

Errigal Parish News – 18th October 2020

Weekday Masses

St. Mary's Church: Monday through Thursday at 10am.

St. Joseph's Oratory: No weekday Mass presently.

Parish Collections - Thank you.

340 boxes of envelopes in circulation. Returns - (Pink/122 White/100)

St. Mary's - Parish: £715 Renovation £535

St. Joseph's - Parish £935 Renovation £1035

Thanks to those in recent months who continued to contribute to the parish finances by cheque/parish envelopes. Please note that collection baskets circulating during Mass are suspended presently. There is a collection box at the back of each church at the weekend Masses. If you wish to contribute to the parish by standing order - forms can be forwarded upon request by sending an email to: errigalparish@gmail.com

Baptism

We welcome into the parish community Dermot Gabriel O'Kane, 79 Abbeyfields, Dungiven, Amelia McMullan, 4 Curraghmore Park and Faolan Brendan McIlvar, 14 Gortnamoyagh Road who were baptised last weekend.

Baptism Dates: Due to the uncertainty of the prevailing situation going forward, it is not possible at this time to give advance notice of future Baptisms. We shall monitor this in the coming weeks.

St. Mary's Church

Readers –

24th/25th Oct:

Vigil 6pm. - Fionn Wade

Sunday 10am. - Paul Mullan

Eucharistic Ministers –

24th/25th Oct:

Vigil 6pm. - Siobhan McIntyre & Paddy Bradley

Sunday 10am. - Josephine McKeown & Martina Bradley.

St. Joseph's Church

Readers –

24th/25th Oct:

Vigil 7.30pm. - Ciara Mullan

Sunday 11.30am. - Adrian Cullerton

Eucharistic Ministers –

24th/25th Oct:

Vigil 7.30pm. - Emma Niblock & Chris Toal

Sunday 11.30am. - Bronagh McLaughlin & Diane Burns.

Month's Mind Mass

For Jean Mullan, 56 Coolnasillagh Road in St. Mary's Church on Sunday 25th October at 10am.

Annual Masses for the Commemoration of the Dead

Will take place - St. Mary's Church on Sunday 1st November at 10am. and St. Joseph's Church at 11.30am. Further details will follow next week.

Face Coverings/Numbers at Services

From this weekend the wearing of face coverings **is now mandatory** upon entering and leaving the church. Some people are exempt from the wearing of face coverings, even in situations which would otherwise be mandatory. Please continue to observe social distancing, to use the hand sanitiser on entering and leaving each of our churches. Also effective from this weekend the number of people who can attend funerals and weddings are restricted to twenty-five people.

A Series of Presentations on Mission Today

Throughout October, the 'Month of Mission', the Derry Diocesan Mission Team is offering a series of presentations on what mission means in today's society. Each presentation is free and will be available online through Zoom. They will consist of a short film, discussion on the topic and a chance to ask questions. Guest speakers: Martina Purdy, Elaine Kelly, Noel Bradley, Oliver Barrett and Marriage Encounter Ireland. For further information, visit derrydiocese.org
World Mission Sunday celebrations take place over the weekend of the 18th October.

The theme '**Together we can do more – blessed are the peacemakers**', reminds us that the Universal Church family is a global community that must stand together if it is to do more. It also recognises overseas missionaries as peacemakers, who like Jesus Christ, emulate love and harmony as they attempt to reunite fragile people from fractured communities, with God and each other.
Mission Spirituality Today - Presented by Noel Bradley. Mission Spirituality Today in the light of social justice and destruction of the environment. Noel Bradley a native of Buncrana and is married with two children. He is a retired Missionary with training in theology, facilitation and spiritual direction.
Dates: Thursday's 22nd and 29th October. Time: 7:30pm. To take part, send an email to: buncranafaith@gmail.com to receive address and password for Zoom call.

Feasts during the Week:

Thursday - St. John Paul II

Ordained Bishop of Krakow in 1958 he was involved in a significant way in the Second Vatican Council. Was elected in the second Consistory that took place in

1978 following the sudden death of his predecessor John Paul I after thirty-three days. He died on the 2nd April 2005 after a lengthy illness.

Friday - St. John of Capistrano

He studied civil and canon law and joined the Franciscan Order. He was a faithful servant to four popes. He is the patron saint of jurists and military chaplains.

Diocesan 'Net' Newspaper

The October edition of the diocesan newspaper is available on the parish or diocesan websites. For inclusion of articles for coverage of our parish or faith activities to be included - email: editorthenet15@gmail.com or ring/text 07809292852.

Gospel Reflection

Matthew 22:15-21 **'Very well, give back to Caesar what belongs to Caesar – and to God what belongs to God.'** "Give to God what is God's." You belong to Christ and Christ is God's! How will you respond to so great a love?

Is He asking you to follow Him by serving in the priesthood or consecrated life? If so, speak to your local priest, or call your Diocesan Vocation's Director, or email the National Vocations Office on info@vocations.ie

Mission Sunday

This weekend parishes in over 120 countries will celebrate World Mission Sunday. Pope Francis is asking us to give what we can so that overseas missionaries can reach and care for suffering men, woman and children. The annual collection goes towards the most impoverished churches in the developing world. Due to the pandemic and less people attending church, we ask for your consideration towards alternative ways of donating either through your local parish, or you can donate at www.wmi/mission or ring 00353-4972035.

The implications for suffering overseas communities in the months ahead will be devastating. COVID-19 brings fear, but it also shows us that selfless and courageous actions are not reserved solely for saints. In fact, they can be found in every one of us, and that by standing in solidarity together we can do more.

Reflection

Prayer for Anxiety and Stress: Oh Lord, let me hear you. My soul is weary. Worry, fear, and doubt, surround me. On every side. Yet your sweet mercy, cannot be held back. From those that cry out to you, hear my cry! Let me trust in your mercy. Show me how, free me. Free me from anxiety and stress. That I may find rest, in your loving arms. Amen.

Ballerin GAA

There was no winner of the Lotto the Nos were 1, 7, 22, 23 J/P was £10,000 2nd J/P £10,000 3rd J/P £3,000 £50 winner Hugh O'Connell (Jun).