

PARISH OF BANAGHER

Body and Blood of Christ – 22nd June 2025

Mass Times

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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 29th 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.

Fincairn Hall Car Wash Fundraiser we extend our sincere thanks to all who supported our recent car wash to raise funds to purchase chairs for Fincairn Hall. The total amount raised was £2671. Thank you for your generosity both on the day and in the days & weeks after. A special word of thanks goes to the Lynch family who made a substantial donation in memory of their late mother, grandmother and great-grandmother, May Lynch RIP. As a result, we can purchase additional chairs and make improvements around the hall and the porch area.

Rest in Peace We offer our sincere sympathies to the family and friends of Seamus McLaughlin (Sen) RIP, 11 Carnanbane Road, Aisling O'Neill RIP, 66 Main Street, Feeny, Bernadette Farrell RIP, 73 Altagarron Road, Foreglen and Brigid Ann Canning RIP, 9 Muldonagh Cottages, Foreglen, who were buried during the week.

Summer School on the Joyful Mysteries of the Rosary hosted on Zoom by Bayside Alpha for six Sundays, starting on **Sunday 22nd June** at 7:30pm. The series is a mixture of video and discussion. To join please email Paul at alphabayside@gmail.com Link to a trailer for the series is on: <https://youtu.be/3jnRu8B08uc?si=F3AfumLZLqFntxZJ>

Derry Diocesan Trust Job Opportunities

Parish Operations and Administration Manager, Leckpatrick, Camus and Lifford Parishes.

Permanent post - 35 hours per week. Reporting to the Parish Priest, the role entails the oversight and coordination of all business and administrative aspects of Parish life.

For application packs, tel 028 7126 2302 or email: recruitment@derrydiocese.org.

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 **12noon on Tuesday 24 June 2025**.

Youth Coordinator - 1 Year Fixed Term Contract (with possible extension) -

35 hours per week. Job Role The main focus of the post will be working with young people, schools and parishes to help them develop their knowledge and understanding of youth ministry in the context of the Catholic Church. For application packs, tel 028 7126 2302 or email: recruitment@derrydiocese.org. 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

12 Noon Monday 7 July 2025.

Derry Diocesan Trust is an equal opportunities employer. We welcome applications from all men and women and from members of all communities.

Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage 2025 Bishop McKeown will offer Mass for intending pilgrims in Our Lady of Lourdes, Steelstown Road Derry on **Monday 23rd June at 7 pm**. After Mass pilgrim packs including tickets will be distributed. Those who cannot attend should arrange for someone to collect their tickets.

Prayer for Vocations As we celebrate the Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ we pray for our diocesan seminarians and for the men who are currently discerning a vocation to the priesthood that, as priests, they will faithfully and reverently nourish the people of God in their preaching of the Word and in the Eucharist. We pray for Stephen Baxter who will be ordained Deacon in St Columb's Church, Waterside, Derry, on Friday 27 June. We wish him every blessing in his ministry and final preparations for priesthood.

Derry Diocesan Three-Day Pilgrimage to Lough Derg 2025 starts on **Friday 25th July** and concludes on **Sunday 27th July**. For those who wish to avail of bus transport, a bus will depart from St Eugene's Cathedral, Derry, after 10:00am Mass, and will travel via Strabane, Lifford, Ballybofey. Cost £95, including transport. Prebooking is required if you are availing of the bus transport. Contact Tony Brennan on tony.brennan@derrydiocese.org or phone the Diocese Office on 0044 28 7126 2302 for booking form. We look forward to welcoming you.

ACCORD Derry Marriage Preparation Workshops form September to November 2025 September 26th & 27th 2025; October 17th and 18th 2025 & November 7th and 8th 2025. All of the above courses are now online for booking at www.accordni.com Please note that these courses are in person and not virtual.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

14th & 15th June 2025

St Joseph's Church, Fincairn: £1000 St Mary's Church, Altinure: £380

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.

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, Foreglan 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, Foreglan, and the first six rows of seats in St. Mary's Church, Altinure.

Corpus Christi Sunday (Body and Blood of Christ)

The Feast of Corpus Christi (translation from Ecclesiastical Latin - 'Day of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Jesus Christ the Lord'), celebrates the real presence of Christ in the Eucharist. The feast is observed by the Roman Catholic Church, in addition to certain Western Orthodox, Lutheran, and Anglican churches.

The feast of Corpus Christi was proposed by Thomas Aquinas, Doctor of the Church, to create a feast focused solely on the Holy Eucharist, emphasising the joy of the Eucharist being the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Jesus Christ.

Feast Days this Week

Friday 27th June: The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus 'Understood in the light of the Scriptures, the term "Sacred Heart of Jesus" denotes the entire mystery of Christ: Son of God, uncreated wisdom; infinite charity... (Directory of Popular Piety and the Liturgy, 166). Devotion to the Sacred Heart, encouraged by mediaeval mystics and promoted by St Gertrude, St Margaret Mary Alacoque, St John Eudes and others, represents a devotion to Jesus in his human nature, referring to the heart as the seat of the emotions.

Saturday 28th June: The Immaculate Heart of Mary Devotion to the Immaculate Heart of Mary began in earnest during the seventeenth century in France, when St John Eudes popularised this devotion along with that to the Sacred Heart. St Luke's Gospel twice mentions that Mary 'kept all these things in her heart', pondering the word of God. Mary shows us how to listen to the words the Holy Spirit speaks to us in the depths of our hearts, and how to respond in faith.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Dungiven and Feeny local committee for Cancer Research UK will hold a "Walk of Hope" around Dungiven on **Saturday 21st June**, starting at 9.00 pm from the Church of Ireland carpark. Sponsor forms are still available from any committee member or simply join us on the night and make a donation. Fr Kelly and the Reverend Loney will start us off with a short prayer service and on return we will have a short Candle of Hope service, followed by light refreshments. Everyone most welcome to attend.

Banagher SVP Summer Outing to Ulster Folk Museum at Cultra is on Thursday **7th August**. Schedule for the day is as follows: Bus 9.15 am Park Resource Centre; 9.30 am Shop Main St Feeny; 9.45 am Fold Main Street Dungiven. Stop off 10.30 - Morning Tea/coffee stop en route. 12.30 Arrival at Cultra for self-guided tour of authentic buildings, take the opportunity to reconnect with traditions skills and customs from the past and enjoy craft demonstrations of the day. 2.30 pm Visit to City of Bangor for some Retail Therapy. 5.30 pm Evening Meal O'Neill Arms Toome. Please contact member of Conference Group or use Tel No 07593954973 before 04/08/25 to book your place and make your Menu choice. Contribution of £15pp will be appreciated. We look forward to your company on 7th August and hope for good weather on the day.

Learmount Community Development Group: This incoming week in Park: **Monday 23rd** Time For Me Ladies: Meet at 9.30am at Resource Centre for Summer Outing; Deed's Dementia Social Morning: 11am - 1pm; Ladies Yoga: 7pm - 7.45pm; Men's Yoga: 8pm - 8.45pm; Art Class: 7.30pm - 9.30pm; **Tuesday 24th:** Craft and Crochet Club: 10.30am - 12.30pm; Men's Hobby Workshop: 10.30am - 12.30pm; Advice North West (Citizen's Advice): 2pm - 4pm; **Thursday 26th:** Post Office Outreach Service: 9am - 12pm (Resource Centre); Painting For Pleasure Art Class: 10.30am - 12.30pm; Park 60+Luncheon Club; **Friday 27th:** Learmount Walking Group: meet at Community Centre at 10.30am; **Saturday 28th:** Mini PAC (Toddlers Arts & Craft Club): 10am - 11am; PAC Club: 11.30am - 1pm. For info or to book contact Karen or Min: Tel 02877781881 / DM us on FB or Instagram/ or email: admin@learmountgroup.org

St Mary's GAC Drive-in Bingo Sunday 22nd June - £30.00 per line, £80.00 per house, last house £500.00, Fly Over Sheet £30.00 line £100.00 house, plus raffle draw.

PARISH CLERGY

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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 to Friday: 9.30am - 12.30pm.

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