



Parish News

Sunday 19th June

Corpus Christi

You might expect that on a feast to commemorate the Eucharist we would be reading a text describing the last supper. However, since the last days of Jesus' life were vividly recalled during Holy Week, we are now invited to reflect upon the meaning of the events and that is why today we are considering the miracle of the loaves and fishes. This was a highly symbolic act on the part of Jesus because, not only does it echo the Old Testament miracle of the manna in the wilderness, it also indicates Jesus' desire to nourish his followers as they journey with him on the road of faith. The Eucharist is precisely that, and every time we gather for it we recognise that we are pilgrims in need of the sustenance that only God can give.



Reflection

When Jesus said '*do this in memory of me*' it is clear that he was not only referring to his actions relating to the bread and wine. He was asking his followers to live out this symbol of his life giving love. This is made very clear in the fourth gospel where, instead of the Passover meal, John reports that Jesus knelt down and washed the feet of his disciples and afterwards told them that they must do the same.

The Eucharist as a sacrifice and meal involves us not simply in a prayerful ritual but also commits us to a way of relating to each other. If we are truly devoted to the Lord's presence in Holy Communion then we will also be truly devoted to his presence in the community, especially in those who are most in need.



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The Eucharistic Presence

The Eucharist is the heart of the Church. Where Eucharistic life flourishes, there the life of the church will blossom. Pope Saint John Paul II

Free Video resources on the Real Presence - [Free learning resources](#)

Corpus Christi Holy Hour tomorrow at 6:00pm at Church of the Immaculate Conception , trench road

Diocesan phase of the Universal Synod:

Our Parish response and the Diocesan response (synthesis - responses made from all the parishes of the Derry diocese) is now available to view. We want to take this opportunity to thank all those who contributed in any way to this initial phase. [Our parish and diocesan response](#)

Dates for the Diary : Cemetery Sundays

Sunday 19th June 3:00pm Blessing of graves in Altnagelvin and Ballyoan

Sunday 26th June 6:00pm Blessing of graves in City Cemetery

Bishop Daly Exhibition: St Eugene's Cathedral is holding an exhibition on the life of Bishop Edward Daly in August. As part of the exhibition, we are currently looking for photographs of his time in ministry. In particular, we are looking for photographs from his time as chaplain to Foyle Hospice, Pilgrimages which he led and events in St Columb's Hall. If you have any photos that fit these themes, contact Emmet Thompson at St Eugene's Cathedral on 028 71262894 or 02871365712 or email emmet.thompson@derrydiocese.org

The Net Newspaper, the monthly publication sharing the fruits of the faith in our parish communities within the Diocese of Derry and beyond, is now available to view at <https://www.derrydiocese.org/news/the-net-may-2022>



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LOUGH DERG THREE DAY PILGRIMAGE runs from Wednesday 1 June until 15 August (Saturday 13 Aug is the final day to begin the Pilgrimage). Cost €80. Booking advised. Concessions available for students, seniors and groups. All booking information, including information on organised parish groups, available at www.loughderg.org, email info@loughderg.org or telephone 0(0353) 71 9861518.

Diploma / Higher Diploma in Pastoral Theology: for those who may be interested in a better understanding of the liturgical life of the Church or those interested in training to be involved with Liturgy at a parish and diocesan level. [Read More..](#)

Host families wanted for 13 to 17 year old Spanish students for the month of July. Host families must have children in this age group. Generous rates paid. For further information please call 08740 88282.

Are you living in Ireland undocumented? Do you know someone who may be an undocumented migrant? Undocumented people can apply for a legal status now. Applications for the new government undocumented scheme are open until 31 July. Don't miss this life changing opportunity. To check your eligibility and get support to apply visit the Migrants Rights Centre Ireland website www.mrci.ie or email info@mrci.ie or contact 083-0755387.



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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



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REST IN PEACE

Deaths:

Ann Johnston, Knockwellan Park, Isabella Goddard, Shearwater Way

Anniversaries:

George Keddy, Etta Smith, Pamela Finley, Rosaleen Ward,
Sean Lynch, Joseph McConomy, Bridget Brown, Mickey Lynch,
William and Jean Doran, James McNulty, Gerard Callan,
Geraldine McCorkell, John Brown, Mary K O'Kane, George Crumley

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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