

Errigal Parish News – 22nd November 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/114 White/79)

St. Mary's - Parish: £670 Renovation £345

St. Joseph's - Parish £360 Renovation £200

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 From the end of each month we shall include in the collection figures the amounts relating to the notable increase in standing orders in addition to the figures stated above.

Baptisms

We welcome into the parish community Martin Liam McIlvar, 35A Temple Road, Alice Goretta Holmes, 1 Culbane Lane and John Francis Mullan & Noel Joseph Mullan, 51 Temple Road who were baptised last weekend.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Following enquires regarding the reception of this Sacrament (Confession) provision can be accommodated respecting social distancing and wearing a facial mask, by arrangement either in the space proved in the church or alternatively in the Parochial House.

Sacraments of Initiation

MyFaith.ie is a parish-based programme of preparation for First Holy Communion and Confirmation. It releases new modules every two weeks or so as the children and their families prepare for the Sacraments. Each module begins with a short lesson - for parents - on the content of that module before the next item, a taught lesson for the children. The programme is highly interactive and learning is reinforced through challenges, quizzes and interactive games which are scored but can be repeated indefinitely. This is offered to parents/guardians as a format of instruction during the pandemic.

Mini Advent Retreat on Zoom

You are invited to take part in a 3-session mini-retreat during Advent that will explore the themes of Faith, Hope and Love. The retreat will be led by Fr Billy Swan, and will take place from Tuesday 1st to Thursday 3rd December beginning at 8pm. To take part, all you need to do is send an email to thehookoffaith@gmail.com to receive the Zoom link. Come and join us to prepare for Christmas.

Plenary Indulgence

Is applicable for the duration of the month of November for the faithful who visit a cemetery and pray for the deceased and the Holy Souls.

November Month for the Deceased

November is traditionally the month when we remember and celebrate: 'the lives of those for whom life has changed and the door of death has closed behind them.' In each of our churches in the parish during November there will be a basket placed in the Sanctuary for parishioners to place sealed envelopes of the names of the dead of their loved ones/family circle/relatives/friends. During November we are invited to remember in a special way, our departed loved ones. The donations offered will be forwarded to charity.

Baptism Dates

Due to the uncertainty of the prevailing situation going forward, it is difficult to give advance notice of future Baptisms. Hence we offer these **provisional dates** for Baptism in coming weeks - St. Mary's Church 28th November at 5pm and St. Joseph's Church 6th December at 12.30pm.

Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

Festival celebrated in the Church in honour of Jesus Christ as Lord over all creation. Essentially a magnification of the Feast of the Ascension, it was established by Pope Pius XI in 1925. Originally, it was celebrated on the last Sunday in October, but in the revised liturgical calendar promulgated by Pope Paul VI in 1969 it was moved to the last Sunday of Ordinary Time (immediately preceding Advent), where its theme of Christ's dominion made it a fitting end to the liturgical year.

First Anniversary Mass

For Daniel McCorriston on Sunday 29th November in St. Mary's Church at 10am.

St. Mary's Church

Readers - 28th/29th Nov

Vigil 6pm. - Grace Doherty

Sunday 10am. - Carol Ann McLaughlin

Eucharistic Ministers - 28th/29th Nov
Vigil 6pm. - Siobhan McIntyre & Orla Doherty
Sunday 10am. - Martina Bradley & Gillian O'Neill.

St. Joseph's Church

Readers - 28th/29th Nov
Vigil 7.30pm. - Gerard O'Kane
Sunday 11.30am. - Anne McNicholl

Eucharistic Ministers - 28th/29th Nov
Vigil 7.30pm. - Fidelma O'Kane
Sunday 11.30am. - Chris Toal.

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, with immediate effect the number of people who can attend funerals and weddings are restricted to **twenty-five people**.

Diocesan Paper 'The Net'

The November edition of The Net is now available online, on www.derrydiocese.org. As always, it features a wide variety of news, interesting and inspiring interviews, articles and photos from parishes across the diocese. You are invited to read The Net, on the diocesan website, at your convenience.

Feasts during the Week

Tuesday - St. Andrew Dung-Lac and Companions In recent centuries in Vietnam many Christians suffered martyrdom. In 1988 117 were canonized among them 96 native Vietnamese men and women, 11 Dominican missionaries from Spain and ten French missionaries.

Wednesday - St. Catherine of Alexandria: Was martyred in 310 in Alexandria. Her body is venerated at the monastery on Mount Sinai.

Christ the King Reflection

Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you since the foundation of the world. For I was hungry, and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink. I was a stranger and you welcomed me. I was naked and you clothed me. I was sick and you took care of me. I was in prison and you visited me.

Prayer – Help me, Lord, to seek find and respond to you in every person and in every experience of this day. Grant, Lord, that all my thoughts, intentions, actions and responses may be directed solely to your love and service this day.

Ballerin GAA

There was no winner of the lotto the Nos were 2, 3, 4, 13. 1st J/P £10,000 2nd J/P £10,000 3rd J/P £4,750. £50 winner Eoin McGuckian.