



PARISHES OF GLENDELMOTT & STRATHFOYLE

PARISH BULLETIN

SUNDAY 13th NOVEMBER 2022

33rd Sunday in Church's year

STAND READY

Our Gospel this weekend is about reading the signs of the times. Jesus describes the end times, when the Messiah will come in final judgement, and tells his disciples to watch out for it. He uses the fig tree as an image of how to read the signs of the times. Unlike most trees in Israel the fig tree is not evergreen. It like so many trees in our parts it loses its leaves in autumn and puts on new ones in late spring. When people see new leaves they know that summer is not far away.

Jesus reminds us of the need to be alert, wide awake, stand ready. There are two aspects to reading the signs of the times. The first is to be attentive to what is happening in the world around us and secondly to be prepared for our end because we do not know the day or the hour.

Masses for the deceased - Masses for those who have been buried from churches in our parish over the past year will be celebrated as follows:

Saturday 19th November in St Columb's Church at 7pm

Saturday 19th November in St Oliver Plunkett Strathfoyle at 6pm

Sunday 20th November in Immaculate Conception Church at 10.15am

The names of those who have died in the past year will be read out and a family member will be invited to take a candle home in memory of their loved one(s). Family members are invited to attend or join us on the parish YouTube.

Safeguarding meeting – The meeting will be held in the Parish Hall at Malvern Terrace on **Monday 21st November at 8pm – after evening Mass**. All people who are involved in bringing communion to the sick or visiting homes or working with young people are asked to attend this information evening.

Sponsored Cycle – I thank the many people who have donated so generously to the cycle and can say that **£8,650.00** has been raised.

40 HOURS ADORATION – The annual 40 hours adoration will begin, next Sunday after the **12.30 Mass on Sunday 20th November** – the Feast of Christ the King.

Christmas Hamper Appeal 2022 – The parish Pope John Paul II Award Group would like to appeal for donations for their Christmas Hampers. Please drop donations into any of the Sacristies or the Parish Office in Chapel Road

The Liturgy Team is holding a post-Covid get-together for all Readers of the Word and Eucharistic Ministers on Saturday 19th November at 10:30am in the Parish Hall. It will last 1-1/2 hours and will be a chance to meet again in God's presence and reflect on our Ministries in the run up to Advent.

The Trench Road Folk Group have resumed singing at 10.15am Sunday Mass. New and returning members welcome (P7 upwards and adults). If you are willing to commit, come to our practice in the Malvern Terrace Hall on Wednesdays at 7.00pm, or talk to us after Mass on Sunday.

Altar servers – now that Covid restrictions have been relaxed we are hoping to get new Altar servers. Girls and boys of P5 upwards welcome. Please leave names at parish office or one of the priests.

Baptisms – We welcome to the family of God: **Noah Mark McLaughlin**, Ivy Mead; **Regan Cal Rogan-Colquhoun**, Sevenoaks Crescent; **Rossa Ryan Coyle**, Cormkill Place; **Callum Connor Duddy**, Gelvin Gardens; **Naoise Gabriel Durkan**, Butler's Wharf

Deaths – We extend our sympathy and prayers to the family of: **Frank Healy**, Dungiven Road.

Anniversaries – **William McLaughlin, Joanne McCauley, Kathleen Miller, Sammy Donaghey, Margaret Doran, Patrick Murray, Brendan Gibbons, Jack Finlay, Anne Kelly, Margaret Kelly, Joseph Cooke, Dorothy Gillespie, Joseph Elliott, Eithne Logue, Patsy Quinn, Christopher Gibbons, Fr Harry Quigg, Kitty McFadden, Paul McFadden, Paddy Dillon, Dr Daniel Kelly, Bernadette O'Doherty, Nellie Slevin, Sally McFeely, Rosaleen Ward.**

Grant them, O Lord, we pray, and all who sleep in Christ, a place of refreshment, light and peace.

Collections for last week: Glendermott: £3,560.00 Strathfoyle: £620.00
Second Collection this weekend for Retired Priests

TOTUS TUUS SCRIPTURE CONFERENCE 2022 – LIVE ON RADIO MARIA IRELAND FROM 2PM ON SATURDAY 19TH NOVEMBER. Radio Maria Ireland can be listened

to by downloading the Radio Maria Ireland APP, Saorview Channel 210 or listen live at (01)4373277

Vocations – Jesus asks us to pray for Vocations - "Ask the Lord of the harvest to send labourers into His harvest." We pray that men from this parish (name your parish here) and from the diocese of Derry will answer God's call to them to minister to the people and parishes of the diocese.

Anyone interested in serving the diocese of Derry as a priest should contact their local priest(s) and/or the diocesan Vocations Director, Fr Pat O'Hagan, PP, Bellaghy, at pgoh2111@gmail.com

Trócaire is looking for people to join our team of Christmas fundraisers to help respond to the urgent need of poor communities around the world, especially the millions of people affected by the hunger crisis in East Africa. If you would like to find out more about what you can do to help now or over the Advent and Christmas period, then please email Mark McMahon at infol@trocaire.org or call 028 9090 8030.

Pledge for November - Many people offer spiritual support to a relation who is struggling because of alcohol or an addiction problem. Parishioners who wish to take a short-term Pioneer pledge during the month of the Holy Souls are invited to visit www.pioneers.ie/pray.

FOSTERING - This autumn, help us spread the word about Fostering We need more foster carers now, right across Northern Ireland. Help us get the message out by talking to your family, friends and work colleagues. There are various types of foster care available to suit different lifestyles and family commitments. Could you foster? T: 0800 0720 137 W: adoptionandfostercare.hscni.net

Lumen Christi College musical, "Cinderella" will be held on Wednesday 30th November, Thursday 1st & Friday 2nd December at 7.30pm. Tickets are available from the College Reception: Adults £12; Concession £9; Family (2 adults, 2 children) £40.

Safeguarding - If you have any concerns with regard to Safeguarding children or adults in need of protection within the Church please contact Marie Gormley, the Diocesan Designated Liaison Person (DLP) at 07596 500 793 or at the Safeguarding Office, Diocesan Pastoral Centre, 164 Bishop Street, Derry, BT48 6UJ or PSNI (Police Service of Northern Ireland) 101 or Social Services: Duty Social Worker, Gateway Services, Western HSC Trust, 71314090

MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday

St Columb's Church	10am, 12:30pm, 6pm
Immaculate Conception	10:15am & 12:15pm
St Oliver Plunkett	11:15am
St Mary's Oratory	9:15am

Monday - Friday

St Columb's Church	10am, 7:30pm
Immaculate Conception	9.15am
St Oliver Plunkett	11am
(11am mass in St Mary's Oratory on Wednesdays)	

Saturday

St Columb's Church	10am, 7pm (Sunday Vigil)
Immaculate Conception	11am, 6pm (Sunday Vigil), 8pm (Hospital Mass)
St Oliver Plunkett	6pm (Sunday Vigil)

Confessions:

St Columb's – Saturday after 10am Mass, Friday 5-6pm during Adoration and Monday – Thursday at 7pm before evening Mass

Immaculate Conception – after 11am Mass every Saturday and at 5.30pm before evening Mass on a Saturday

St Oliver Plunkett – Every Saturday 5.30pm before the Vigil Mass

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