

Parish of the Three Patrons

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year C – 14th August 2022

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A new creation

We continue to follow Jesus on the road from Galilee to Jerusalem where, he knows, he will be handed over to his persecutors and be put to death on the cross. Jesus pauses along the way. The deepest stirrings of the spirit can surface when we rest. In today's Gospel, Jesus speaks of the conflict of emotions within his soul. Side-by-side within him he experiences the burning desire to go forward and the distressing prospect of the sea of suffering into which he must plunge. Luke writes for a community which will know that same inner conflict.



The Gospel contains two sayings about the nature of Jesus' mission. His coming marks a time for making decisions. His followers will have to make crucial choices; they will have to choose to be for him or against him. Choosing him may divide them from family members. In the early Church, conversion was likely to cause a family row. The convert was rejected by the family and had therefore to make a choice between Christ and the family.

Christians should not be surprised if the Gospel divides people. Jesus' sense of justice brought him into conflict with those who exploited the weak and the poor. His integrity brought him into conflict with the narrow-minded and the bigoted. The brighter the light, the darker the shadow it casts.

Jesus says he came to kindle a fire upon the earth. Fire burns up what is of no use and refines what is impure.

***Lord we ask for a deeper sense of peace within our own lives,
with each other and with you.***

Monday 15th August is the Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

It is a holy day of obligation. Mass Times for the Holy Day

St Patrick's, Pennyburn: Monday: 7.30 am, 10.00 am & 6.00 pm

St Brigid's, Carnhill: Monday: 9.00 am & 7.30 pm

St Joseph's, Galliagh: Sunday: Vigil Youth Mass: 6.30 pm & Monday: 11.00 am

The annual collection for parish grounds maintenance will be taken up at these Masses.

On the Assumption of Mary into Heaven ` The feast of the Assumption of Mary is a call to each of us, especially those who are afflicted by doubt and sadness, and live with their gaze turned down, unable to raise their glance. Let us look up. Heaven is open. It does not inculcate fear. It is no longer distant because on the threshold of Heaven, a mother, our mother, is awaiting us. She loves us, she smiles at us and she thoughtfully assists us. Like every mother she wants the best for her children and she says to us: 'You are precious in God's eyes; you were not made for the small satisfactions of the world, but rather for the great joy of heaven'. Yes, because God is joy. Let us allow Our Lady to take us by the hand. Each time that we hold the Rosary in our hands and pray to her, we are taking a step forward, towards the great destination of life.'



Pope Francis, Feast of the Assumption 2019

We welcome people to the public celebration of the Eucharist in the three churches of our parish. For those who prefer to do so, we invite you to join us via webcam in Three Patrons' Parish by watching our live streaming which can be viewed online at churchservices.tv/pennyburn, churchservices.tv/carnhill, churchservices.tv/galliagh or the parish website at www.threepatrons.org/webcam.

ST PATRICK'S CHURCH, PENNYBURN

Sunday 6.00 pm: (Sat) Vigil; 10.00 am & 12.00 noon: Mass

Monday 7.30 am: Mass, 10.00 am: Mass followed by the Rosary; 6.00 pm: Mass

Tuesday - Friday 7.30 am: Mass, 10.00 am: Mass followed by the Rosary

Saturday 10.00 am Mass followed by the Rosary

ST BRIGID'S CHURCH, CARNHILL

Sunday 6.00 pm: (Sat) Vigil; 10.30 am & 12.30 pm: Mass

Monday 9.00 am: Mass followed by Rosary; 7.30 pm: Mass

Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday 9.00 am: Mass followed by Rosary

First Saturday of the month 9.00 am: Mass followed by Rosary



ST JOSEPH'S CHURCH, GALLIAGH

Sunday 7.00 pm: (Sat) Vigil; 9.00 am & 11.00 am: Mass; 6.30 pm: Youth Mass

Monday 10.30 am: Rosary; 11.00 am: Mass

Tuesday - Friday 10.30 am: Rosary; 11.00 am: Mass

Thursday 7 pm: Holy Hour for the Unborn & Expectant Mothers (in Our Lady's Chapel)

Face Coverings We encourage you to wear a face covering at all services of worship. Please continue to observe social distancing within our churches and to use the hand sanitiser on entering and leaving the churches. Thank you.

It is very important at this time that we pray asking God for protection. Perhaps individuals or families could commit to praying the Rosary each day for relief of this crisis.

A Prayer in the Time of the Coronavirus by Fr Brian Grogan S.J.

Dear God, in 1879 the Apparition at Knock gave hope and courage to the people of Ireland in difficult times. We ask that Our Lady may now protect your beloved people from the coronavirus.

May its victims be strengthened by the spiritual support of the Christian community and restored soon to full health.

We also pray for the medical personnel who deal with the virus.

This we ask in confidence through Christ Our Lord. Amen.

Our Lady of Knock, pray for us. St Joseph, pray for us. St John the Evangelist, pray for us.

Irish Mass The next Irish Mass will be celebrated next Sunday, 21st August at 12.30 pm in St Joseph's Church, Galliagh. Everyone welcome.

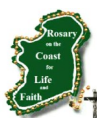
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament takes place in Our Lady's Chapel, St Joseph's Church, every Monday, beginning after 11 am Mass and continuing right through until 7 pm on Monday (for this week only). All welcome.



Youth 2000 Holy Hour takes place this Monday, 15th August from 6 - 7 pm in Our Lady's Chapel at St Joseph's Church, Galliagh. All welcome.

The Sister Clare Rosary continues every Monday evening at 8.30 pm in St Joseph's Room at the Carmelite Retreat Centre, Termonbacca. Everyone welcome.

Rosary on the Coast takes place on Sunday 21st August at 3.00 pm at Benone Strand for world peace and the protection of unborn babies. Everyone is welcome. Rosary on the Coast takes place on the third Sunday of every month.



Saints of the Coming Week

Monday: The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Tuesday: St Stephen of Hungary

Wednesday: Our Lady of Knock

Friday: St John Eudes, priest

Saturday: St Bernard, abbot and doctor of the Church




The Iosas Centre, Derryvane, Muff invites you to take a walk in their beautiful Celtic Prayer Garden.

Concern Worldwide Bookshop in Ferryquay Street is looking for volunteers. If you have some spare time and have a keen interest in books, please get in touch. To find out more about this rewarding work, call to the shop for a volunteer application form, or contact enquiries.info@concern.net.

One Day Pilgrimage to Lough Derg Pioneer Association and Friends are organising a bus from Derry to Lough Derg for a One Day Pilgrimage on Saturday 10th September 2022. Save the date! No charge for the bus but the charge for Lough Derg facilities will be £40 per person. If interested in going, please ring Andrew on 71352285.

A Ladies' Prayer Group will meet every Tuesday evening at 7.30 pm in Termonbacca for Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, prayer, tea and biscuits. You are more than welcome to come and join them.



BISHOP DALY 
A MAN FOR ALL SEASONS

*"For I was sick and you looked after me,
I was in prison and you came to visit me."*

OPENING TIMES
MONDAY 8TH AUGUST 00.30PM-4.00PM
TUESDAY 9TH AUGUST 00.30PM-4.00PM
WEDNESDAY 10TH AUGUST 00.30PM-4.00PM
THURSDAY 11TH AUGUST 00.30PM-4.00PM
FRIDAY 12TH AUGUST 00.30PM-4.00PM
SATURDAY 13TH AUGUST 00.30PM-4.00PM
SUNDAY 14TH AUGUST 00.30PM-3.00PM

This exhibition has been compiled to celebrate the life, influence, work and legacy of Bishop Edward Daly. The title of the exhibition, *A Man For All Seasons*, was chosen to pay tribute to the wide and varied contribution he made to peace and reconciliation in Ireland, to Derry and its Diocese, to the search for justice and to healing the differences that divide Northern Ireland.

He lived out the words of Christ in his work.

Location: St Eugene's Cathedral Hall
Infirmary Road, Derry/Londonderry, BT48 7PD

steugenescathedral.com

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Summer Fun Day

The Carmelite Retreat Centre, Termonbacca will be holding a summer fun day for young people aged 10–14 years on Thursday 25th August from 12 noon - 4 pm. All are welcome to come along and join in the fun. Visit Termonbacca facebook page to sign up.

Please note: There will be no parish bulletin for the next two weeks.

ANAM ÓG
YOU ARE INVITED TO JOIN
US FOR A
**Summer
FUN DAY**
Join us for a day of fun and activities
for those aged 10-14 years old

FRIDAY 12-4PM | AUGUST 25 | TERMONBACCA DERRY

For more info or booking Contact Aoife
termonbaccaderry@gmail.com or call
02871 262512

Readings for Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Monday 15th August

First Reading: Apocalypse 11:19,12:1-6,10

A great sign appeared in heaven: a woman adorned with the sun

Psalm: 44(45):10-12,16

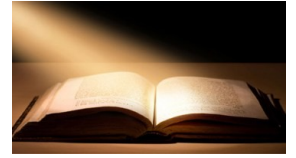
On your right stands the queen, in garments of gold.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:20-26

Christ will be brought to life as the first-fruits and then those who belong to him

Gospel: Luke 1:39-56

The Almighty has done great things for me



Readings for Sunday 21st August 2022, Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Isaiah 66:18-21

They will bring all your brothers from all the nations

Psalm: 116(117)

Go out to the whole world; proclaim the Good News.

Second Reading: Hebrews 12:5-7,11-13

The Lord trains the one he loves

Gospel: Luke 13:22-30

The last shall be first and the first last

A Holy Hour for the Unborn and Expectant Mothers will take place on Thursdays at 7.00 pm in Our Lady's Chapel, St Joseph's Church, Galliagh. Everyone welcome.



Derry Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock

takes place on **Saturday 24th September 2022** led by Bishop Donal McKeown. Stations of the Cross at 2.00 pm followed by Mass at 3.00 pm, with Sacrament of the Sick. Buses will travel from a variety of pick up points. For further information please contact Fr Patrick Lagan at St Eugene's Cathedral on 028 7126 2894 or email the parish office at cathedral@derrydiocese.org.

Lough Derg We look forward to welcoming all who come our way to Station Island this summer. You can view our list of dates here and on our website. Blessings.

Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine



Sunday 2nd October-Monday 3rd October

**Cost: £125 per person sharing.
Single room supplement: £75**

Package Includes Bus, Bed, Breakfast and Evening Meal, Knock museum, full pilgrimage itinerary plus a goodie bag. For more information contact LiveBy Faith Pilgrimages on Facebook or call 07508897429

Lough Derg 2022
PILGRIMAGE SEASON RE-OPENS SUNDAY 1st MAY 2022



ONE DAY RETREATS
May, August & September

One Day Retreats are scheduled to take place on
MAY - 1st, 2nd, 7th, 10th, 15th, 17th, 22nd, 24th, 29th and 30th
AUGUST - 20th, 22nd, 23rd, 27th, 28th and 29th
SEPTEMBER - 3rd, 7th, 10th, 13th, 17th, 18th, 24th and 25th

Admission €45 - Concessions for groups. Booking essential.

THREE DAY PILGRIMAGE
June, July & August

The Three Day Pilgrimages will commence on **Wednesday 1st June** and continue until **15th August 2022**
(Saturday 13th August 2022 is the last day for pilgrims to begin the Three Day Pilgrimage)

Pilgrimage, in the words of Pope Francis, is "the most eloquent expression of the faith of God's people."

Admission €80 - Concessions available for students, seniors & groups. Booking advised.

QUIET DAYS
May - Monday 9th | September - Friday 9th
Admission €35. Booking essential.

LOUGH DERG PILGRIM PATH
Pray the Pilgrim Path with us:
Wed 4th May, Sat 21st May
Wed 31st August, Mon 12th September
10:30am - 4:30pm. Admission €25. Booking essential.

Pilgrim Path Day
Easter Monday 18th April
Join the Prior and Team for a guided walk on the lakeshore Lough Derg Pilgrim Path, to celebrate Pilgrim Paths Week. Donations welcome. Registration essential.

www.loughderg.org | info@loughderg.org | 00353 (0) 71 986 1518



AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION



"My Jesus, I believe that you desire to make your home within me and that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament of the altar. I love you above all things, and I desire to receive you in my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally, come spiritually into my heart. I embrace your love as if you were already there, and I unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen."



Anniversaries, Birthday and Wedding Anniversaries Tommy Mullaney, Andy Barr, Susan Meehan, Kathleen Roberts, Sinead Louise McGuigan, Vincent Lee, Martin Coll, Gerard Bowen, Ann Coyle, Jimmy Quigley, Margaret Deeney, Bishop Edward Daly, Mgr Ignatius McQuillan, Annie Barnfield, Willie McCauley. May they rest in peace.

Anniversary Masses and Prayers If you wish to have an anniversary Mass offered or a Mass or prayers offered for any intention, please email the parish offices at stpatricks@threepatrons.org or stbrigids@threepatrons.org or phone the parochial houses at St Patrick's (0281 71262360) or St Brigid's (028 71351261).

Supporting Your Parish Thank you for your ongoing generosity to the offertory collection through envelope, standing order, online payments and the 'donate' button on our parish website. Your support is greatly appreciated. Boxes are available in our three churches to return your parish envelopes. If you require information about any of the above methods of supporting Three Patrons Parish, please contact the parish office - stpatricks@threepatrons.org or 028 71262360. The bank account details for the parish are sort code: 90 49 74; account number: 51442271.



RightToLife

Right to Life, UK ask that you could remember their intentions in your prayers during the month of August. **August 14th:** We pray for all women

going through unexpected pregnancies, that they would experience peace and support in this circumstance, and recognise the many blessings that motherhood brings. Lord hear us".

The next Mass in memory of Sister Clare will be celebrated today, Sunday at 7 pm in Termonbacca. All welcome to come along. If you have any prayer intentions you would like included in the Mass let us know by sending a private message or tel 71262512.



Prayer for Peace

Loving God, We pray for the people of Ukraine and all parts of the world where there is conflict and strife, for all those suffering or afraid, that you will be close to them and protect them.

We pray for world leaders, for compassion, strength and wisdom to guide their choices.

We pray for the world that in this moment of crisis, we may reach out in solidarity to our brothers and sisters in need.

May we walk in your ways so that peace and justice become a reality for the people of Ukraine and for all the world. Amen.



Three Patrons Parish Monthly Draw

The fifth monthly draw will take place on Friday 26th August 2022.

For tickets, please contact the parish office - tel 71262360.

Thank you for your support.



The poster features three photographs of parish buildings at the top. Below them is the parish logo, a circular emblem with a cross and the text 'THREE PATRONS PARISH' and 'St. Joseph's, St. Patrick's & St. Brigid's'. The main title 'Monthly Prize Draw' is in a large, blue, serif font. A central yellow box with a red border contains the prize details. Below this box, there are bullet points for terms and conditions, and a list of draw dates. At the bottom, a dark blue banner contains the text 'Tickets available at St. Patrick's, Pennyburn, St. Brigid's, Carnhill and St. Joseph's, Galliagh'.

Parish of the Three Patrons

St. Joseph's
St. Patrick's
St. Brigid's

Monthly Prize Draw

Monthly Prizes

Month 1 – Month 4
there will be 10 cash prizes:
* £1,000 * £750 * £500 *
* & 7 of £250 each *

Month 5
there will be 10 cash prizes:
* £4,000 * £3,000 * £2,000 *
* & 7 of £1,000 each *

- Various Promoters' prizes
- Limited number of tickets

Full subscription each month is £10 (10 chances)
Minimum subscription each month is £1 (1 chance)
Full subscription for 5 months is £50 (50 chances) * Each chance is £1.

Dates on which each month's draw will take place:
Friday 29th April 2022 • Friday 27th May 2022 • Friday 24th June 2022
Friday 29th July 2022 • Friday 26th August 2022

Promoter: Fr Michael McCaughey, c/o Parochial House, St Patrick's Church, Pennington, Derry, BT49 7QL. Registered with Derry City & Strabane District Council

Tickets available at St. Patrick's, Pennyburn,
St. Brigid's, Carnhill and St. Joseph's, Galliagh

Be sure and join us again for the draw in August 2022

Accord Catholic Marriage Care Service seeking Marriage Preparation Programme Facilitators Accord Catholic Marriage Care Service is currently recruiting volunteers to train as marriage preparation programme facilitators.

Accord is seeking registration of interest from those who have a positive attitude towards marriage in the Catholic Church and the enthusiasm to be part of a team supporting couples who are preparing for the Sacrament of Marriage.

Accord Catholic Marriage Care Service has 54 centres in dioceses across the island.

Successful applicants will receive professional training and will be part of a team delivering marriage preparation programmes locally in accordance with best practice.

Contact Deirdre 07980898399 or by email to info@accordni.com

The closing date for receipt of registration of interest forms to be included in Selections for this year is Wednesday 31st August 2022. Registration of Interest form and additional information about becoming a facilitator is available on www.accordni.com

Benburb Priory will host a day conference on **The Meaning Crisis, Modernity, and the Christian Way: A Benburb Priory Conference**, (rise in suicides, depression, and more) and the Christian way, today, on **Friday 2nd September**. The conference will feature leading Christian thinkers, including Paul Kingsnorth, Paul Vander Klay, and Fr Calvin Robinson. Tickets are available at Benburbpriory.com now. **Cost:** £34.99. All are welcome.

NW Regional College August Results Days Have you applied for a course with us or maybe you're still thinking about it? You are invited to attend our on-campus succeed dates to ensure you get on course. 18th & 19th August for A Level and BTECs, 25th & 26th August for GCSEs. Register today to book your spot - www.nwrc.ac.uk/results

AA Can't Stop Drinking? Call Alcoholics Anonymous 90351222.

Gamblers Anonymous Is gambling affecting your life? Perhaps we can help. Tel 71351329.

Lifeline If you are in distress or despair call Lifeline free on 0808 808 8000 and speak with a crisis counsellor. Lifeline is available 24/7 and is free to call from all landlines and mobiles. You are not alone.

Marriages Three months' notice must be given to the parish before the date of marriage.

Baptisms Please contact the Parish office by telephone. At least one Godparent must be Catholic.

Safeguarding If you have any concerns with regard to safeguarding children or adults in need of protection within the Church please contact Maire Gormley, Diocesan Liaison Person, email: marie.gormley@derrydiocese.org, telephone: 07596 500 793 or PSNI (Police Service of Northern Ireland) 101 or Social Services: Gateway Services, Western HSC Trust, 71314090 and ask for the Duty Social Worker.

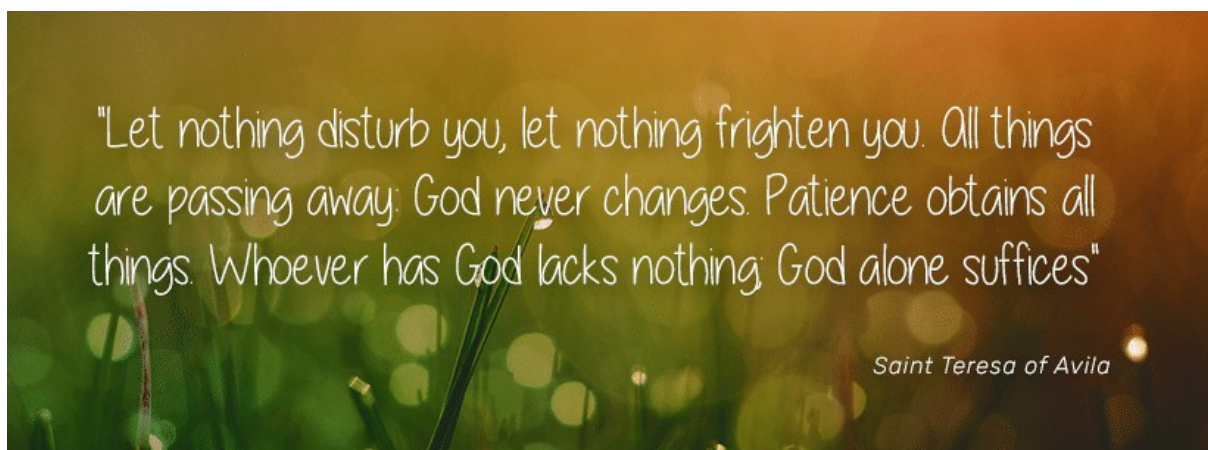
C.A.L.M.S. (Community Action for Locally Managing Stress) Mental Health Support Line is offering the following: providing support with anxiety, panic, insomnia, low mood, depression and stress; a listening ear; and relaxation/breathing techniques. The service is available via telephone or zoom free of charge. Tel 079 0704 0568 or 028 71268698 Monday to Friday 10.00 am to 5.00 pm or leave a message out of hours. Visit www.calmsstresscentre.org.

Northern Ireland Blood Transfusion Service will collect donations of blood on **Tuesday 16th August** from 12.30 pm - 4 pm and 5 pm - 7.30 pm at Kilfennan Presbyterian Church, Rosstown Rd, BT47 6FP. To maintain social distance requirements and improve waiting times, all donation sessions are by appointment only. To make an appointment call 08085 534653. If lines are closed, please call back. New donors needed.



Shantallow Community Centre & Shantallow Youth Centre Family Fun Day takes place on Monday 15th August from 1 pm - 3.30 pm. Bouncy castles, BBQ, face painting, disco, etc.

18-22? Looking For a Gap Year? Castlerigg Manor is a Catholic youth retreat centre located in Keswick in the English Lake District. Our work is mostly done by a team of young Catholics who live together as part of a community. We are still looking for people to start the coming year in mid August, so if you're at a loose end and want an amazing, fruitful year, maybe this is for you? It's a voluntary year but food, accommodation and pocket money are provided. To find out more, contact jack@castleriggmanor.co.uk or google Castlerigg Manor.

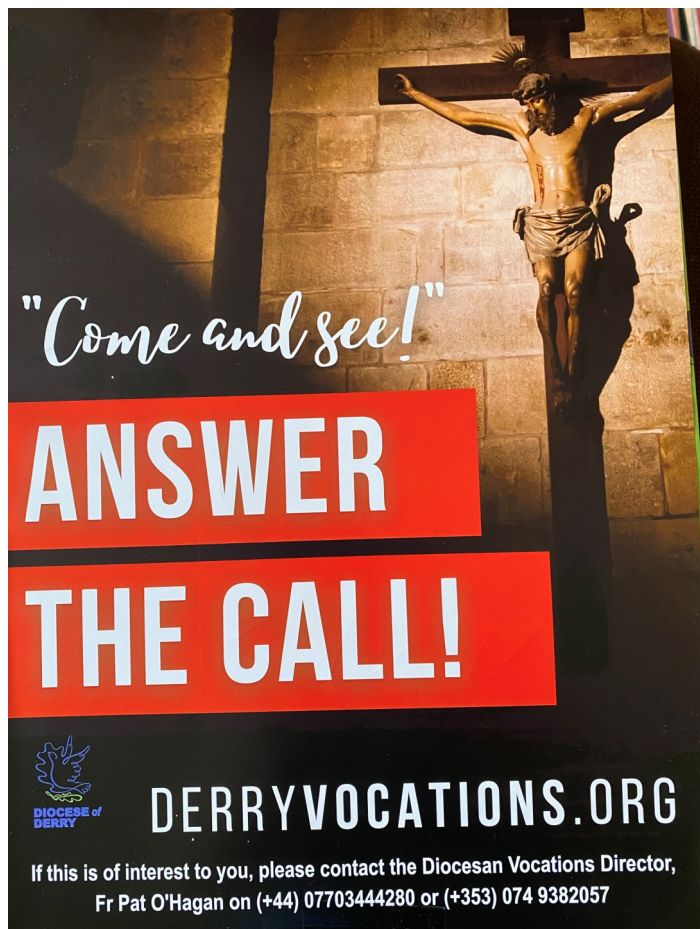


Saint Teresa of Avila

Year of Prayer for Vocations 14th August: That more men and women will have the faith to hear God's call in their lives and respond with hope in His promise and love for the Saviour by following Him as priests, deacons and in the consecrated life, we pray to the Lord.

DIOCESE OF DERRY
Year of Prayer
for Vocations

17 March 2022 - 17 March 2023



"Come and see!"

**ANSWER
THE CALL!**

DERRYVOCATIONS.ORG

DIOCESE of DERRY

If this is of interest to you, please contact the Diocesan Vocations Director,
Fr Pat O'Hagan on (+44) 07703444280 or (+353) 074 9382057

Vocations Retreat

Anyone interested in studying for the diocesan priesthood is invited to attend a weekend "Come & See" retreat from 26th - 28th August. Please contact the Diocesan Vocations Director, Fr Pat O'Hagan, PP, Moville, at pgoh2111@gmail.com for more information.

Discerning What is God's Will for your Life?

To discern a vocation is to discover the person God wants you to be. The first step is to take seriously that God has called you through being baptised. He called you to baptism so that you could grow in love and in holiness of life, not only for your own sake but for the sake of others to whom you are sent. There comes a moment in a life of faith when a person takes seriously their personal call to holiness.

"It is to the glory of my Father that you should bear much fruit and then you will be my disciples." Are you being called to love and serve the Lord and His people as a priest, sister or brother? If you are considering such a vocation, speak to Fr Pat O'Hagan, the Diocesan Vocations Director, Parochial House, Moville, Co Donegal. Email: pgoh2111@gmail.com. Tel: +353 749382057 or +44 77 03444280 or email the National Vocations Office: info@vocations.ie

Diocesan Prayer for Vocations

God our Father,
You call us by name, and ask us to follow you.
Help us to grow in the love and service of your Church today.
Grant us the courage to embrace Christ's mission of love and justice.
Bless the Church here in the diocese of Derry
By raising up generous and dedicated leaders from among our families and friends,
Who will serve your people as priests, sisters, brothers, deacons and lay ministers.
Bless those who have already answered your call
And who are now preparing for service in your Church.
Inspire us to know you better,
And open our hearts and minds to the guidance of your Holy Spirit.
We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.



The Oratory at Columba House, 11 Queen St is open from 10.30 am - 4 pm weekdays. You are welcome to come in and spend time in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament.



World Youth Day Pilgrimage - LISBON 2023 The Diocese of Derry is inviting any young person who is over 18 or will be 18 by July 2023 to join us on Pilgrimage to Lisbon for World Youth Day. World Youth Day (WYD) is the gathering of young people from all over the world with the Pope. It is also a pilgrimage, a celebration of youth, an expression of the universal Church and an intense moment of evangelization for the youth world. This pilgrimage will take place in August 2023.

For now, we are taking expression of interest until we have more information on dates, times and prices. We have limited space so signing up is essential. You can register your interest on the derrydiocese.org website or on the @derryyouth Facebook page

If you have any questions regarding this pilgrimage, please email Lizzie Rea, Youth Coordinator at: lizzie.rea@derrydiocese.org

Carmelite / Teresian Pilgrimage to Lourdes will take place from 1st September 2022 for five days. Spiritual directors: Fr Pat Beecher (Loughrea) and Fr Stephen Quinn (Derry). Cost: €729 (including complimentary group travel insurance). Direct return flights from Dublin to Lourdes. Full board and fully escorted pilgrimage. For information please contact Brian at 71262512 or ocdderry@hotmail.co.uk

Prayer by Telephone The Sisters of Mercy, Bethany House of Prayer, Dundalk, welcome any person who may wish to request prayer. All requests are confidential. Tel 0035342 9331602 between 9 am and 9 pm every day. One of the Sisters will be happy to listen and pray with you.

A Prayer by Telephone

The Sisters of Mercy
"BETHANY"
34 Point Road, Dundalk
Welcome any person who may wish to request prayer, especially during these difficult times

ALL REQUESTS ARE CONFIDENTIAL

Tel: **00353 42 933 1602**

9am - 9pm Daily
One of the sisters will be happy to
Listen and Pray
with you



Studio2 Our creative youth drop-in runs every Friday. New member always welcome 11+. Come and explore your creative side at Studio2. Register at <https://www.studio2derry.com/> registration

The Summer Reading Challenge is now open for business! Pop in to your local library to pick up a starter kit, become a Gadgeteer and get reading! The challenge is open to everyone aged 4 to 11, stay tuned for information on what fun activities are being held in your local branch over the summer. Find out more at <https://bit.ly/LNISRC2022>



Foyle Hospice Charity Cycle Challenge

We are delighted that the Charity Cycle is back this year!
SAVE THE DATE: Saturday 10th & Sunday 11th September.

For more information contact:

James O'Hara & Sons 028 777 68141.

Community fundraising is at the heart of Foyle Hospice and with your help we can provide care and support to patients and their families.

Knock Novena: A Journey in Hope We are delighted to share the programme for the National Novena with details of guest speakers who will join us for daily ceremonies throughout our 9-day Novena to Our Lady of Knock.

Our theme for this year is 'A Journey in Hope', as we look toward the Synod and reflect on the transformative power of hope and resilience in times of adversity.

This theme of hope leads us towards thinking and reflecting more deeply on the Synod and the undamental questions that remain at the heart of our continual discourse. We look to the future with the hope of renewal, for God's guidance and pray that this Novena will offer you, our pilgrims and friends the chance for thought-provoking reflection and discussion. Visit www.knockshrine.ie/program-for-the-national-novena-to-our-lady-of-knock-2022/



NATIONAL PUBLIC NOVENA in honour of Our Lady of Knock takes place from 14th - 21st August each year. Those who are unable to attend can take part by reciting the following Novena prayer each day.

*Give praise to the Father, Almighty, to His Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.
To the Spirit who lives in our hearts, both now and for ever, Amen.*

Our Lady of Knock, Queen of Ireland, you gave hope to your people in a time of distress, and comforted them in sorrow. You have inspired countless pilgrims to pray with confidence to your divine Son, remembering His promise, 'Ask and you shall receive, seek and you shall find.'

Help me to remember that we are all pilgrims on the road to heaven. Fill me with love and concern for my brothers and sisters in Christ, especially those who live with me. Comfort me when I am sick, lonely or depressed. Teach me how to take part ever more reverently in the Holy Mass. Give me a greater love of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. Pray for me now, and at the hour of my death, Amen.

*Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world; grant us peace.*

*St Joseph, chosen by God to be the husband of Mary,
The protector of the Holy Family, the Guardian of the Church,
Protect all families in their work and recreation,
And guard us on our journey through life (Repeat Lamb of God).*

*St John, Beloved Disciple of the Lord. Faithful priest, teacher of the Word of God,
Help us to hunger for the Word, to be loyal to the Mass and to love one another.
(Repeat Lamb of God).*

*Our Lady of Knock, pray for us. Refuge of Sinners, pray for us.. Queen assumed into heaven,
pray for us, Our Lady, Mother of the Church, pray for us.
(Here mention your own special intention).*

With the angels and saints let us pray: Give praise to the Father Almighty, to His Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. To the Spirit who lives in our hearts, both now and forever, Amen.

The Rosary or Mass and Holy Communion are recommended each day.



Derry Diocesan Trust invites applications for the following

<i>Position</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Closing Date</i>
Pastoral Youth Ministry Coordinator 35 hours per wee	Steelstown Parish, Derry	4.30pm on 23.08.2022
Grounds and Maintenance Person 25 hours per month Seasonal Contract - April to October	St Patrick's Church, Claudy Parish, Co Derry	4.30pm on 23.08.2022

For a job description and application form please:

Write: Personnel, Derry Diocesan Office, St Eugene's Cathedral, Francis Street, Derry, BT48 9AP

Email: payroll@derrydiocese.org

Telephone: 028 7126 2302

Derry Diocesan Trust is an Equal Opportunities Employer. We welcome applications from all men and women and from members of all communities.

Supporting Catholic Parents On Tuesday 6th September, there will be a conference on Zoom hosted by 'The Hook of Faith'. The topic of the conference will be: 'Supporting Catholic Parents: Sharing the Catholic Vision of Love and Human Sexuality with Our Children'. The speaker will be Fr Chris Hayden, author of the recently published book: 'A Better Vision: Understanding and Living the Catholic Vision of Human Sexuality'. The conference will begin at 8pm and conclude at 9 pm. All are welcome. All you need to do to take part is send an email to to: **thehookoffaith@gmail.com** This conference is designed to help Catholic parents be the best educators of their children in the areas of faith and morality in our modern culture.

Prayer for Creation

O Lord, seize us with your power and light,
help us to protect all life,
to prepare for a better future,
for the coming of your Kingdom
of justice, peace, love and beauty.
Praise be to you!
Amen.
(*Laudato Si'*, 246)

