

# Parish of Greencastle, Co. Tyrone (Diocese of Derry)

St. Patrick's, Greencastle Our Lady of the Wayside, Broughderg Corpus Christi [Year A] (18th June, 2017)

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**Thought for Corpus Christi:** "Eating is a powerful way of changing another substance into our own food. Food, when eaten and digested, is transformed into our own flesh and bone and brain cells. But when we eat the bread which is the Body and Blood of Christ, it is Christ who transforms us into himself, making us into the Christ-persons which our name 'Christian' calls us to be, and indeed presupposes that we are."

From Bread of Life by Cardinal Cahal B. Daly

Liturgy Schedule for Eleventil Week in	i Ordinary Time [Tear A] (S	Sunday 18th June – Sunday 25th June)		
Saturday 17 <sup>th</sup> June	St. Patrick's	6.00pm Vigil Mass		
Do This in Memory (week 10)				
Sunday 18 <sup>th</sup> June	St. Patrick's	9.00am Mass (Missa Pro Populo)		
Corpus Christi [Year A]	Our Lady of the Wayside	<b>11.00am</b> Mass:		
		Deceased members of the Quinn family		
Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> June	St. Patrick's	<b>10.00am</b> Mass		
Tuesday 20th June	St. Patrick's	9.00am Mass		
The Irish Martyrs				
Wednesday 21st June	St. Patrick's	<b>7.30pm</b> Mass		
St. Aloysius Gonzaga (religious)				
Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> June	Our Lady of Lourdes PS	10.00am Leavers Mass for Primary 7		
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> June	St. Patrick's	<b>10.00am</b> Mass		
Most Sacred Heart of Jesus				
Saturday 24 <sup>th</sup> June	St. Patrick's	6.00pm Vigil Mass:		
Nativity of St. John the Baptist		Sally Glass (2 <sup>nd</sup> Anniversary)		
Sunday 25 <sup>th</sup> June	St. Patrick's	9.00am Mass (Missa Pro Populo)		
Solemn Annual Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament begin with Concluding Prayers and Benediction at 4.30pm				
Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time [Year A]	Our Lady of the Wayside	<b>11.00am</b> Mass:		
	· •	Barney O'Neill (15th Anniversary)		

Weekly Collection: £820

Thank you for your continuing generosity

**Uganda Appeal:** I want to thank all of you who donated so generously to my Waakesa appeal. Your contribution added a good £900 to my grand total of £8,000! Thank you all so very much.

Sincerely Ann O'Kane

Remembering our Dead: We pray for the happy repose of the soul of *P Joe Clarke (Formil)* who was buried last Sunday and *Patsy O'Neill (Broughderg)* who was buried on Friday. We pray for all who mourn the loss of their loved one at this time. We also pray for the repose of the souls of *John and Bridget Quinn* and *Rose, Anthony and Charlie Quinn* whose anniversaries are remembered at this time.

**Solemn Annual Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:** Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> June in St Patrick's Church after 9.00am Mass until concluding prayers and Benediction beginning at 4.30pm and concluding at 5.00pm.

Suggested visitation times for each townland in the parish will be published in next week's Parish Newsletter

**Queen's University Catholic Chaplaincy** – *Graduation Masses*: All of this summer's Queen's graduands, their families and friends are invited to attend at 12.30pm each day from Thursday 29th June to Wednesday 5th July (excluding Sunday) in the Corpus Christi Chapel at Chaplaincy and to stay afterwards for tea / coffee.

Email: qubcc@downandconnor.org Congratulations to all students who are completing their time at QUB

Medjugorje Irish Centre Pilgrimages: Airport Transport and 7 nights B&B €279 – Call for flight info.

Tel: 01 443 4510 • Email: reservations@med-irishcentre.com

Institute of Irish Leadership – Annual Gaeltacht Thír Eoghain: Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> to Friday 7<sup>th</sup> July. £65 admission Tel: (028) 8775 7800 • Email: kathleenburnsiil@gmail.com

**Next Week's Readings:** Jeremiah 20:10-13 • Psalm 68:8-10, 14, 17, 33-35, R/ v 12 • Romans 5:12-15

Matthew 10:26-33 • Lectionary 1:668 Sunday [Year A]

Sunday [Year A] • Weekday [Year 1]

6.00pm Saturday Vigil	Offertory Gift Rota	9.00am Sunday Morning
Saturday 17th June DTiM (week 10)	Feast of	Sunday 18th June
The family of Cira McLaughlin	Corpus Christi	The family of Cody McAleer
Saturday 24th June	Twelfth Sunday	Sunday 25 <sup>th</sup> June
The family of Shea Tracey	in Ordinary Time	The family of Brian McDermott

**National Holy Wells Day:** On Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> June you are encouraged to visit your local ancient holy well or sacred site and pray for the protection of clean water. The Columba Community have organised groups to go to local Holy Wells at 3pm on this day. St Columba's Wells in Derry; St Mura's Well, Fahan; St Patrick's Well, Grianan. All welcome to attend any of these short services.

Address: IOSAS Centre and Celtic Prayer Garden, Lenamore Road, Derryvane, Muff, Co. Donegal Tel: (00353) (0) 74 9384866 • Website: celticprayergarden.com • Facebook: IOSASCentre • Twitter: IOSASCentre

Rouskey Community Centre – Upcoming Classes: Call Bridie on 07591 047 556, 07847 469 428 or (028) 8164 8706

Child Care Level 2 10 to 12 people are needed to start in September

Health and Social Care Level 2 A few more people are needed to start

Essential Skills Levels 1 and 2 in English and 2 in IT These September courses are free

Pilates with Breda Turbitt Monday 19th June at 7.00pm (£10).

Sixtowns Cross Community Group – Summer Festival of Events:

facebook.com/sixtownscommunity

**Thursday 29**th **June** Children's Movie Night in hall, 6.30pm, £2 per child with cookies and milk served at interval *Under 6s to be accompanied by supervising adult* 

Friday 30<sup>th</sup> June Dance in hall with music by Still Water, 10.00pm to 12.00pm Refreshments served • £5 admission Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> July Free Historical Walk around places of interest in Sixtowns. Departs from the hall at 4.00pm

Light refreshments served after walk • Transport provided for anyone with limited mobility

Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> July Community Fun Day in hall, 3.00pm to 6.00pm with Crazy Golf, Puppet Shows,

Bouncy Castles and Face painting included in the £2 admission fee per person.

### Rowan Tree Centre, Pomeroy – *Upcoming Events*:

Tel: (028) 8775 7834 • Email: rowantreepomeoy@gmail.com • Facebook: rowan.centre Monday 19<sup>th</sup> June Adults Guide to keeping themselves and their children safe online Includes Internet safety and cyber bullying, 7.30pm to 9.00pm

Tuesday 20th June Slimming world, 5.30pm and 7.30pm – AA at 8.00pm

Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> June Kettlebells with Nuala (Surestart programmes continue as usual)

Monday 26<sup>th</sup> June Awareness raising of legal and illegal drug misuse within communities, 7.30pm to 9.00pm Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> June CAB Drop in Session, 9.00am to 12 noon – Slimming world, 5.30pm and 7.30 pm – AA, 8.00pm

Thursday 29th June Kettlebells with Nuala

**Friday 30<sup>th</sup> June** Run for the Future 5K Run / Jog / Walk, registration starts at 6.15pm with 5K at 7.00pm. £5 (child), £10 (adult), £20 (family), refreshments afterwards in the Rowan Tree Centre. *Proceeds in aid of Pomeroy Youth GAC* 

**SUSE+ Community Programme:** Are you aged between 16-65? Unemployed or working under 16 hours a week? If yes, you may be eligible to attend free courses in the Rowan Tree Centre.

Paediatric First Aid • Manual Handling • Food Safety • CV / Interview Preparation Workshops • Emergency First Aid If you would like to come to any of these courses, please book your place with Conall via the details below

Address: SUSE+ Community Programme, South West College, Cookstown

Email: conall.mcelholm@swc.ac.uk • Tel: 07834 129 213 Courses will be run, subject to minimum number interested

Derry Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lough Derg: Friday 23rd to Sunday 25th June. Led by Bishop Donal McKeown Coach leaving from St. Eugene's Cathedral, Derry Cost: £80 per person (inc. all transport and pilgrimage costs)

A non-refundable deposit of £20 per person is required to secure your place.

For info / to register call The Diocesan Catechetical Centre on (028) 7126 4087 / email amhickey@derrydiocese.org

Flaxpullers Festival Events:

All events will be held in the Flaxmill Centre, Drumduff, Sixmilecross

Wednesday 21st June, 9.30pm Old Tyme Dance with music by Larry & Co.

Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> June, 8.00pm Concert celebrating 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary with host of local talent supplying entertainment Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> June BBQ and Dance with music by Cajun Country – Steaks served from 9.00pm to 10.30pm Call (028) 8075 7014 or (028) 8076 1848 to learn more

Pope Francis' Intention for June (please remember this in your personal prayers)

National Leaders: That national leaders may firmly commit themselves to ending the
arms trade, which victimises so many innocent people.

**Join the Derry Youth Community (DYC) Adventure:** If you are between the ages of 18 and 25 and considering a Gap Year experience why not consider one with a difference? The DYC are a community of faith and service located in the heart of Derry City and serving the young people of the Diocese of Derry.

If faith is important in your life, and you are attracted to the ideal of service, you can find more information by visiting derryyouthcommunity.com or emailing dyc@derrydiocese.org

Rural Support: We could help you with financial stress by

Providing free, confidential face-to-face support

Helping you identify a way forward

Email: info@ruralsupport.org.uk

Website: ruralsupport.org.uk

To speak with someone in confidence call our helpline on 0845 606 7 606

**Child Safeguarding:** If you or anyone you know has a concern or wishes to report an allegation directly to the statutory authorities, please contact the PSNI / local Health and Social Care Trust. If you are contacting the latter, ask to speak to the Duty Social Worker. Alternatively, if you have a child safeguarding concern in relation to any member of Church personnel and wish to report it to Church authorities, please contact one of the diocesan designated persons, who will in turn report your concern to the relevant statutory authorities. See poster at entrance

Kindercare Fostering NI: Could you help a child in need? Northern Ireland is currently experiencing a severe shortage of foster carers and particularly carers from the Catholic Community. We are a not-for-profit organisation which works to find safe, secure and loving homes for children and young people in need in Northern Ireland. If you are interested in finding out more:

Tel: (028) 90941690 • Email: qillian.devlin@kindercare.co.uk • Website: kindercareni.co.uk

MARA (Maximising Access in Rural Areas): Find out if you're missing out on benefits, services or grants by booking your FREE home visit. Referrals can be made for benefits checks, home safety visits, occupational therapy assessments as well as others. You'll also receive a FREE bag containing £25 worth of items to help keep you warm this winter.

Call Carol on (028) 8225 1559 to book

Irish Episcopal Council for Emigrants – Emigrant Information Pack: Contains practical information for intending Irish emigrants, such as visa requirements, advice on health insurance, gaining employment, accommodation and other information pertaining to each of the main receiving countries. It also provides information for Irish emigrants planning to return to Ireland after a period living abroad as well as other articles and information on the theme of emigration.

If interested in receiving a free copy(s) of this booklet please contact Teresa at the Derry Diocesan Office

Email: t.mcmenamin@derrydiocese.org • Tel: (028) 7126 2302 • Website: catholicbishops.ie/tag/emigrants

**ACCORD** – *Relationship Counseling*: A service which facilitates couples and individuals to explore, reflect upon and resolve difficulties in their marriages and relationships in a confidential, sensitive, respectful and non-judgmental setting.

An appointment can be arranged by calling the Omagh Centre on (028) 8224 2439 or emailing omagh@accordni.com

Volunteer at White Oaks Acorn Organic Farm: If you have an interest in organic growing and have a few hours to spare, why not spend them with us? Contact us using the details below.

Address: IOSAS Centre and Celtic Prayer Garden, Lenamore Road, Derryvane, Muff, Co. Donegal

Tel: (00353) (0) 74 9384866 • Website: celticprayergarden.com • Facebook: IOSASCentre • Twitter: IOSASCentre

Drink Wise Age Well: Are you over 50? Are you worried about your own or someone else's alcohol use?

For confidential information, advice and support call (028) 8283 9240

St. Michael's Apostolate of Prayer for Priests: The co-ordinators in the Derry Diocese wish to raise awareness of the Apostolate of Prayer for Priests and to invite people from across the diocese to join in this prayer initiative. The Apostolate prayer card offers us a special opportunity to spend ten minutes each day in pray for a priest.

The co-ordinators for the diocese and their contact details are: prayerforpriests.com

Rosemary Johnson 07810 387 825 - brendan\_rosemary@yahoo.co.uk • Ethna Hill 07528 249 838 - ethna776@yahoo.com

Siobhan Sweeney 07880 588 041 - siobhanswen1@yahoo.co.uk • Eamon Cassidy 077435 02165 - e\_cassidy@hotmail.com

Parish Liturgy for June, 2017	St. Patrick's (6.00pm Vigil Mass)	St. Patrick's (9.00am Mass)	Our Lady of the Wayside (11.00am Mass)
Readers	Roisin Hood	Siobhan McKenna	Barry Maguire
Eucharistic Ministry	Kathleen Bradley	Louise Coyle	Peter Noel McAleer
Prayers of Intercession	Eimear Bradley	Aileen Tracey	Grace Conneely
Collectors	Margaret Morris	Frank Keenan	Brendan Daly
	Michael McNamee	Patrick Tuohey	Tony Donnelly
Altar Society	Nuala Glass and Rosemary McCullagh		Anne McDermott Josephine Clarke

**Sacrament of Reconciliation / Confession:** The Sacrament of Reconciliation better known as Confession is very important and vital part of our lives as Catholics. The times for Confession will be as follows.

St. Patrick's: Eve of First Friday from after 10.00am Mass until 11.00am when mass is celebrated with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament during that time except when there is a funeral or no mass First Saturday of each month from after mass until 11.00am with Adoration unless there is a 12noon wedding Each Saturday Evening 5.30pm-5.45pm and after Vigil Mass on request after Mass

Our Lady of the Wayside: Each Sunday 10.30am to 10.45am and after 11.00am Mass on request after Mass

Family Care Society – Interested in Adoption? We specialise in finding forever families for children aged 3 years old and upwards and for brothers and sisters. This year we have successfully placed more brothers and sisters together and half of them were over the age of 3. Many more children need forever families. Could you be their new family? We are also seeking families who would be interested in becoming concurrent carers for babies under 2 years old. If you want to talk to one of our specialist adoption practitioners contact.

Rachael (Belfast Office): (028) 9069 1133 • Julie or Brian (Derry Office): (028) 7136 8592 Email: email@familycaresociety.org • Website: familycaresociety.co.uk

# Guidelines on Use of Modern Technology when Working with Children - Use of Photography and Video:

The use of photography and video is an issue of great concern among those working with children. The Diocese recognises that every parish has their own arrangements in relation to its use in schools, youth groups and for the sacraments however the guidelines have been devised below to aid parishes and diocesan groups:

- It is always good practice to seek written permission from a parent or guardian before taking any photographs or
  video footage of children. This written permission must be sought from the parent/guardian or the person who
  owns the photograph before it can be displayed on promotional materials or websites. This can be incorporated in
  the registration form when a child joins a group (template permission Resource 10);
- Neither names nor any personal information should be displayed alongside any photographs;
- Special consideration should be given where taking photographs or video footage might be misinterpreted, or the
  images could be seen as provocative (e.g. beach trip or gymnastics display etc.). It is not to say, however, that
  with the right planning, these events cannot be recorded and enjoyed.

Photography and video recording are important methods of recording social activity and providing an historic record – illustrating and validating important moments in people's lives. This process is a powerful and personal one, and therefore we must respect the rights of all to make the choice whether or not to be photographed.

From Safeguarding Policy and Procedures, published on behalf of the Diocesan Safeguarding Committee

Precious Life – 11th All-Ireland Rally for Life: Saturday 1st July in Dublin City Centre with Holy Mass in St. Saviours Church, Dominick St., Dublin beforehand at 12.30pm. Join thousands of people from across Ireland for this fun-filled family day out. Coaches will be travelling to the Rally from various towns across Northern Ireland.

For more information contact Rosary Crusade for Ireland on (028) 9027 8484 or info@preciouslife.com

**MA in Catholic School Leadership:** Offered by the Derry Diocesan Catechetical Centre working in partnership with St. Mary's College, Twickenham. The third cohort will begin Autumn. This is a post graduate degree dedicated to the professional development and spiritual formation of Catholic school leaders. It is a great opportunity for those who aspire to, or have an interest in, leadership roles within the Catholic School system. An information session will take place in St. Mary's College, Derry on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> June at 4.00pm.

St. Vincent de Paul Helpline: For those in need of assistance please call 07738 837 992

### Seeing your life through the lens of the gospel – *John 6:51-58*:

John Byrne OSA (jpbyrneosa@gmail.com)

- 1. Jesus tells us that to have life we need more than physical nourishment. How have you been aware of deeper hungers? What has met that deeper longing in you?
- 2. Jesus tells us that it is not just something he gives us which will give us life, but himself in his life, death and resurrection. How has your faith in the person of Jesus fed you?
- 3. Jesus speaks about 'drawing life' from him. In day to day living what are the practices which support your faith and help you to draw life from Jesus?
- 4. The Eucharist is one of the ways in which we draw life from Jesus. Recall with gratitude how the Eucharist has been a source of nourishment and life for you.
- 5. Perhaps you can also think of human examples of people drawing life from one another. From whom have you drawn life? Who has been able to draw life from you?

## Musings – The Unveiled Beauty:

From Bread of Life by Cardinal Cahal B. Daly (Veritas Publications, 2011)

Eating is a very powerful way of changing another substance into our own. Food, when eaten and digested, is transformed into our own flesh and bone and brain cells. But when we eat the bread which is the Body and Blood of Christ, it is Christ who transforms us into himself, making us into the Christ-persons which our name 'Christian' calls us to be, and indeed presupposes that we are. Baptism is sometimes called 'Christening'; this is a very meaningful word: Christening, it means our becoming transformed into Christ. The Eucharist is a most powerful means for being thus transformed into Christ. Julian of Norwich spoke of being 'substantially oned' with Christ. The purpose of adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament is to become more and more 'substantially oned' with Christ, so that, as St Paul puts it, for us to live is Christ, and the life we live is the 'life of Christ who lives in us' (cf. Gal 2:20).

The poet Paul Durcan has a marvellous phrase; 'Heaven ... is a place ... /that would surprise you.' Heaven is endlessly repeated surprise at the unveiled beauty hidden in the mysteries we now know – faintly and darkly but truly – by faith.

### The Deep End – Jesus, the Bread of Life:

Jane Mellett (melletti@gmail.com)

Jesus gives his whole self to us and invites us to a deep union with him. We often imagine God up in the clouds in heaven looking down at us, maybe distant, maybe disconnected. The Eucharist shows us that God is involved in the messiness of human life, present to us in Jesus' body and blood. Bread is nourishing, bread is for life, bread is food for the journey. Jesus is all of these things for us. His blood is a reminder of his death, of the brokenness of this world, of the struggles of people's lives. Christ invites people to connect their own sufferings with his.

Jesus, present with us in all of life, invites us into a deep union with himself. Flesh and blood means the whole person; 'the living bread' invites us to an even deeper intimacy. It can be a difficult passage to understand, but perhaps today you might reflect on times you felt sustained by God, strengthened by God through joyful times and sorrowful times. You might also reflect on who has been Jesus for you? Where have you seen Christ in this world, in flesh and blood?

### Come home to the love of God's Family on Lough Derg – Three Day Pilgrimage

You may begin on any day between Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> June and Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> August No need to book. Daily boats to the island from 10.30am to 3.00pm, 7 days per week.

There are various travel options available countrywide

Lough Derg team can help you to co-ordinate public transport or link up with Pilgrimage Organisers in your locality **Tel:** Maureen or Lorraine on 07198 615 18 (00353 7198 615 18 from NI)

Email: info@loughderg.org Website: loughderg.org

**Towards Peace:** A spiritual support service designed for those who have experienced sexual, physical, emotional or spiritual abuse by Catholic Church personnel in Ireland. Support is also available for family members of abuse survivors. The vision of Towards Peace is to provide a safe supportive space, where people who have been affected by abuse in a Church context can be accompanied as they seek their own experience of spiritual peace, one step at a time. Towards Peace provides spiritual support through one-to-one spiritual direction sessions, with a qualified spiritual companion. Up to 9 sessions are offered and they are free.

Website: towardspeace.ie • Tel: 01 505 3028 • Email: towardspeace@iecon.ie

### Greencastle St. Patrick's GAC and Greencastle Community Association are working together to begin developing a shared Community Hub

This is essentially a 10-15 year plan to improve the facilities in our community for the benefit of our residents.

We now have eighteen groups who use the facilities at the community centre and our resources are stretched to accommodate everyone—we need more space.

An Caisleán Glas Community Hub will take the form of a 3-phase development with the first phase incorporating a new shared / educational space, a multi-purpose gym/spinning studio, an exhibition area and additional multi-purpose rooms.

To allow this development plan to proceed we need as many people as possible to complete our community questionnaire which will be available at the community centre through the various groups/classes, the shop and school.

The questionnaire will also be available online

Everyone who fully completes the questionnaire is entered into a draw to win £50.

We would also like to invite people to come along to the club rooms to see the plans at 'design concept stage' and participate in a unique opportunity to influence this plan.

Foyle Hospice – Become a Compassionate Neighbour: Do you have 1-2 hours free once a week to support Foyle Hospice's Compassionate Communities 'Reach Out' voluntary befriending service. It might be as simple as calling in for a cup of tea and a chat, or taking someone out to do a bit of shopping. A volunteer's visit is invaluable to someone who is feeling lonely and isolated due to an illness. Full training and ongoing support with additional training opportunities are offered to all volunteers.

Call Tracy Gray, Volunteer Coordinator on 07841 101 932 or email tracy@compassionatecommunitiesnw.com

Saturday 1st July at 6.00pm in St. Patrick's Cemetery
Annual Service of Intercession for the Dead

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2016 Parish Statistics				
Baptisms (18)	First Holy Communions / Reconciliations (16)	Confirmations (21)		
7 Boys	10 Boys	10 Boys		
11 Girls	6 Girls	11 Girls		
Marriages (16)	Funerals (10)	Station Masses		
7 within parish	8 within parish	in October		
9 outside parish	2 outside parish	8		

**Events** The death of retired Bishop of Derry Most Rev. Dr. Edward Daly is announced on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> August Mass with Padre Pio Relic Celebrated in St Patrick's Church on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> October

### **The Net – June Edition:** Now on sale, with coverage including:

Limavady looking forward to HOPE Camp • Faughanvale's young pioneers • Strathfoyle Youth Choir in concert St. Eithne's, Ballymagroarty pupils enjoy May Procession • Special Needs Mass a special occasion Confirmation feature • Aghyaran First Holy Communion • Derry Adoration pilgrims in Knock Divine Mercy celebrations in Altinure and Cappagh • Greencastle parishioners at RTÉ studio Mass Lovely surprise for Galliagh sacristan • Omagh get-together for Indian children sponsors Carnhill launches monthly Fatima vigils • Dungiven celebrates Fatima anniversary • Claudy Ceili Mission Bellaghy thanks for volunteers • Sun shines on Malin Well pilgrims • Large crowds at St Eugene's Novena Celebrating Mary in Culmore • Burt prepares for Golden Jubilee • Maghera retreat day for families Pioneers gather for Ardmore Mass • ACCORD Mass of remembrance • Derry Cursillo Easter Bonnet show Termonbacca Crochet Group helping charities • Three decades of Marian Prayer in Termonbacca Derry bishops' pilgrim walk • Waterside faith story • Joy of Love journey continues in Ardmore Croke Park Conference for young Catholics • Fortifying Youth Ministry in Ireland Relevance of Cursillo today • Flower Festivals • Ramsey in the kitchen Feature on St. Canice • Children's Catechism Club • Diocesan Diary • Quiz Time

### Three Patrons Parish – Come and join us to celebrate the 100th Anniversary of Fatima Apparitions

Every 13th of the month from May to October with the exception of 19th August) in St Brigid's, Carnhill Derry beginning on Saturday 13th May with Vigil Mass at 6.00pm followed by Candlelight Rosary Procession and Eucharistic Adoration until Midnight with Rosary every hour

Celebrant: Most Rev. Donal Mc Keown • All are welcome

## Iona Institute NI - 'How to Speak Up' Media Training Workshops

Gain confidence in speaking out on important issues like the meaning of marriage and the right to life. **Adult:** Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> June, 6.00pm to 8.30 pm

• **Youth (15yrs+):** Friday 30<sup>th</sup> June, 10.00am to 3.00pm **Address:** St. Brides Parish Hall, 38 Derryvolgie Avenue, Belfast. BT9 6FP **Email:** tharkin@ionainstitute.ie

• **Tel:** 07531 149 891

**Pilgrimage to Medugorje:** Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> to Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> September Direct flights from Belfast, half board in the Leone Hotel and all tax and insurance £579 *Contact Maria on (028) 8164 8357 or 07768 395 038 for more details* 

Family Care Society: We are presently seeking to recruit adoptive families for babies and young children.

For more information contact us via the following details (offices open weekdays from 9.00am to 1.00pm)

Tel: (028) 9069 1133 or (028) 7136 8592 • Email: a.ohagan@familycaresociety.org • Website: familycaresociety.co.uk

Red Cross: Can you spare 1 hour a week? Would you like to help the Red Cross care for people in your local community? We are looking for volunteers for our wheelchair service and volunteer drivers to help with deliveries and collections. No experience necessary. Full training provided and volunteer expenses reimbursed.

Call Julie White on (028) 7186 3764 / (078) 0302 4011

## Pope Francis – 'Vocations are born in prayer, and only in prayer can they persevere and bear fruit'

The Irish Bishops' Council for Vocations has launched a prayer initiative for an increase in vocations to the priesthood and religious life in Ireland. In this centenary of the apparitions of Our Lady of Fatima, parishes, schools and families are invited to pray a decade of the Rosary, for vocations in Ireland, on the 13th of each month from May until October.

Those taking part in the prayer initiative are invited to use the social media hashtag #Pray4Vocations

# 10th Annual Award Ceremony for The Pope John Paul II Award Celebrations:

Rome Pilgrimage: [Group 1] Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> October to Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> November [Group 2] Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October to Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> November (including an audience with Holy Father, Pope Francis)
God our Father, Saint John Paul II tells us to trust Christ;

To listen attentively to his teachings, To fix our eyes on his face, To persevere in listening to his Word,
To allow him to focus our search and our aspirations and all our ideas and the desires of our heart.

Help us Father, to do this so that all the actions and decisions of our lives are done
with Jesus who is our Saviour and friend for ever and ever. Amen
Our Lady of Knock pray for us and for the young people in Ireland

#### This Week's Calendar of Feasts and Saints:

- **Tuesday 20**th **June The Irish Martyrs** Dozens of people who have been sanctified in varying degrees for dying for their Roman Catholic faith between 1537 and 1714 in Ireland.
- Wednesday 21st June St. Aloysius Gonzaga (religious) Joined the Jesuits. As a model novice he worked in the plague hospital and caught fever, dying in 1691 at the age of 23. Patron of Youth.
- Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> June *Most Sacred Heart of Jesus* One of the most widely practiced and well-known Roman Catholic devotions, taking Jesus Christ's physical heart as the representation of his divine love for humanity.
- Saturday 24th June Nativity of St. John the Baptist We rejoice at the coming of John the Baptist, a man of self-denial, integrity of life and purpose, and an uncompromising prophetic voice. John means, 'The Lord has shown favour'. This feast relates to summer solstice, when days begin to grow shorter, recalling John's words, 'He must increase, but I must decrease'.