

PARISH OF BANAGHER

The Commemoration of the Faithful Departed – 2nd November 2025

Mass Times

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Monday: St. Joseph's Church, Fincairn: 9.30am
 *Monday: St. Peter's & St. Paul's Church, Foreglen: 11.00am
 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 9th November 2025

St. Joseph's Church, Fincairn: 7.00pm Vigil
 St. Mary's Church, Altinure: 10.30am
 St. Peter's & St. Paul's Church, Foreglen: 12.00pm 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.

Rest in Peace We offer our sincere sympathies to the family and friends of Valerie Feeney, RIP, 211 Altinure Road, Park, who was buried recently.

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 **Tuesday 4th 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).

A Month's Mind Mass will be celebrated for Celine O'Connor, RIP, in St. Peter's & St. Paul's Church, Foreglen on Sunday 9th November at 12.00pm Noon.

Prayer for Vocations On this Holy Souls' Day we remember the deceased priests who served the people of this diocese in the past. We pray for the priests who serve our parishes today, and for the men who will have the pastoral care of our people in the years to come, our current seminarians and those discerning their vocation at this time.

November	St Joseph's Church, Fincairn		St Mary's Church, Altinure
	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, Hugh Francis O'Neill		Christine McGaughey Celine McGaughey
Collectors	Marty McGrellis Vincent McCloskey	Anthony O'Neill Patrick McGrellis	Stephen Gormley, Tony Gormley Shaun & Shane McElhinney

Dungiven Parish Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2026 Pilgrimage Details: Departing from Belfast International on Monday 10th August for 6 nights*. We will be in Lourdes for the Feast of The Assumption (*may be reduced to 5 nights - this will be confirmed at a later date). Spiritual director Fr. Gerard Sweeney. Cost per person based on twin/double sharing, including full board, is £975. Single supplement is £39 per night. Insurance is optional and costs an extra £45. There are only a limited number of seats remaining. Contact the Dungiven parish office, Tel: 028 7774 0702.

Termonbacca Carmelite Retreat Centre: Silent Retreat Fr Stephen Quinn will lead a silent retreat for men and women in Termonbacca Carmelite Retreat Centre, Derry, from Friday 5th - Sunday 7th December. This is a great opportunity to take some time this Advent, to grow in contemplative prayer and friendship with Christ. The weekend costs £90. Further info/booking call 028 7126 2512 or email termonbaccaderry@ocd.ie

Feast Days

Sunday 2nd November: All Souls 'Indeed, the Church in its pilgrim members, from the earliest days of the Christian religion, has honoured the memory of the dead; and "because it is a holy and wholesome thought to pray for the dead that they may be loosed from their sins" (2 Macc 12:46) she offers her suffrages for them. These consist primarily in the celebration of the holy sacrifice of the Eucharist, and in other pious exercises, such as prayers for the dead, alms deeds, works of mercy and the application of indulgences to the souls of the faithful departed' (Directory of Popular Piety, 251)

Tuesday 4th November: St Charles Borromeo, 1538-84, nephew of Pope Pius IV, Cardinal Archbishop of Milan at the age of twenty-one, worked for reform in his diocese, giving much of his property to the poor. He set up the Confraternity of Christian Doctrine to teach children the faith: it was the beginning and inspiration of the Sunday School movement. When famine struck the province, he fed 3,000 people at his own expense for three months. When plague came, he prepared himself for death, made his will, and went to the hospital where the worst cases were. After enormous amounts of nagging, preaching and persuasion the secular clergy at length followed his example. Charles drafted the Catechism of the Council of Trent. Patron saint of catechists and seminarians.

Wednesday 5th November: Bl Frances d'Amboise (1427-1485) was born in 1427, in Thouars, France. She was the wife of Peter II, Duke of Brittany. After his death, and with the direction of Blessed John Soreth, the Carmelite Prior General at the time, she took the habit of the Carmelite Order in the monastery she had previously founded in Bondon. Afterwards she transferred to another foundation in Nantes, also erected by her, where she held the office of prioress and nourished the sisters with wise teaching. She is considered the foundress of the Carmelite nuns in France. She died in 1485, and with her last words she encouraged her sisters: 'In everything, do that which will make God loved the more!'

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

25th & 26th October 2025

St. Joseph's Church, Fincairn: £1,000 St. Mary's Church, Altinure: £640
St. Peter's & St. Paul's Church, Foreglen: £745

Please consider online contributions and Gift Aid. Online Contributions to:
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Thank you for your continued generosity.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Banagher SVP look forward to welcoming all Seniors of the Community to their **Christmas Party** at the Roe Valley Resort on Sunday 7th December from 2.00 – 5.00pm. Transport will be provided from Park Resource Centre at 1.00pm, Main St., Feeny at 1.15pm and Main St., Dungiven and Bradagh Fold at 1.30pm. Contribution £15. To make your reservation, please contact any member of the Conference group or Text/Phone 075 9395 4973. Please share this information with anyone you think might like to attend. Everyone welcome ...the more the merrier! It's a great opportunity to socialise with friends. Thank you to everyone for supporting Banagher SVP throughout the past year.

St. Mary's GAC Lotto Numbers for 28th October were 1, 5, 8 & 9. Winning £20 was Margaret Forrester, Stephanie Cartin, Fergus McDermott, Bridget Kealey & Fiontan McGilligan. Next week's jackpot is £5,800.

Bereaved by Suicide – Support Meeting If you have been affected by the loss of a loved one to suicide, you don't have to carry the weight alone. A monthly Bereaved by Suicide Support Meeting is held on the first Monday of each month – this month on Monday 3rd November at 7.30pm at the Roe Valley Therapy Centre. These sessions are delivered by professionals from Wellness and Positive Minds, with lived experience, offering both compassionate understanding and expert guidance in a safe, confidential space.

Learmount Community Development Group: Week commencing **Monday 3rd November:** Time For Me Ladies: 10.30am - 12.30pm; Deed's Dementia Social Group: 11am - 1pm; Ladies' Yoga: 7pm-8pm (Park Hall); Men's Yoga: 8pm-8.45pm; Art Class with Sheila; 7.30pm - 9.30pm; **Tuesday 4th:** Men's Hobby Work Shed: 10.30 - 12.30pm; Craft & Crochet Club: 10.30am - 12.30pm; Advice NW: 2pm - 4pm; **Wednesday 5th:** Stonemason's Cottage Stride workshop: 2pm - 5pm (Resource Centre); **Thursday 6th:** Painting For Pleasure: 10.30am-12.30pm; Post Office Outreach service: 9am - 12pm; Park 60+ Group: 12pm - 2pm; Glass Lantern Painting Workshop: 7.30pm - 9.30pm; **Friday 7th:** Learmount Walking Group: Meet at 10.30am at the Community; **Saturday 8th:** Adults Glass jewellery making workshop; 10am - 12pm; Children's Glass Christmas decorations workshop; 1pm - 3pm. To book any of our classes/trips/workshops or for further information, contact Karen or Min on 028 7778 1881 / DM / email: admin@learmountgroup.org.

Blue Lotus Yoga – Chair Yoga at Glor Hall, Dungiven. Mondays at 10am. Small, friendly group sessions. November offer – 5-week block - £30 or £7.50 pay-as-you-go. Contact Lorren on 079 1438 5898 to book.

Glenshane House, Dungiven - L2 Autism course starts on Monday 3rd November from 6-9 pm x 4 weeks. Registration fee £30 + cert £18. A special offer of £20 for 16-18 year olds. To register Tel 028 7774 2494.

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.

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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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: 075 9395 4973