October at 7pm.

A Month's Mind Mass will be celebrated for Hugh Patrick Mullan RIP in St Peter's & St Paul's Church, Foreglen on Sunday 27th October at 12pm Noon.

The Irish Pilgrimage Trust collection will take place next weekend, 26th & 27th October, at all three churches in the parish. The Irish Pilgrimage Trust bring children and young people with special needs on a week-long pilgrimage holiday to Lourdes each Easter. The groups share a wonderful fun-filled week together which includes playing games in the park, day trips to the mountains, forest or the coast, fancy-dress parties, large Masses full of music and colour, the candlelight procession and visits to the Grotto. Your support is greatly appreciated.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

12th & 13th October 2024

St Joseph's Church, Fincairn: £900

St Mary's Church, Altinure: £645

St Peter's & St Paul's, Foreglen: £538

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.

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.

BRIGID 1500 - Saint Brigid - Woman of Peace: Reflecting on the life of Saint Brigid, who was a woman of peace throughout Ireland, we invite you to join us in a beautiful liturgy of music, prayer, scripture and reflection, as we gather to pray for peace throughout the world today. St Brigid's Church, Carnhill, Derry, Sunday 27th October 2024, 5.00pm. All welcome.

Prayer for Vocations As we celebrate Mission Sunday, we pray for those who hope to play their part in the Church's mission of spreading the Good News of God's love as future priests of the diocese of Derry.

Pilgrimage to Fatima Departing from Dublin Easter 2025, flying with TAP airlines. Last remaining seats. Also, 13th June 2025 for Feast of Saint Anthony and 13th October 2025 for Miracle of Sun. Payments by instalments are accepted. Contact James Treacy at jamestreacyphotography@gmail.com or on 00353 61921470.

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.

Feast Days this Week

Tuesday 22nd October:

St John Paul II was pope for over twenty-six years, from 22nd October 1978, when he was inaugurated as universal Pastor of the Church, until his death on 2nd April 2005. Born Karol Józef Wojtyła in 1920 in Wadowice, Poland, St John Paul II was ordained Bishop of Krakow in 1958 and took a significant part in the Second Vatican Council. As Bishop of Rome, Pope John Paul II visited all of the Roman parishes and made apostolic journeys to 104 countries, including Ireland from 29th September to 2nd October 1979.

Thursday 24th October:

St Anthony Mary Claret 1807 – 70. After becoming a priest, he spent several years preaching to the people throughout Catalonia and in the Canary Islands. Returning to Spain, he established a missionary order, the Claretians, and founded a great religious library and publishing house in Barcelona. Ordained Archbishop of Santiago, Cuba, in 1851, he was recalled to Spain in 1857 by Queen Isabella II to act as her confessor, he did further great work for the Church. He was exiled along with the monarchy and died at the Cistercian abbey at Fontfroide.

St John of Capistrano, 1386 – 1456, studied civil and canon law and joined the Franciscan Order. A faithful servant of four popes, he attended the Council of Florence, went to Jerusalem as apostolic emissary, and, in 1452, set out on a preaching tour through German provinces and Poland. In a battle at Belgrade, he contracted fever and died there. Patron saint of jurists and military chaplains.

Sunday 27th October: St Otteran was a descendant of Conall Gulban and is usually identified with Odhran who preceded Columba in Iona. He was abbot of Meath before settling in Iona. He died in 548 and his grave on Iona was greatly revered. As a result, the Vikings chose Otteran, the titular guardian of their ancestors' ashes, as patron of the city of Waterford in 1096. He is now patron saint of the Diocese of Waterford and Lismore.

COMMUNITY NEWS

St Mary's GAC, Banagher: Lotto numbers for 15.10.24 were 3, 9, 18 & 20. Winning £15 each was Catherine Forrester, Grace Guy, Mairead Devine, Cathal Toby O'Kane, Laurence O'Kane, Martin O'Kane, Carl Smalls & Natalie McCloskey. Thanks to everyone who continues to support our club Lotto. It is greatly appreciated. Next week's Jackpot is £7,200.

Glenshane House, Dungiven - Irish Dancing classes every Tuesday from 6-7 pm. From 4 years of age. To book a place please call Lisa on 07815951605 or 028777 42494.

Art Classes with Sheila Byrne starting on Wednesday, 23 October 7-9 pm for 6 weeks. All materials supplied. A few spaces available.

Home Safety Talk and Falls Awareness talks will take place on Wednesday 23rd October from 11 to 12 pm. Hosted by Causeway Coast & Glens Safety Officers. Light refreshments served. To register Tel 028 777 42494

Learmount Community Development Group: This incoming week in Park: **Monday 21st October:** Time For Me 60+ Ladies: 10.30am - 12.30pm; Ladies Yoga: 7pm - 7.45pm; Men's Yoga: 8pm - 8.45pm; Art Class: 7.30pm - 8.30pm; **Tuesday 22nd:** Crochet Class: 10.30am - 12.30pm; Men's Hobby Workshop: 10.30am - 12.30pm; Park DEED's Dementia Social Morning: 11am - 1pm; Advice NW: 2pm - 4pm; **Wednesday 23rd:** Community Centre closed to the Public; **Thursday 24th:** Post Office Outreach Service: 9am - 12pm (Resource Centre); Painting For Pleasure Art Class: 10.30am - 12.30pm; Park 60+ Club: 12pm - 2pm; **Friday 25th:** Learmount Walking Group: 10.30am; Learmount History Group (Roe Valley Ancestral Researchers): 7.30pm - 9pm; **Saturday 26th:** Mini PAC (Toddlers): 10am - 11am; Children's PAC Club: 11.30am - 1pm. **Sunday 27th:** Dachshund Dog Walk: Meet at Learmount Community Centre 2pm - refreshments afterwards in Community Centre.

Halloween Forest Trail (Heroes and Villains) in Learmount Forest from **Monday 21st October:** Pick up a map and find the heroes and Villains hidden amongst the trees. Drop your entries off at the Community Centre for a chance to win cash prizes. **Halloween Pumpkin decorating competition:** Design a pumpkin, squash or turnip with your child or grandchild, take a selfie with it (You / your child must be in the photo), tag Learmount Group or send us the photo. Alternatively call into the Centre on **Wed 30th October** with your pumpkin from 2pm onwards. Judging of the pumpkins will take place at 3pm. Cash prizes for the three best decorated and the most humorous.

For further information on any of our classes, groups or events, contact Karen at the Community Centre on 028 77781881 or 07592 995229 or email: admin@learmountgroup.org or / and follow us on Facebook and Instagram.

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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