

## Errigal Parish News - Sunday 27th September 2020

**Weekday Masses:** There are NO weekday Masses scheduled in the parish unless required. In case of emergency please contact Rosetta on 29558195/07526737926 who will arrange for a priest to attend.

**St. Mary's Church** - First Friday Mass 2nd October at 10am.

**Parish Collections - Thank you.**

**340 boxes of envelopes in circulation.** Returns - (Pink/134 White/106)

**St. Mary's** - Parish: £665 Renovation £335

**St. Joseph's** - Parish £295 Renovation £305

**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.**

### Sick Visitation

Fr. Crowley will attend the sick in his care on Thursday in the morning in Glenullin and the afternoon in Ballerin/Garvagh.

### Baptism Dates

Going forward we will give advanced notice of Baptism dates in each church so that families can arrange with family members to plan for the Baptism.

**St. Mary's Church** (before the Vigil Mass at 5pm) Saturday 3rd October.

**St. Joseph's Church** (after Sunday Mass at 12.30pm) Sunday 11th October.

### Ballerin GAA

There was no winner of the Lotto the Nos were 11, 15, 16, 30 J/P £10,000 2nd J/P £10,000 3rd J/P £1,980 £50 winner Seamus Canning.

### St Mary's Church

**Altar Society October** - Dolores Mullan Carol Ann McLaughlin Margaret Mullan Kate Mullan.

**Counters for October** - Ann McGahon & Don Robinson.

**Readers** 3rd/4th Oct Vigil 6pm. - Tiarna Niamh Mullan.

Sunday 10am. - Amelia O'Neill

**Eucharistic Ministers** - 3rd/4th Oct Vigil 6pm. - Irene McIntyre & Don Robinson. Sunday 10am. - Gillian O'Neill & Martina Bradley.

## St. Joseph's Church

**Readers** - 3rd/4th Oct Vigil 7.30pm. - Roisin O'Kane  
Sunday 11.30am. - Eimear O'Kane

**Eucharistic Ministers** - 3rd/4th Oct Vigil 7.30pm. - Grainne O'Kane & John Heaney. Sunday 11.30am. - Maria Healy & Eimear O'Kane.

## Face Coverings

At this time, both in Northern Ireland and in the Republic of Ireland, the governments have not made mandatory the wearing of face coverings at services of worship. However, following consultations with Public Health authorities, the leaders of the four main churches in Ireland decided to recommend and encourage the use of face coverings at Masses and other liturgical celebrations. Some people are exempt from the wearing of face coverings, even in situations which would otherwise be mandatory, as outlined at <https://www.nidirect.gov.uk/articles/coronavirus-covid19-face-coverings> and <https://www.gov.ie/en/publication/aac74c-guidance-on-safe-use-of-facecoverings>. Please continue to observe social distancing, and to use the hand sanitiser on entering and leaving the Church.

## Season of Creation

Pope Francis established 1st September as an annual World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation. The Season of Creation is marked throughout the Christian world from 1st September to 4th October (Feast of St. Francis of Assisi) and celebrates the joy of creation as well as encouraging awareness-raising initiatives to protect the natural environment. Further ideas/resources from the diocesan website - [www.derrydiocese.org](http://www.derrydiocese.org)

## Maternity Blessing

Expectant mothers are welcome to receive a blessing in any of the sacristies following Mass - and a prayer card for their pregnancy.

## The Net

Is available now online on the Diocesan website, [www.derrydiocese.org](http://www.derrydiocese.org). As always, it covers a wide range of events, there are loads of interviews and photos, and plenty of news from parishes and people from all around the diocese. There is also a great section devoted to youth news and activities.

## Reflection

### 'Prayer to our Guardian Angel'

Angel of God, my guardian dear to whom God's love commits me here. Ever this day be at my side to light and guard to rule and guide. Amen.

## Feasts during the Week

### **Tuesday - St. Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, Archangels**

Michael mentioned in the Apocalypse as leader of the heavenly host. Gabriel appears in the Book of Daniel to explain some of the prophet's visions.

### **Wednesday - St Jerome**

He studied in Rome; he was attracted to the ascetic life. In Bethlehem he translated the bible into Latin.

### **Thursday - St. Therese of the Child Jesus**

She was born in France. Her mother had breast cancer, and she died when Therese was four, and the family moved to Lisieux. She became a Carmelite nun and died of TB at the age of twenty-four.

### **Friday - Holy Guardian Angels**

The doctrine that every individual soul has a guardian angel has never been defined by the Church and so is not an article of faith, but it is the 'mind of the Church' - it is present in the Old and New Testament.