PARISH OF BANAGHER

6th Sunday of Easter – 25th May 2025

Mass Times

Mass Times:
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 1st June 2025
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.

Baptism We welcome into God's family Ryan Sean Sherrin.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2025

The children of St. Canice's P.S., Feeny will celebrate their First Holy Communion on **Saturday 31st May** at 11.00am in St. Joseph's Church, Feeny.
Please keep the First Holy Communion children and their families in your prayers.

Friends of HOPE

This year we are starting Friends of HOPE. Thank you to the many businesses who have already donated £100 and more to our HOPE Camp Banagher 2025. Anyone who donates will have their business name recognised on our Facebook page and on our HOPE 2025 banner. You can PM our Facebook page or contact Karen Feeney on 077 2991 2276, Tracy Stevenson on 077 1079 3718 or Gemma Campbell on 077 0806 0746. Thanks in advance for all your support, and with your help, we will be able to give the children in our parish a fabulous week in August.

June	St Joseph's Church, Fincairn		St Mary's Church, Altinure
	7.00pm	9.15am	10.30am
Readers	Briege O'Neill	Jack McColgan	Patrick Conway
Eucharistic Ministers	Darragh McCloskey	Geraldine McCloskey	Margaret O'Kane
Flowers	Lucy McLaughlin & Jean O'Neill		Karen Feeney
Cleaning	Lucy McLaughlin & Jean O'Neill		Una Devine, Karen Feeney
Counters	Ann Hasson, Marian & Anthony O'Neill Patricia McCloskey		Olive O'Neill, Mary Conway, Betty McAteer
Collectors	Dermot O'Hara Pat McCullagh	Jackie Hasson Liam Campbell	Hugh Grieve, Jimmy Barry Murphy JT McCloskey

Prayer for Vocations In this Sunday's Gospel Jesus prays for His disciples and for those who will come to faith through their words. We pray for the men called to preach the Word of God as priests of the Diocese of Derry and for those among whom they will minister**.**

Pray for Life Novena: The Pray for Life Novena is an invitation to join thousands of people across Ireland to pray for the protection of human life, from **Friday 23rd May** to the Feast of the Visitation on **Saturday 31st May**. Each day's intention is accompanied by a short reflection and suggested actions to help build a culture of life in Ireland. Visit www.prayforlife.ie for the daily novena prayers and for daily reminders. The prayers will also be posted on facebook.com/PrayforLifeNovena @PrayforLife_ie on X and @prayforlifenovena on Instagram. This is a Council for Life of the Irish Catholic Bishops' Conference initiative.

All Ireland Rosary Rally, Knock Shrine, Saturday, 7th June. Events begin at 9:30am with a Marian Conference and conclude with a Pentecost Vigil and Healing Service from 8–10pm. Highlights include a Rosary making workshop, a 250-person Rosary formation for filming. Keynote at 1 PM by Msgr Steve Rossetti, USA.Rosary Procession led by children follows the Stations of the Cross at 2:30pm, with Holy Mass at 3pm celebrated by Bishop Donal McKeown. Music by Dana. A youth conference runs 6–7:30 PM. Rosary Rally ends with a Croagh Patrick climb and Mass on Sunday at noon. Full schedule and bus info: www.allirelandrosaryrally.com

Derry Diocesan Trust Job Opportunity

Parish Catechist - Three Patrons Parish, Derry City.
Permanent post – 3-year Fixed Term Contract. 35 hours per week.
In addition to faith development work in the parish, the Catechist will establish and develop chaplaincy initiatives at the Derry Campus of University of Ulster. For more information and/or application pack, email recruitment@derrydiocese.org or tel 028 7126 2302. Completed applications must be returned to Personnel, Bishop's House, St Eugene's Cathedral, Francis Street, Derry, BT48 9AP or via email to recruitment@derrydiocese.org no later than **12pm Noon on Friday 30th May 2025**.
Derry Diocesan Trust is an Equal Opportunities Employer.

Offertory & Special Collections

Good Friday Holy Land Collection £1,170

19th & 20th April 2025
St Joseph's Church, Fincairn: £1,235 St Mary's Church, Altinure: £1,190
St Peter's & St Paul's Church, Foreglen: £805
26th & 27th April 2025
St Joseph's Church, Fincairn: £945 St Mary's Church, Altinure: £600
St Peter's & St Paul's Church, Foreglen: £265
3rd & 4th May 2025
St Joseph's Church, Fincairn: £915 St Mary's Church, Altinure: £435
10th & 11th May 2025
St Joseph's Church, Fincairn: £490 St Mary's Church, Altinure: £625
St Peter's & St Paul's Church, Foreglen: £530
17th & 18th May 2025
St Joseph's Church, Fincairn: £1,220 St Mary's Church, Altinure: £335

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.

Derry Diocesan Pilgrimage 2025 to Knock Shrine, led by Bishop McKeown, will take place on **Sunday 15th June**, commencing with Rosary at 2.00pm, followed by Anointing of the Sick at 2.30 and concluding with Mass and Eucharistic Procession at 3.00pm. Confessions available throughout the day. Bus transport avail from St Eugene's Cathedral. For further information on this, please contact Karen on 028 71262 894 or by email cathedral@derrydiocese.org In conjunction with the pilgrimage, St Eugene's Cathedral, Derry, is running a two-night pilgrimage to Knock from **15th -17th June**. Cost £280 per person sharing. For more information and full itinerary, contact Anne Marie on amhickey@derrydiocese.org, ring 028 71262894 or call into the Cathedral Parish Office.

Diocese of Derry Three-Day Pilgrimage to Lough Derg 2025 starts on **Friday 25th July and concludes on Sunday 27th July.** For those wishing to avail of transport, a bus will depart after 10:m Mass in St Eugene's Cathedral, Derry, on the Friday; it will travel via Lifford and Ballybofey. Cost: £95/€110 (including transport). Pre-booking is required. Please phone the Diocese Office on 0044 28 7126 2302 for a booking form or contact Tony Brennan on tony.brennan@derrydiocese.org. Alongside Knock Shrine and Croagh Patrick, Lough Derg is one of three esteemed traditional pilgrimage locations this Jubilee year, designated by the Irish Bishops' Conference.

Feast Days this Week
Monday 26th May: St Philip Neri 1515 - 1595**,** founded the congregation of the Oratory to foster good preaching and to promote holiness of priestly life.

Thursday 29th May: St Paul VI, born 1897, died 6th August 1978. Elected pope is 1963. A messenger of peace, he sought to open the Church to the modern world.

31st May: The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary Today's liturgy recalls the 'Blessed Virgin Mary carrying her Son within her' and visiting Elizabeth to offer charitable assistance and to proclaim the mercy of God the Saviour. Upon hearing Mary's greeting to Elizabeth, Elizabeth exclaims, beginning, "Blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb" (Luke 1:42), echoing and expanding upon the greeting given by the archangel Gabriel at the Annunciation (Luke 1:28).

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.

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, St. Mary's Church, Altinure and St. Peter's & St. Paul's Church, Foreglen are available online. Please note that the first three rows of seats are visible online in St. Joseph's Church, Fincairn and St. Peter's & St. Paul's Church, Foreglen, and the first six rows of seats in St. Mary's Church, Altinure.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Learmount Community Development Group: This incoming week in Park: **Monday 26th May: Closed for the Bank Holiday with the exception of:** Ladies Yoga: 7pm - 7.45pm; Men's Yoga: 8pm - 8.45pm; Art Class: 7.30pm - 9.30pm**; Tuesday 27th May :** Craft and Crochet Club: 10.30am - 12.30pm; Men's Hobby Workshop: 10.30am - 12.30pm; Advice NW (Citizen's Advice): 2pm - 4pm; 9pm; **Thursday 29th May :** Post Office Outreach Service: 9am - 12pm (Resource Centre); Painting For Pleasure Art Class: 10.30am - 12.30pm; Park 60+Luncheon; **Friday 30th May:** Learmount Walking Group: 10.30am; Learmount History Group: 7.30pm. **Saturday 31st May:** Kids Mini PAC Club: 10am - 11am; Kids PAC Club: 11.30am - 1pm; **Sunday 1st June 2025:** Dachshund Dog walk in Learmount Forest:1pm - Meet at Community Centre with refreshments in the Centre afterwards.
For further information or to book: Tel 02877781881 / DM us on Facebook or Instagram/ or email: admin@learmountgroup.org

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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 to Friday: 9.30am - 12.30pm.

Mass is Live on the Webcam at www.banagherparish.com
SVP Confidential Helpline: 075 9395 4973