



# Parish News

## Sunday 15th May

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***The glory of God in St John's gospel is another word for his love.***

**We** have types of love, and for most of us we find it in our lasting friendships, our spouses, our partners, our family – those without whom life would be so much the poorer.

**Real** love transforms. Opens the heart more and more. We get out of ourselves in real love – caring, forgiving, getting over things. In all sincere and outgoing love between any two people, God is present. Love brings God alive in us. Not the love that is in name only and uses each other. But love that sees the other as more important than myself.

**We** say, 'love made him'. Parents say – 'I hope they find friends who will bring the best out of each other'. Mauriac writes- "To love someone is to see a miracle invisible to others." The example of Jesus can help us at times when it can be hard to see goodness even in those we love.

**Real** love heals. Only love makes the best out of the worst. In concentration camps the survivors were often those who had love to remember or go back to. Even when things go very badly in life, the forgiveness of love can help us move forward.



*Lord, help me to be truly grateful for love in my life.*



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**Congratulations to the children of our parish who made their First Holy Communion on Saturday and Sunday.**

**GAMBLERS ANONYMOUS:** Is gambling affecting your life? Perhaps we can help. Call us on 028 7135 1329.

**The tradition of dedicating the month of May to Mary, came about in the 13th century.** This month is the time when spring is at the height of its beauty. Spring is also connected with nature renewing itself. In her way, Mary gave new life to the world when she gave birth to our Saviour Jesus Christ. Check out the [Mary Booklet](#) - Meditating with Mary in the month of May.

### **Dates for the Diary**

**Friday 10th June, 7:30pm** St Columb's Anointing of the sick  
(St Peregrine relic)

**Sunday 12th June 6:00pm** Blessing of graves in Ardmore

**Sunday 19th June 3:00pm** Blessing of graves in Altnagelvin and Ballyoan cemeteries (subject to being confirmed by council)

**Derry Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes** 3rd to 8th July 2022, (ex Belfast) £689 pp sharing. Places still available: contact the Pilgrimage Office, 164 Bishop Street, Derry, tel 028 71260293 or email [derrypilgrim@outlook.com](mailto:derrypilgrim@outlook.com).

The **Catholic Chaplaincy** at Queen's University will celebrate its Golden Jubilee with a Gala Ball in Belfast City Hall, to take place on Friday 10th June at 7:00pm. Booking of Tickets available at this link [Golden Jubilee](#)

The **Annual Little Way Novena** in honour of St Thérèse of Lisieux Closing Ceremony will take place on Sunday (15th) May at 3:00 pm with the blessing of roses and candles

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In recognition of our Patron Saint and founder of Derry, St Columb's College welcome you to attend our final event in a year of celebrations – a **Formal Gala dinner in the City Hotel.**

The night will be an opportunity to celebrate our faith, our island and the talents of our pupils, past and present. All-Ireland winning manager and special guest, **Mickey Harte**, will deliver a speech on his own witness and faith journey

**A drinks reception and 3 course meal is included as well as the guarantee of a great night's entertainment.**

**DATE – Friday 10<sup>th</sup> June VENUE – The City Hotel**

**TICKETS - £40 PER HEAD** (booking of tables can be arranged)

*To purchase tickets directly simply follow the Qr code or send your money AND name of your/ your guests to the PayPal [columba1500@stcolumbscollege.org](mailto:columba1500@stcolumbscollege.org)*





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### Our Parish Mass Schedule

#### Weekday schedule Monday to Friday

09.15am Immaculate Conception  
10:00am St Columb's,  
11:00am St Oliver Plunkett  
11:00am St Mary's Oratory (**Wednesday only**)  
07:30pm St Columb's

#### Saturday Morning

10:00am St Columb's  
11:00am Immaculate Conception

#### Weekend schedule Vigils

06:00pm Immaculate Conception  
06:00pm St Oliver Plunkett  
07:00pm St Columb's  
08:00pm Immaculate Conception

#### Morning (Sunday)

09:15am St Mary's Oratory  
10:15am Immaculate Conception  
10:00am St Columb's  
11:15am St Oliver Plunkett  
12:15pm Immaculate Conception

#### Evening (Sunday)

12:30pm St Columb's  
06:00pm St Columb's

The [full schedule](#) is available on the parish website

*All Liturgies are streamed on [www.youtube.com/watersideparish](http://www.youtube.com/watersideparish)*

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### Rest in Peace

#### Deaths:

Elaine Duddy, Grovemount Park, Terry Ward, Clonmeen Drive,  
Mark McLaughlin, Iveagh Park, Prehen

#### Anniversaries:

Mary Morrison, Johnson Joseph, Tony Healy, John Carlin,  
Maureen Baxter, Attracta McChrystal, Jane Gillespie, Kathleen Leitch,  
Mary McGinley, Susan Crossan, Lizzie Shiels

### A Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the  
Most Holy Sacrament.

I love You above all things,

and I desire to receive You into my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment receive You  
sacramentally,

come at least spiritually into my heart.

I embrace You as if You were already there  
and unite myself wholly to You.

Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.



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