

PARISH OF BANAGHER

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time – 17th 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: 7:00pm

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

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

Weekend Mass Times for Sunday 24th 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

A Month's Mind Mass will be celebrated for Michael Lynch RIP, Derrychrier Rd, St Joseph's Church, Fincairn on Saturday 23rd November 2024 at 7pm.

Baptisms We welcome into God's family Lorcan Darragh McCloskey and Lochlan Sean O'Hara.

Fr Dermot would like to acknowledge the generous donation from Kathleen and the Lynch family for the use of the hall after the funeral of Michael Lynch RIP.

SVP Christmas Party is on Sunday 24th November in Roe Park Resort Limavady at 1.30. Please contact a member of the conference group or Phone 07593954973 to book Details Re Transport times and arrangements available when booking. We look forward to your company on 24th November at the Roe Park. St Joseph's and St Mary's SVP.

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.

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 on Friday 22nd November and Friday 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, Sperrin View Bar & Mace Derrychrier . Thank you for your support!

Prayer for Vocations That our seminarians and those discerning a vocation as priests of this diocese will "shine as brightly as the stars of heaven" and be zealous in the instruction and example they give of Christian living to God's people.

St John Paul II Prayer for Vocations - Shortly before his death in 2005, Pope St John Paul II blessed a monstrance which was to be used for the purpose of praying for Vocations. The monstrance which is currently making its way around Ireland will be in the Church of the Immaculate Conception, Trench Road, Derry, on Thursday 21st November. There will be a Holy Hour of Intercession for vocations to the Priesthood in the Diocese of Derry on Thursday 21st November 2024 from 8:00pm to 9:00pm in the Church of the Immaculate Conception, Trench Road. All are welcome to come and pray for this intention.

Save the Date - The 2025 Derry Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock will take place on Sunday 15th June.

Calling All Men to St Joseph's Church, Galliagh, Derry: Saturday 23 November from 2.30 – 5.30pm. Three hours of Adoration, talk on Christ the King and the father's role in the family. Ending with Vigil Mass of Christ the King at 7.15pm. Confessions during adoration and St Padre Pio Relic will be available.

Radio Maria Ireland Christmas Fundraiser! Join us on Thursday 28th November in the Mount Errigal Hotel, Letterkenny. Doors open at 6pm followed by a four-course meal, live music information about Radio Maria and its Mission, Vision and how it can help support the faithful in Ireland today. Enjoy a great night and help a charity! To book your ticket (€65/£60 per person) go to [Eventbrite.ie](https://www.eventbrite.ie) or to book over the phone. For info, call the studio on 01 4 123456 or visit www.radiomaria.ie Radio Maria Ireland is available on digital television via Saorview channel 210, website www.radiomaria.ie, or on the App 'Radio Maria Ireland', via Alexa, Facebook and Google and, for those without digital connectivity via landline phone broadcast on 01 437 3277.

Dominican Friars - Online Advent Retreat for parishioners. The speaker is Fr Stephen Cummins OP. The title of the retreat is: 'Keeping Vigil for the Vulnerable God'. The link for parishioners to sign up for the Retreat is: <https://prioryinstitute.com/events/2024-online-advent-retreat>

Advent Course for Young People The youth department of the Catechetical Centre, in conjunction with Youth link NI, will be delivering a four-week course for Advent in two venues - Derry City and Maghera, for young people, including those doing the JPPII Award this year. If you would like to attend please email your name to lizzie.rea@derrydiocese.org.

SPARK: A weekend of fun, faith and friendship for 12-16 year olds. Do you know a young person who would like to build their faith and make new friends? Spark is a weekend experience which follows core themes from YouCat as well as stories of role models such as Bl. Carlo Acutis and Sr. Clare Crockett, to help young people learn about their faith, while making friends and hopefully having a bit of craic in the process! When? November 22nd – 24th. Where? Termonbacca Carmelite Retreat Centre, Derry. How to Book or find out more? Text or WhatsApp Brendan on +353 86 8043065. Cost? £70/€80 per person (to cover food and board) Spark is fully endorsed by Bishop McKeown and supported by local diocesan priests. Our adult volunteers are fully vetted and we take safeguarding very seriously. Please note that places are limited and will be allocated on a first come basis.

Mary's Meals Double the Love Appeal From now, any donation made will be doubled (up to £900,000)! Together, through Double the Love, we can keep our promise and bring hope this Christmas to the 2.4 million children who eat our meals, while striving to reach the next hungry child waiting. Please visit marysmeals.org.uk for information.

Ards Friary Retreats - Advent Reflection Retreat: 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

OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS

10th & 11th November 2024

St Joseph's Church, Fincairn: £705 St Mary's Church, Altinure: £1135
St Peter's & St Paul's Church, Foreglen: £636

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 18th November: St Elizabeth of Hungary (c1207 – 31), queen at fourteen, widowed and exiled at twenty, Franciscan tertiary until her death at twenty-four. A woman of prayer and service to the poor.

Wednesday 20th November: St Raphael Kalinowski (1835-1907) was a teacher, engineer, prisoner of war, royal tutor, and priest, who founded many Carmelite convents around Poland after their suppression by the Russians. He was born to Polish parents in the city of Vilnius in 1835. Following military service, he was condemned in 1864 to ten years of forced labour in Siberia for participating in the January Uprising against the Russians by those loyal to the Polish-Lithuanian Commonwealth. In 1877, he became a Discalced Carmelite and was contributed greatly to the restoration of many Discalced Carmelite communities in Poland that had previously been suppressed under Russian occupation. His life was distinguished by zeal for Church unity and by his unflagging devotion to his ministry as confessor and spiritual director. He died in Wadowice, Austria-Hungary, in 1907.

Friday 22nd November: St Cecelia was a second or third-century Roman Christian martyr. According to tradition, she refused to worship the Roman gods and was beheaded. She became the patroness of music and musicians, it being written that, as the musicians played at her wedding, Cecilia "sang in her heart to the Lord." he patroness of music and musicians

COMMUNITY NEWS

St Mary's GAC, Banagher: Lotto numbers for 12.11.2024 were 7, 9, 19 & 24. Winning £100 each was Brona Hasson. Thanks to everyone who continues to support our club Lotto. It is greatly appreciated. Next week's Jackpot is £7,600.

Learmount Community Development Group: Learmount Community Development Group: This incoming week in Park: Monday 18th 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 19th November: Crochet Class (week 6) with Theresa McSwiney: 10.30am - 12.30pm; Men's Hobby Workshop: 10.30am - 12.30pm; Advice NW (Citizen's Advice): 2pm - 4pm; Thursday 21st November: Post Office Outreach Service: 9am - 12pm (Resource Centre); Painting For Pleasure Art Class: 10.30am - 12.30pm; Park 60+ Club: 12pm - 2pm; Friday 22nd November: Learmount Walking Group: 10.30am. Monday 25th November: Hearing Aid Clinic: 11am (Resource Centre). ~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 Free 4-week Mindfulness course starts on Wednesday 20th November from 7-8pm. To register Tel 028 777 42494 or 07399023003 or just come along on the night.

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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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