

Saints of the Coming Week: **Tues:** St Francis de Sales, bishop and doctor of the Church; **Wed:** The Conversion of St Paul, apostle; **Thurs:** St Timothy & St Titus, bishops; **Friday:** St Angela Merici, virgin; **Saturday:** St Thomas Aquinas, priest and doctor of the Church.

NI Cancer Pilgrimage to Lourdes 28 May - 2 June 2023. Price £799 (with reduction for cancer patients) includes return flights from Belfast. Full board at the Hotel Agena in Lourdes for 5 nights based on twin/double/triple rooms. Service of JWT guides. Patients, ex-patients, relatives and friends accompanied by medical, nursing and other staff will travel. To book tel 07874688388 or email mail@nicancerpilgrimage.org.uk.

Study Theology, is this for you? The Priory Institute provides online Theology courses to degree level. Attend Saturday lectures in Tallaght or from the comfort of your own home. Register before February 8th. Find out more on our website, prioryinstitute.com

Shantallow Library offers the following: **Lego Club** Saturdays 11.30 am - 12.30 pm for children aged 5+ (accompanied by an adult); **Knit and Natter** (Crochet also welcome) Mondays 2 pm - 4 pm; **Read the Latest Newspapers in Comfort with a cup of tea / coffee** Mondays 11 am - 12 noon; **Rhythm & Rhyme** introducing parents and children aged 0 - 4 to the wonder of rhymes, songs and stories Thursdays 10.45 am - 11.30 am; **Computer 'Drop In'** Wednesdays 12.30 - 1.30 pm offering basic computer guidance and support; **Adult Reading Group** First Tuesday of the month from 6.30 - 7.30 pm encouraging people to read for pleasure, share their enthusiasm and express opinions about books and their authors; **Beginners' Irish Language Course** 8 week course began 20th January from 10 am - 11 am; **Improvers' Irish Language Course** 8 week course began 20th January from 11.15 am - 12.15 pm.; **Shantallow Film Club:** Saturday 28th January 11 am - 12.30 pm screening of a family favourite. Tel: 71354185.

ST PATRICK'S CHURCH, PENNYBURN

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

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 7.30 am: Mass, 10 am: Mass followed by Rosary

Wednesday 7.30 am: Mass; 10.00 am: Mass followed by Rosary; 7.00 pm: Mass

Saturday 10.00 am Mass

ST BRIGID'S CHURCH, CARNHILL

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

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday 8.50 am: Rosary; 9.15 am: Mass

Thursday: 6.30 pm: Mass;

Saturday 10.30 am: Rosary; 11.00 am: Mass

Confessions after 11 am Mass on Saturdays

ST JOSEPH'S CHURCH, GALLIAGH

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

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

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

Marriages 3 months' notice must be given to the parish before date of marriage.

Baptisms Please contact the Parish office by phone to book.

Safeguarding If you have any concerns with regard to safeguarding children or adults in need of protection within the Church, please contact Maire Gormley, the Diocesan Designated Liaison Person (DLP) at tel: +447596 500 793 or email: mairegormley@derrydiocese.org or PSNI (Police Service of N Ireland) 101 or Social Services: Western HSC Trust, +442871314090 (Ask for the Duty Social Worker).

Parish of the Three Patrons

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A - 22nd January 2023

Parish Clergy

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Interrupting the Silence

It is the third Sunday in Ordinary Time and little by little Jesus is discovering his mission. He knows that John has been arrested and that it is the right moment to begin his mission. He withdrew to Galilee, settled in Capernaum and began

his mission there: "Repent, for the Kingdom of God is at hand". He began by selecting his disciples; he called Simon, Andrew, James and John (sons of Zebedea) and told them: "Come and follow me, for I will make you fishers of men". He also calls you and me by name to witness, to speak, to live the proximity of the Kingdom, to give dignity to others, to liberate and to heal.

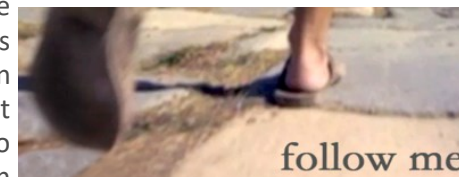
We, Christians today, have the joy of proclaiming and witnessing to our faith, because there was that first proclamation, because there were those humble and courageous men who responded generously to the call of Jesus on the shores of the lake. May the awareness of these beginnings awaken in us the desire to bring the word, love and tenderness of Jesus to every context, even the most difficult and resistant one.

Lord Jesus, help me to love you above all things, to follow you, and to come to your kingdom.

Saint Vincent de Paul The 12.30 Mass on Sunday 29th January in St Brigid's Church, Carnhill will be offered for the intentions of all our donors in thanksgiving for your generosity throughout the year.

Christian Unity Ecumenical Service As part of St Eugene's Cathedral 150th Anniversary Celebrations, Bishop McKeown will host a Christian Unity Service for schools in the City on **Monday 23rd January at 12.30 pm.** Bishop Andrew Forster, Church of Ireland Bishop of Derry and Raphoe, will join with Bishop McKeown for this celebration. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Catholic Schools' Week 2023 begins on 29th January and continues until 4th February in the Diocese of Derry. The theme for this year is '**Catholic Schools: Walking Together in Faith and Love**'. During Catholic Schools' Week families, parishes and schools are invited to participate in a week of celebration of Catholic schools, reflecting on their contribution to the common good of society. To launch Catholic Schools' Week in our diocese, the Eucharist will be celebrated by Bishop McKeown in St Eugene's Cathedral on **Thursday 26th January at 10.00 am.** Everyone is welcome.



Requiescant in Pace Kevin Lafferty, Summerhill Pk; Margaret McDermott, Danesfort Cres; Andrew Doherty, Danesfort Cres; Josephine (Joyce) Hart, Thorndale; Margaret Mary Walsh, formerly Shandon Pk; Declan McCarron, Carnhill & Bloomfield Pk.

Anniversaries Tony Harvey, Noreen McCready, Marion McTernan, Donal Devlin, Patrick Carlin, Charles Breslin, Jackie Dunne, James Coyle, Josephine McChrystal, Billy Crawford, Jim & Bernadette Deeney. May they rest in peace.

Readings for Sunday 29th January: 1st Reading: Zephaniah 2:3,3:12-13; **Responsorial Psalm:** 145(146):6-10; **2nd Reading:** 1 Corinthians 1:26-31; **Gospel:** Matthew 5:1-12a

The Next Irish Mass will be celebrated on Sunday 5th February at 12.30 pm in St Joseph's Church, Galliagh. Everyone welcome.

Diocesan Vocations "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 the Lord and His people as a diocesan priest? If you are considering such a vocation, contact your local priest or the Diocesan Vocations Director, Fr Pat O'Hagan, PP Bellaghy, at pgoh2111@gmail.com or email the National Vocations Office: info@vocations.ie

In today's gospel Jesus calls Simon Peter, Andrew, James and John to follow him. We pray for those the Lord is calling today to follow Him and serve the Church as priests, deacons, religious or in consecrated life, that they will have the willingness and the courage of the first disciples.

A Holy Hour for the Unborn & Expectant Mothers will take place on Thursday at 7 pm in Our Lady's Chapel, St Joseph's Church, Galliagh. All welcome.

Eucharistic Adoration takes place on Mondays after 11 am Mass until 11 pm in St Joseph's Church, Galliagh. Everyone welcome.

A Silent Retreat for Men will take place from Friday 10th - Sunday 12th February in the Carmelite Retreat Centre, Termonbacca. Cost: £90. Everyone welcome. Tel 71262512.

A Ladies' Lenten Retreat, conducted by the Apostles of the Sacred Heart, will take place from Friday 24th - Sunday 26th February in the Carmelite Retreat Centre, Termonbacca. Cost: 90. Everyone welcome. Tel: 71262512.

Accord Derry Marriage Preparation Workshop March 27th / 28th. This virtual courses can be booked at www.accordni.com

Thank You for your generosity to the offertory collection last weekend.

Shantallow Community Centre Warm Hub The Centre's café and social area is available every Mon - Thurs from 2 pm - 4.30 pm. Come along and get a free cuppa, snacks, meet new people and find out all about our programmes. Tel 7128 0250.

You are Invited to an Interdenominational Service for Christian Unity on Wednesday 25th January at 7.30 pm in Oakgrove Integrated College, Stradreagh, Gransha Park, BT47 6TG. The event is led by the Corrymeela Community. All are welcome.

Be Still And Know That I Am God Adults' Silent Retreat, Ards Friary, 3rd - 6th February. The Servant Brothers from the Home of the Mother will lead Spiritual Exercises along with Confession, Rosary, Adoration and Mass. Cost: £190. Tel 00353 86 8231717.

Songs Of Praise Is Coming To Derry! Come and join the congregation for the recording of traditional hymns and songs on Wednesday 8th February from 6.30pm – 9.30pm at The Guildhall. To apply for free tickets, please contact SOPcongregations@afantimedia.tv with your name, tel number and number of tickets you'd like.

Job Opportunities Derry Diocesan Trust **Administrative Officer:** Based at Derry Diocesan Office, Bishop's House, Derry: 3 days per week (9am – 5pm). **Derry Diocesan Trust HR Officer:** Based at Derry Diocesan Office, Bishop's House, Derry: 2 days per week (9am – 5pm). For application pack for each job, please email office@derrydiocese.org or tel 71262302. Completed applications must be returned to Personnel, Bishop's House, St Eugene's Cathedral, Derry, BT48 9AP or via email to payroll@derrydiocese.org no later than 4.30pm on 30.01.2023. Derry Diocesan Trust is an Equal Opportunities Employer. We welcome applications from all men and women and from members of all communities.

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

Alcoholics Anonymous Can't stop? There is a solution. Tel AA 90351222 or email csoofaa@btinternet.com. Website: www.alcoholicsanonymous.ie

Al-Anon offers family support for those affected by alcoholism . Monday to Friday. Contact 028 90682368. All meetings are listed on the website

Warm Space The Verbal Arts Centre, Stable Lane Bishop St is providing a welcoming, warm space providing tea/coffee, free wifi and internet access. Children's play area available. 9.30 am-12 noon Monday -Friday. All welcome.

Lumen Christi College Open Evening takes place on Tuesday 31st January. Prospective pupils and their parents / carers are invited to visit Lumen Christi College between 4 pm and 6.30 pm. Principal's Address: 4 pm and 6 pm in College Assembly Hall. Guided tours of departments will be provided by pupils. Parents of current pupils will be available to share their experience with visitors. Details may be accessed on the College website: www.lumenchristicollege.co.uk

Thornhill College Open Day The principal, staff and pupils of Thornhill College extend a warm welcome to P6 & P7 girls to visit the college on Thursday 26th January from 3.30 pm - 5.30 pm (Principal's address at 4.30 pm).

Give Blood, Save Lives NI Blood Transfusion Service will collect blood donations at St Mary's College, 35 Northland Rd, BT48 0AN on Monday 6th & Tuesday 7th February from 12.30 pm - 4 pm & 5 pm - 7.30 pm. Call 08085 534 653.

Creative Youth Drop-In for those aged 11+ on Fridays from 6.30 pm - 9.30 pm at Studio 2, Unit 1-3, Foyle Business Pk, 4 Beraghmore Rd. Register now at www.studio2derry.com/registration. Come explore your creative side. All welcome.

Toddlers' Football Classes begin on 28th January at St Anne's PS on Saturdays and 29th January at YMCA, Drumahoe on Sundays. Boys & girls aged 18 months - 8 years welcome. Book online at www.littlekickers.co.uk and join in the fun.

St Brigid's Prayer In preparation for the Feast of St Brigid on 1st February, you are invited to learn the following prayer which will be prayed at Masses in St Brigid's Church, Carnhill.

St Brigid, Mary of the Gael, help us to speak Irish as sweetly and gently as you spoke it yourself, Amen.

A Bríd, a Mhuire na nGael, Cuidiú linn Gaeilge a labhairt, chomh binn blasta agus a labhair tú féin í. Amen.