



Parish News

Sunday 7th August

You too must stand ready

When you go away and want someone to mind the house, you plan well and invest in someone safe. We often need that. Who will monitor the alarm and keep an eye on the house?

Same with Jesus... the people of the gospel are the ones who look after his business while he is away! God invests in us. He wants us to do our best in minding his house. His community and Church are the people to whom he entrusts his life's work.

We spread the kingdom in simple ways every day - care, hospitality, work for justice, compassion, with the gifts and talents we have. He has given us the gifts - we are to use them in his service. We do our best and God, the architect, is continually building with us.

He is the extra presence around in his Spirit. So when we do things in his service, he is the inspirer. But he leaves a lot to us.

And then when in his service he feeds us. He works with us and for us. The slave/master relationship is turned upside down. People would never expect that the master would serve the meal - like at the washing of the feet. We are nourished and renewed.

There is a need now for volunteer help within the Church -we need it now and will in the future. Formation is needed for people who can hand on faith when the parish may be called onto do more, and to do what the Catholic school has done until now.

The kingdom is spread through the work of the Church, and we are this Church, this body of Christ. We are the true blessed sacraments of Jesus Christ.



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Bishop Daly. A Man for All Seasons (Monday 8th August—Sunday 14th August) This exhibition has been compiled to celebrate the life, influence, work and legacy of Bishop Edward Daly. Location is St. Eugene's Cathedral Hall, Infirmary Road, Derry. Sunday to Saturday 10.30am – 4pm, Sunday 14th 10.30am-2.00pm. [How to get there](#)

WORLD YOUTH DAY PILGRIMAGE - LISBON 2023 The Diocese of Derry is inviting any young person who is over 18 or will be 18 by July 2023 to join us on Pilgrimage to Lisbon for World Youth Day. World Youth Day (WYD) will take place in August 2023. We have limited space so signing up is essential. You can register your interest on the derrydiocese.org website or on the @derryyouth Facebook page. Any questions - please email Lizzie Rea, Youth Coordinator at: lizzie.rea@derrydiocese.org. [WYD2023](#)

The Diocesan Priesthood. "Come & See" retreat from 26th-28th August. If you are considering such a vocation, speak to Fr Pat O'Hagan (Diocesan Vocations Director), pgoh2111@gmail.com or email the National Vocations Office: info@vocations.ie

The Youth 2000 Summer Festival: Join over 1000 young people between 16 and 35 this August at the Youth 2000 Summer Festival. The festival takes place in Clongowes Wood College, Clane, Co Kildare from Thursday 11th August to Sunday 14th August 2022. For more information [Summer Festival](#)

Save the date – **Derry Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine:** Saturday 24th September 2022, led by Bishop Donal McKeown. Stations of the Cross at 2:00pm followed by Mass at 3:00pm, with Sacrament of the Sick. Buses will travel from a variety of pick-up points. Contact Fr Patrick Lagan on 028 7126 2894 or email the parish office at cathedral@derrydiocese.org

Benburb Priory will host a day conference on 'The Meaning Crisis, Modernity, and the Christian Way': A Benburb Priory Conference, (rise in suicides, depression, and more) and the Christian way, today, on Friday 2nd September. The conference will feature leading Christian thinkers, including Paul Kingsnorth, Paul Vander Klay, and Fr Calvin Robinson. Tickets are available at Benburbpriory.com. Cost: £34.99. All are welcome.



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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:

Anniversaries:

Elizabeth Lynch, Patrick Furey, Evelyn Moore, Sean and Elizabeth Costello, George Hartsell, Josephine McGrath, George Killen, Kathleen Johnston, Alice Brown, James McDaid, Rose McDonald, Marjorie Coyle, Pat Aquino, Michael Gallagher, Margaret Toland, Margaret Hopkins, James Devine, Patricia O'Hara, William McGonigle, Teresa Gutrie, Bridget McKinney, Gerald Wilson

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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