

PARISH OF BANAGHER

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time – 10th 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, Foreglen: 7:00pm

Wednesday: St Joseph's Church, Fincairn: 7.00pm *The Service of Light*

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

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

Weekend Mass Times for Sunday 17th November 2024

St Joseph's Church, Fincairn: 7.00pm Vigil; 9.15am

St Mary's Church, Altinure: 10.30am

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

Visitation of the Sick & Housebound will take place in Foreglen on Thursday 14 November. Please let Fr Dermot know if you would not like a visit this month by contacting the Parochial House on 028 77781223

Deceased Children & Young People's Mass: The Annual Mass for deceased children and young people will take place in St Eugene's Cathedral, Derry, today 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 or view live on the St Eugene's Cathedral webcam.

Prayer for Vocations That those called to serve as priests of the diocese of Derry will have the generosity of the widow in today's gospel.

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.

Aid to the Church in Need(ACN) in Ireland are to host events highlighting anti-Christian violence around the world as part of their annual 'Week of Witness' campaign. ACN invite all to join them in prayer on the 20th November. Each of ACN's national offices are running activities to commemorate #RedWednesday in all twenty countries they're based in - including Chile, Australia, Canada, and France. Here in Ireland, Knock Basilica; 24 of our nation's 26 cathedrals and the statue of St. Patrick on Slieve Patrick, near Downpatrick, will all be illuminated red to highlight global Christian persecution. Archbishop Linus Neli, the Archbishop of Imphal in India, will join us for events in Dublin and Belfast from Sunday 17th November to Tuesday the 19th November and he will speak about the current situation in India. He leads the Church in Manipur, where hundreds of Catholics have been killed for their faith, with thousands more displaced and several churches destroyed. ACN's campaign runs until the Sunday 24th November, with #RedWednesday on the 20th November the focal point of the week. For more info on events in Ireland this month and on ACN in general, please visit acnireland.org.

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.

The Net Sharing the fruits of the faith in the Derry Diocese, the latest edition of 'The Net' is available in print in parishes as well as on the Diocesan website. For coverage of faith related stories just email editorthenet15@gmail.com.

Ards Friary Retreats - 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

BANAGHER PARISH MONTHLY CASH PRIZE DRAW – NOVEMBER DRAW

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

A draw with 10 cash prizes will take place 22nd November and 13th December. 20 chances to win – ticket costs £30. Tickets still on sale and available to buy from our Church Sacristies, Feeny Spar, Park Vivo, Mace Derrychrier & Sperrin View Bar. Thank you for your support!

OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS

26th & 27th October 2024

St Joseph's Church, Fincairn: £535 St Mary's Church, Altinure: £760
St Peter's & St Paul's Church, Foreglen: £910

2nd & 3rd November 2024

St Joseph's Church, Fincairn: £760 St Mary's Church, Altinure: £350

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.

Feast Days this Week

Monday 11th November: St Martin of Tours (c.316 - 397) was born in the Roman province of Pannonia (approximating to the western half of modern Hungary) in about 316 and was educated at Pavia in Italy. He was ordained priest and became bishop of Tours after leaving his military life and establishing a monastery Liguge in Western France, guided by St Hilary. He gave an example of what a good shepherd should be. He founded other monasteries, educated the clergy, and preached the Gospel to the poor. He died in 397. It is said that, while a soldier in Amiens, St Martin gave half of his military cloak to a beggar and later had a dream in which the beggar revealed himself as Christ.

Tuesday 12th November: St Josaphat 1580 – 1623, was born into a Ukrainian Orthodox family. When St Josaphat was fifteen, the Union of Brest brought the Ruthenian Church into communion with Catholic Rome while still preserving its own liturgy. The result was a schism within the church itself, with one party wanting to remain Orthodox, while the other accepted the Union. Matters were complicated by the presence of the Greek Uniates, who remain a living church to this day. He became Bishop of Polotz and worked for the reunion of Ukrainian Catholics until his murder by those who opposed it. This resulted in many conversions.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Let's Change Tomorrow Let's Change Tomorrow will be taking up a collection from Glenshane House, Main Street in Dungiven on Sunday 10th November from 1.00pm – 4.00pm. Proceeds for victims of the war in Gaza and Lebanon.

We have a contact living in Beirut, a Christian charity worker who is co-ordinating an amazing relief project for displaced people in Lebanon. We are also working through the Irish Red Cross/Red Crescent in Gaza to help provide aid.

Please take time to come and donate. Your donation can make a big impact on people who have nothing.

St Mary's GAC, Banagher: Lotto numbers for 5.11.2024 were 4, 5, 11 & 27. Winning £20 each was Briege O'Neill, Marie O'Neill, Sammy & Ann Duddy, Siobhan Guy and Maureen McGilligan. Thanks to everyone who continues to support our club Lotto. It is greatly appreciated. Next week's Jackpot is £7,500.

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.

Millenium Forum Aladdin – Accessible Performances: Wednesday 4 December @ 7pm – Signed Performance; Saturday 7 December @ 2pm – Relaxed & Dementia Friendly; Sunday 22 December @ 1.30pm – Audio Described. Tickets for this performances are on-sale through our box office (02871 264455 choose option 1) or on our website www.millenniumforum.co.uk

Learmount Community Development Group: This incoming week in Park: **Monday 11th 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 12th November:** Crochet Class (week 5) with Theresa McSwiney: 10.30am - 12.30pm; Men's Hobby Workshop: 10.30am - 12.30pm; Advice NW (Citizen's Advice): 2pm - 4pm; **Wednesday 13th November:** Learmount Gardening Club: 11am (Community Centre); **Thursday 14th November:** Post Office Outreach Service: 9am - 12pm (Resource Centre); Painting For Pleasure Art Class: 10.30am - 12.30pm; Park 60+ Club: 12pm - 2pm; Learmount Book Club: 8pm (Community Centre); **Friday 15th 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 A talk with question-and-answer time will be given on Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder if there is enough interest in this subject. Time and date will be arranged once enough interest is registered. Tel 028 777 42494
ONC L3 Special Needs course. Course starting soon. A few spaces remaining. 10 weeks x 3 hours. To register Tel 028 777 42494

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.

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CONTACT US

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