



Parish News

Sunday 14th August

Disturbing love and the warmth of love

Fire is frightening; it can burn up a city. Controlled it is warming: in control in a grate; and it also warms the heart, when we sit back, watch the flames and chat, think or pray. Jesus came to bring fire on the earth. His is the warmth of love and companionship: when we know we can go to him just as we are, and enjoy the intimacy of his friendship - the friend who is always offering the gift of his heart to each of us.



The warmth of Jesus brings comfort and hope to the world when we live in isolation from each other, lack of friendship and hope. When we lack the reconciliation and justice that makes life possible among us, then the warmth of God's love for all can inflame our coldness.

There is also the fire that disturbs; love challenges as well as comforts. The flame of God can be frightening in that it demands a world of justice, peace and reconciliation. The fire of this love is the fire that also warms and comforts.

The flame of God is the Holy Spirit. Jesus comes to bring all sorts of fire to the world, and to send the Spirit of comfort, justice, reconciliation and hope. The message of Jesus may divide us, and if it does, the love of Jesus can unite us, for love is the most powerful gift of Jesus.

A saying has it — he has come to afflict the comfortable and comfort the afflicted.

*Holy Spirit, flame of God, hover over each of us
as you did for the followers of Jesus
at the first Pentecost.*



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Monday 15th August is a Holy Day of Obligation

The Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Masses :

Sunday 14th August (Vigil Sunday evening)

St Columb's Church 06:00pm

Monday 15th August

St Columb's Church 10:00am and 7:30pm

Immaculate Conception 09:15am and 6:00pm

Oratory (Newbuildings) 11:00am

St Oliver Plunkett 11:00am

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.

Foyle Hospice Volunteer Minibus Drivers Needed; This role will involve transporting patients to and from their homes to our Day Hospice. We are looking for someone who has a friendly and compassionate nature and can spare a few hours each week. The role will also require you to hold Category D1 on your driving licence and an Enhanced Access NI Check will be necessary. If you think this is something which interest you or would like more information, please get in touch with Rachael Osbourne, Volunteer Co-Ordinator, (028) 71351010 or email rachael@foylehospice.com.

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



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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:

Gerald Doherty, Campion Court

Anniversaries:

Kathy McCauley, Annie Callaghan, Dan Clarke, Jim Quigley, Annie Quigley, Ethna McGrath, James Elliott, James Ferry, Elizabeth Duddy, Mickey and Julie McLaughlin, Rosemary Gallagher, John McPhillips, Jimmy McPhillips, Tommy McNaught, John Monaghan, Peter Mallett, Rose McDonald, Celine Friel

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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