

PARISH OF BANAGHER

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time – 3rd November 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 10th November 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

November Mass for the Dead praying in a special way for all those who have died in our parish over the past year will take place in St Joseph's Church, Fincairn on Thursday 7 November at 7.30pm. During the Mass Fr Dermot will call out the names of those who have died and a family member is invited to bring a candle to the altar in memory of their loved one. (Candles will be available at the back of the Church).

Rest in Peace We offer our sincere sympathies for the family and friends of Michael Lynch RIP, Derrychrier Road, who was buried during the week.

Baptisms We welcome into God's family Charlotte Annie O'Kane & Rosie Erin O'Kane, Freya Martina Scullion and Conan John Donaghy.

Acknowledgement Fr Dermot would like to the very generous donation of £150 for the use of the hall after the funeral of Bill Bagster RIP.

| November | St Joseph's Church, Fincairn | | St Mary's Church, Altinure |
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| | 7.00pm | 9.15am | 10.30am |
| Readers | Elaine Loughery | Hugh Francis O'Neill | Maeve McLaughlin |
| Eucharistic Ministers | Patsy McDermott | Anne Hasson | Margaret O'Kane |
| Flowers | Margaret Cartin, Seamus McLaughlin | | Barbara Sharkey |
| Cleaning | Briege O'Neill, Pauline McGrellis | | Brenda McCloskey, Shauna Quirk, Alison O'Neill |
| Counters | Bridie McErlean, Briege O'Neill | | Christine McGaughey, Celine McGaughey, Ann O'Kane |
| Collectors | Marty McGrellis, Vincent McCloskey | Anthony O'Neill, Patrick McGrellis | Stephen Gormley, Tony Gormley, Shaun & Shane McElhinney |

Visitation of the Sick & Housebound will take place at the following times this forthcoming week: Thursday – Park, Friday – Feeny Area. Please let Fr Dermot know if you would not like a visit this month by contacting the Parochial House on 028777 81223.

The Irish Pilgrimage Trust collections that took place last weekend at all three churches in the parish raised a total of £1175.35 and E44.00. Your support and generosity is sincerely appreciated and will go a long way towards providing the children with an incredible and very memorable trip away.

Save the Date! Sunday 24th November the date for SVP Christmas Party at the Roe Park Resort Limavady @ 1.30pm. To book and make menu choice please contact conference member or phone 07593954973. Donation £15. Details Re Transport pick up/times to follow. Look forward to having your company on 24th. St Joseph's and St Marys Conference Banagher.

Prayer for Vocations That those called to serve as priests of the diocese of Derry will reflect, in their words and actions, the holiness, innocence, purity, and sinlessness of Jesus Christ, the High Priest.

Sycamore - Faith Discovery programme: Sycamore is an informal course about our Catholic faith and its relevance for life today. It gives you space to meet other people, share ideas, explore your beliefs, and think about questions that really matter. In preparation for the Jubilee year 2025 the focus will be on the gift of prayer. Each Sycamore session involves a short film and plenty of time for quiet reflection and discussion. The course will be run by Fr Peter O'Kane, Derry Diocesan Adult Faith Formator, on the following dates: Monday: 4, 11, 18, 25 Nov & 1 Dec. Venue: Muff, Co Donegal and Tuesday: 5, 12, 19, 26 Nov & 2 Dec. Venue: Dungiven, Co Derry. Time at both venues: 7.30pm to 9.30pm. To help facilitation at venues, please register at derrydiocese.org/sycamore. Refreshments will be provided. Everyone is welcome.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Deceased Children & Young People's Mass: The Annual Mass for deceased children and young people will take place in St Eugene's Cathedral, Derry, next Sunday, 10 November, at 7:00pm. There will be an opportunity to write down the name of your deceased loved one before Mass. All are welcome to attend. You can also join this Mass live on the St Eugene's Cathedral webcam. If you are unable to attend this Mass in person but would like to have a child or young person remembered at it, please email the name to lizzie.rea@derrydiocese.org by Friday 8 November.

Pioneer Pledge for the month of the Holy Souls: A short-term pledge gives spiritual support and encouragement to people and their families who are living under a shadow of addiction. Contact the Pioneer Total Abstinence Association on 003531 805 4226 or via www.pioneers.ie/pray

"Dilexit nos - He loved us" - Encyclical of Pope Francis: Prayers and Reflections based on "the Human and the Divine Love of the Heart of Jesus Christ" have been prepared for Pioneers, Parish groups, Families, AA / NA groups and are available on www.pioneers.ie.

Trócaire School Volunteers: Are you a retired teacher or someone who has experience presenting to groups of school children? Do you have a passion for making this world a better place, especially for the most vulnerable? Trócaire is looking for volunteers to support our 2025 Lent Appeal in the Derry Diocese. If you think you have the right skills and experience and will be available to help during school hours over Lent, then we would love to hear from you. Full training and ongoing support will be provided. For more information, please call Naomi Purnell on 028 9080 8033 or email naomi.purnell@trocaire.org.

Ards Friary Retreats - 'What is God's Dream for your Life' Retreat: Wednesday 6 November 10.00am -3.30pm. Additional dates 11 December 2024; 22 January 2025 and 19 February 2025. This day will be welcoming of everyone, wherever they find themselves on life's journey. Facilitated by Jim Deeds. Cost 65.00 Euro (includes light refreshments & Lunch). For enquiries and bookings contact Ards T: 00353 74 913 8909; E: info@ardsfriary.ie **Advent Reflection Retreat:** Preparing for the Birth of the Christ Child: Sunday 10 November, 1pm-6pm. Join us for a day of Scripture, song and silence that will equip us to go into Advent with plenty to fill our minds and hearts as we prepare to celebrate the birth of Jesus once more. Facilitated by Jim Deeds. Cost 65.00 Euro (includes light refreshments & Lunch) For enquiries and bookings contact Ards T: 00353 74 913 8909; E: info@ardsfriary.ie. **Walking with the Franciscan Mystics Retreat.** Friday 22 November to Sunday 24 November. In this workshop we will encounter some of the great Franciscan Mystic and find ways we can share in their wisdom and vision for a world renewed by the light of Christ. Facilitated by Br Richard Hendrick. Cost 240.00 Euro. For info email info@ardsfriary.ie or visit www.ardsfriary.ie

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.

St Mary's GAC, Banagher: Lotto numbers for 29.10.24 were 7, 13, 17 & 21. Winning £12 each was Gearoid O'Neill, Eugene Lockhart, Shane Campbell, Kerry Campbell, Bernadette Logue, Dana Robinson, Martin Brolly, Colm & Ann McLaughlin & Bridget O'Kane. Thanks to everyone who continues to support our club Lotto. It is greatly appreciated. Next week's Jackpot is £7,400.

Learmount Community Development Group: This incoming week in Park: **Monday 4th November:** Time For Me 60+ Ladies: 10.30am - 12.30pm; Park DEED's Dementia Social Group: 11am - 1pm; Ladies Yoga: 7pm - 7.45pm; Men's Yoga: 8pm - 8.45pm; Art Class: 7.30pm - 8.30pm; **Tuesday 5th November:** Crochet Class (week 4) with Theresa McSwiney: 10.30am - 12.30pm; Men's Hobby Workshop: 10.30am - 12.30pm; Advice NW (Citizen's Advice): 2pm - 4pm; **Thursday 7th November:** Post Office Outreach Service: 9am - 12pm (Resource Centre); Painting For Pleasure Art Class: 10.30am - 12.30pm; Park 60+ Club: 12pm - 2pm; **Friday 8th November:** Learmount Walking Group: 10.30am. **Date for your diary:** Santa and his friends]will be coming to Park on Friday 6th December at 7pm to switch on the Christmas Lights.

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.

Glenshane House, Dungiven - ONC L3 Special Needs course. Course starting soon. A few spaces remaining. 10 weeks x 3 hours. To register Tel 028 777 42494

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.

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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