

VOCATIONS EVENING

Is God calling you to live the life of a Priest in the Archdiocese of Armagh? An evening of prayer and reflection will take place in The Servite Priory, Benburb on **Wed 4 Dec from 5pm – 7.30pm**. For further info contact: Fr Peter McAnenly, 42 Abbey Street, Armagh, BT61 7DZ. Tel: 028 3752 2802. p.mcanenly@btopenworld.com

KNOCK SHRINE VIGIL

41st Eucharistic Annual All Night Vigil, **Sat 7 Dec**. Coach £15. For info and booking Gabrielle (028)8778 4964 mob:- 07933 521 105 or Grace (028) 8778 4942

TROCAIRE GIFTS

Choose a life-changing gift this Christmas. Trocaire Gifts will be on sale in **Oaks Centre 22 and 23 Nov -10am-6pm** and **St Teresa's Hall 7/8 Dec** after weekend Masses. Please support this worthy cause.

DUNGANNON GAELIC FORUM

Meeting in the Iggy Jones room in O'Neill Park on **Mon 18 Nov at 8pm**. Everyone welcome.

ANAM CARA

Bereavement Information Evening on **Wed 27 Nov** in Armagh City Hotel. Guest speaker is Bríd O'Carroll and the topic is *"Coping with loss when a child dies"*. We need to confirm numbers for room set up, so RSVP to info@anamcara.com before **Mon 25 Nov** or call us 003531 404 5378.

MODEL FARM DISPLAY

Killeeshil Community Centre on **Sun 24 Nov from 12-5pm**. Adults £5 children £2 or family ticket £10. All proceeds in aid of **Action Cancer and Southern Area Hospice**. Everyone welcome.

TRÁTH NA GCEIST/TABLE QUIZ

(Conradh na Gaeilge) Bilingual table quiz in Quinn's Bar, Lwr Scotch Street at **9pm on Fri 22 Nov**. Proceeds to Irish education in Dungannon. Ceisteanna ar eolas ginearálta, stair, siamsaíocht (general knowledge, history, entertainment) and others. Everyone welcome. Tuilleadh eolais 07835 533 186.

TABLE QUIZ

Thurs 12 Dec at 9pm in Dungannon Rugby Club. All proceeds to **1st Tyrone Scout Group**, Dungannon.

SCOUT HALL

BINGO every **Monday at 8.30pm sharp**. Please show your support for your local Scout Hall. Free tea/coffee. Snowball, Flyover and Lotto. Free prize draw each week. Books £5. Flyer £2

DGN THOMAS CLARKE GFC

Lotto: 9, 10, 12, 22. 5 match 3 winners. Jackpot now £2,250

KILLYMAN GFC

Lotto: 4, 9, 11, 19. 5 match 3 winners. AGM **Sun 17 Nov at 2pm** in the clubrooms. **"Memories are made of this"** Music, Dance and Drama show covering 50 years of entertainment **29, 30 Nov and 1 Dec** in the Community Centre. Tickets £10 – tel 07719 917 718.

Parish Office

Mon - Thurs 9.00am - 5.00pm

CLOSED FRIDAYS

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8772 6893

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St. Patrick's



St. Brigid's



Sacred Heart



St. Malachy's

Parish of Dungannon

Rt. Rev. Dean C. Curry PP, Tel 8772 2775

Fr. S. White, Fr. D Glocko, Fr. R. McAleer. Tel: 8772 2631

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33rd Sunday of the Year

17th November 2013

Dear Parishioners,

I'm sure you've often watched funeral services in some of the television soaps from across the water, where a close friend or relative of the person being buried or cremated gets up to give a eulogy. With great poignancy, they usually extol the virtues of the deceased and stress how they will be sorely missed. It makes for powerful drama and ensures riveted viewing, but it is invariably secular in its content. When people don't have a faith dimension to their lives and when God doesn't feature too much on their agenda, then there is very little to focus on except the impact of death and the memories of the person who has died. In many of the television scenarios there is seldom a spiritual context because the people generally are non-believers or have only a vague attachment to Christian beliefs.

Writing to the Thessalonians, St Paul once offered a piece of sound advice: "My brothers and sisters, do not grieve for the dead like other people, who have no hope. We believe that Jesus died and rose again and that it will be the same for those who have died in Christ: God will bring them with him".

Therein lies the difference. Our faith in the resurrection offers us a reason to hope. The promise of eternal life, which is the kernel of our Christian faith, gives us reassurances beyond the grave. So in the face of death we don't focus our thoughts on ourselves or even on the person who has died; we commemorate the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ and we pray that the divine life given at baptism may be brought to its fulfillment in eternal glory.

Therefore, I think it would be regrettable if any Catholic funeral were to imitate elements of a secular gathering like reading poetry, giving a eulogy or playing pop music. "We do not grieve like other people..." Our liturgies are sacred moments, which must be celebrated with reverence and dignity. In that context I wish to compliment the families of this parish who demonstrate great respect and common sense when it comes to planning the funeral Mass for loved ones.

On behalf of the other priests in the parish, I thank all who returned their November Dead Lists. Masses will be offered each month throughout the coming year to ask God's mercy on those who have gone before us and to pray that the Lord will welcome them in to his Kingdom of light, happiness and peace.

With every blessing, Colum Curry PP

Sunday Masses (including Vigil):

St. Patrick's: Sat at 6.15pm
Sun: 8am, 10.30am
& 12.30pm

Polish Mass: Sun at 5.30pm

Edendork: Sun at 10am &
12noon

Clonmore Sun at 10am

Killyman: Sun at 11am

WEEKDAY MASSES:

St Patrick's:

Mon - Fri 7.45am 10am
& 7.30pm

Sat: 10am

St Malachy's: Fri at 10am

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

St Patrick's:

Mon - Sat: 9.30am - 9.55am

Saturday: 12.30pm - 1.00pm
5.30pm - 6.00pm

Novena prayers will be said during the
7.30pm Mass on Monday.

OUR LADY'S GROTTTO, EDENDORK

Rosary prayed at 8.30pm every Thursday.
Everyone welcome!

CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP

Meets every Wednesday at 8pm in the
convent.

Baptisms

St Patrick's: 1st & 3rd Sunday of each
month at 1.30pm; Country Churches: 2nd
& 4th Sunday of each month after Mass.
We would ask those who wish to have
their child baptized to please give at least
two weeks' notice of the proposed date of
baptism. We welcome into our community
James Patrick Mulgrew.

RECENTLY DECEASED

Bridie O'Rourke, Hawthorne Crescent
Bridie Heagney

HALO YOUTH GROUP

meets **Saturdays** at **7pm** in the **Convent**.
.Everyone aged 15-29 is welcome to
attend.



Commemoration of the Faithful Departed

Commemoration Service in St Patrick's
Church on **Sun 17 Nov at 7.30pm** for all
our dead, especially those who have died
in our parish over the last year ended 31
October.

Coordinators of Eucharistic Adoration

Meeting on **Mon 18 Nov at 8pm** in the
Convent.

ST PIO PRAYER GROUP

Wed 20 Nov at 7.30pm in St Patrick's
Church. Rosary will be said before
Mass. All welcome.

St Joseph's Young Priests' Society

Meeting on **Mon 25 Nov at 8pm** in the
Convent. **Please note change of date.**
New members welcome.

PART - TÍR UÍ NÉILL

There will be a meeting of the Pastoral
Area Resource Team for the three Parishes
(Dungannon, Eglisk & Clonfeacle) in
Moy, (in the portacabin behind the former
Parochial Houses), this **Thurs 21 Nov at
8pm**.

ORATORY CLOSURE

**The Aras Mhuire Oratory will be
closed from 5pm on Fri 22 Nov until
6am on Mon 25 Nov.**

ST VINCENT DE PAUL

**The annual Church Gate Collection
will be taken up at all Masses next
weekend, 23/24 November (except
Killyman which will be on Sun 1
Dec).** Thank you for your continued
support.

SYRIA/PHILIPPINES COLLECTION

A collection by **Trócaire** to support the
**people of Syria and the relief effort in
the Philippines** will be taken up at all
Masses this **Sat 16/Sun 17 November**.
Your support will help to get food, water,
clothing, shelter, medical and psycho-
social supports to those most in need. **If
you wish to Gift Aid your donation,
envelopes are available at the back of St
Patrick's Church.**

FAMILY ADVENT RETREAT

Alliance of the Two Hearts. **Sat 23 and
Sun 24 Nov** in St John's Rest and Care
Centre, Knock Shrine. Led by Fr Edgardo
Arellano. Buses will travel from North
and South on **Sunday only** - €15 return.
For bus details
tel. Anne Lench 07734 562 102

CHANGE OF MASS TIME

As part of a series of events to mark their
Golden Jubilee, Killyman St Mary's
GFC are remembering all their deceased
members at a Mass in St Brigid's Church,
Killyman at **3pm on Sun 24 Nov**. On that
date there will be no Mass in Killyman at
the usual time of 11am.

'PULPIT EXCHANGE' FOR ADVENT

The clergy of the three parishes of the 'Tír
Uí Néill'; Pastoral Area, i.e. Dungannon,
Clonfeacle and Eglisk, have agreed a
'Pulpit Exchange' for the season of
Advent between the three parishes. The
clergy of Dungannon and Eglisk Parishes
(i.e. Dean Colum Curry, Fr Seamus White,
Fr Ryan McAleer and Fr Daniel Glocko of
Dungannon Parish and Fr Michael Toner of
Eglisk Parish) will celebrate the weekend
Masses for the four Sundays of Advent in
Clonfeacle Parish, while Fr Hughes and Fr
Connolly will celebrate Masses in Eglisk
and Dungannon for those Sundays.

DIVINE MERCY RETREAT

Day Retreat in Honour of Jesus the Divine
Mercy in Dromantine College, Newry, on
Sat 30 Nov. Main Speaker: Fr Cathal
Price, Divine Mercy Apostolate Dublin.
Price: £15.00. Booking essential tel. Liz
028 3026 5279 or Eileen 028 3026 8751
after 5pm. Tea/coffee will be provided,
but please bring a packed lunch with you.

PRO-LIFE MEETING

In light of recent developments, it is
almost inevitable that abortion clinics
will be fully operational in Tyrone within
the next decade. *How can we prevent
this from happening?* Internationally
renowned pro-life activist, Bernie Smyth
will speak on this issue at a meeting in
**Eglisk Parochial Hall on Fri 22 Nov
at 8pm**. It is vitally important that all
concerned citizens turn up for this event.
Our future depends on it!

THANK YOU

from Precious Life - On behalf of the
ONE OF US Campaign, Precious Life
thank everyone who signed the petition
and collected signatures, and helped make
it an outstanding success. We collected
almost 18,000 signatures towards the
total of 1.89 million collected across
Europe. For further information, please
contact Precious Life on 028 9027 8484
info@preciouslife.com

ADVENT RETREAT

'Jesus Christ is born' - Ards Friary Retreat
and Conference Centre, Creeslough,
Co. Donegal. **Sat 30 Nov (9.30am) - Sun 1
Dec (after lunch)**. Directed by Fr Kieran
Shorten OFM Capuchin. Cost: €85
Residential €60 Non Residential. Tel:
Ards Friary: 00353 74913 8909 or Email:
info@ardsfriary.ie

Collection Sunday 10 Nov

TOTAL: £4,065

Useful Phone Numbers

Samaritans: 3833 3555
ACCORD: 3833 4781
Child Line: 9032 7773
WAVE: 0800 337755
(Trauma Counselling) 0800 776600
CRUSE: 8778 4004
Domestic Violence: 9033 1818
St. Vincent de Paul: 8772 7323
Retrouvaille, supporting
troubled marriages: 028 9049 2777
Parents Advice Centre: 0808 8010722
Gamblers Anonymous: 028 71351329
Lourdes Office: 07511 047866
Aras Mhuire Bookshop: (028) 8772 6852
Niamh Louise Foundation: 07717 876037
Bereavement Support Group:
07857 108 988
Alcoholics Anonymous: 028 9043 4848
Al Anon Family Groups: 028 9068 2368
The Peace Factory: 028 8775 0009
Dungannon Youth Club: 028 8772 5138
Breakthru: 028 8775 3228

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