PRAYER FOR THE CANONISATION OF BLESSED CARLO ACUTIS

O God, our Father, thank you for giving us Carlo, model of life for young people and a message of love for all. You made him fall in love with your Son, Jesus, making of the Eucharist his "highway to Heaven". You gave him Mary, as beloved Mother, and with the Rosary you made him sing the praises of her tenderness. Accept his prayer for us. Attend especially to the poor, whom he loved and helped. Also grant me, through his intercession, the grace I need And fulfil our joy, by placing Carlo among the saints of your Holy Church, that his smile may shine again for us for the glory of your name. Amen.

"LAVABO ... MANUS MEAS" - I will wash my hands (Ps.26:6)

At the side of the altar the priest washes his hands before offering the sacrificial gifts of bread and wine which will soon be transubstantiated into Christ's very body and blood - Christ who will soon dwell within us. Jesus, the one, true High Priest, will accomplish this through the priest's hands. The washing of his hands expressly indicates the purity of heart required before a person draws near to God's presence in the sanctuary - and before those hands will touch, offer and dispense that most holy, spotless and sacrificial victim which the laity will receive in Holy Communion. He utters the words of David (Ps.51:2)

"Wash me, O Lord, from my iniquity; and cleanse me from my sin."

He will "wash his hands in innocence" (Ps.26:6) and return to the centre of the altar with his hands (those privileged hands within which the intention and power and activity of a man are concentrated) purified in such a way as to publicly symbolise the "interior purification and cleansing of the whole man from all that sullies heart and soul." In the Old Testament (Ex.29:4) priests had to undergo ritual washings before they could perform their duties in the sanctuary; and still yet, in some versions of the Jewish Seder service, all present are invited to wash their hands as a part of the ritual preparation before partaking of the Passover meal; and in our Roman Catholic rite, this washing of the hands has now taken on the added "symbolic" meaning of one's baptismal purification by water which, when consciously presented, can encourage the congregation to appreciate the connection between the purifying waters of Baptism and the celebration of the Eucharist. And there is a further suggestion made by Bishop Fulton Sheen that the holy water font from which people bless themselves as they enter through the chapel door recalls, anticipates and reflects the baptismal purification of both laity and priest when, after his ordained hands are washed, he makes this appeal:

"Pray, brothers and sisters, that **my** sacrifice and **yours** may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father."

The people respond with a prayer that recognises how both sacrifices (Christ's and their own) will be united and offered to the Father through the "pure" hands of the celebrant. The faithful at Mass offer the sacrifice "not only by the hands of the priest but also, to a certain extent, in union with him." (Pious XII).

(Based on - Sheen, Sri, Smolarski, GIRM, Liturgical Calendar)

LIMAVADY PARISH BULLETIN

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

11 October 2020

FOR THE		<u>GICAL PROGRAMME</u> AY 12 OCTOBER - SUNDAY 18 OCTOBER
Monday - Friday	10 am	Mass in Christ the King Church Also streamed on You Tube
Friday only	6 pm	Mass streamed on You Tube from St Mary's Church
Saturday	6 pm	Vigil Mass - Sunday in Ordinary Time in Christ the King Church (Also streamed on You Tube)
Sunday Mass Times	9 am 10.30 am 12 noon	Mass in Christ the King Church Mass in Christ the King Church (Also streamed on You Tube) Mass in Christ the King Church
Sunday 11 October & Sunday 18 October	from 3 pm - Also on both	e Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 6 pm in Christ the King Church. 1 Sundays there will be Confessions in Christ the King
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Deaths

We extend our sympathy to the family and friends of Claire Cafferkey, 9 Church Street, Limavady Shaun McDermott, 25 Caman Park, Ballykelly Peter Cooke, Riverview, Ballykelly Marie Meehan, Abercorn Road, Derry who died recently

Month's Mind Mass

The Month's Mind Mass for **Vincent O'Kane** will be celebrated on Wednesday 14 October at 10 am in Christ the King Church.

First Anniversary Masses

The First Anniversary Mass for **Anne O'Kane** will be celebrated on Wednesday 14 October at 10 am in Christ the King Church.

Anniversaries

Anne O'Kane, Fidelma & Brendan McLaughlin, Thomas Boyd, James O'Neill, Joan Clarke, Sarah Malone, Siobhan Farquharson, Maurice Mayell, Patrick Kavanagh, Jimmy Cooke, Frank Tierney, Francis McKeegan, Kathleen McGillion, Anthony Kerr, William McConway, Eugene Begley, Hannah McCorriston, Francis Gerald McVeigh, Tommy Kane, Gerard Kelly

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE

WEEKLY ENVELOPE COLLECTION

Envelopes can be returned at the following places:

- At any of the Masses at Christ the King Church
- St Mary's Church
- Mgr McCanny's House
- Parochial House St Finlough's

If you wish to set up a Standing Order, please contact the parish office - 028 777 62522 between 9 am - 1 pm. Remember to write your name on the Standing Order Form. Once again many thanks for your patience, kindness and generosity.

WEEKLY COLLECTION Sunday 4 October - £3,600.00

THE 2020 ROSARY FOR LIFE AND FAITH will be held on Benone Strand at 2.15 pm on Sunday 11 October. This year we will gather observing social distancing regulations. Please join us in this critical year for life and faith worldwide. All welcome. For details phone 07730330028.

HOPE IN A TIME OF PANDEMIC Lecture by Dr Sr Gemma Simmonds CJ, theologian and spiritual director hosted by Drumalis Retreat Centre, Larne, via Zoom, at 7 pm on Thursday 22 October. This is the first Lecture in the Elizabeth Prout (Foundress of the Cross & Passion) Bicentenary Series. Suggested donation £10. For details or to book a place, please contact Drumalis - 028 28276455 / 28272196 (during office hours Mon - Fri, 9 am - 5 pm) or email katrina@drumalis.co.uk

DROMANTINE RETREAT CENTRE intends to host the following events in November: **'Broken Open':** How difficult times can help us grow on Mon 2 Nov 9.30 am - Tues 3 Nov 5 pm. Cost £115. **'Loss and Recovery':** This seminar will explore loss in its many facets on Sat 14 Nov 9.30 am - 5 pm. Cost £35. To book or for further enquiries Tel: 028 3082 1964 or email sma.dromantine@sma.ie.

<u>PARISH DRAW</u> The next draw will take place on Monday 26 October at 8.00 pm in Bethany Community Centre. Collection from 6.00 pm - 8.00 pm in Bethany Community Centre.

<u>**THE NET</u>** The October edition of the Net is now available online on the diocesan website, www.derrydiocese.org/news/the-net-october-2020.</u>

PLEASE REMEMBER ST VINCENT DE PAUL RED BOX Helpline No: 7512360388

Month's Mind Masses and Anniversary Masses

To arrange Anniversaries, Month's Mind Masses or First Anniversary Masses, please contact Janet. Tel: Parish Office - 028 777 62522 between 9.00 am - 1.00 pm

<u>Baptisms</u>

To arrange a Baptism, please contact Janet. Tel: Parish Office - 028 777 62522 between 9.00 am - 1.00 pm.

Telephone Numbers

Mgr McCanny Fr Baker Parish Office 028 777 29759 028 777 64409 028 777 62522 (Monday - Friday: 9.00 am - 1.00 pm) Email: parishoflimavady@btinternet.com Website: www.limavadyparish.org

Facebook: facebook.com/limparish

Bulletin Notices

All notices should be emailed to: parishoflimavady@btinternet.com or left in the parish office before a Wednesday at 1 pm.

ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus, I believe that you desire to make your home within me and that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament of the altar. I love you above all things, and I desire to receive you in my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally, come spiritually into my heart. I embrace your love as if you were already there, and I unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.

PRAYER FOR THE CHILD IN THE WOMB

Lord Jesus, you are the source and lover of life. Reawaken in us respect for every human life. Help us to see in each child the marvellous work of our Creator. Open our hearts to welcome every child as a unique and wonderful gift. Guide the work of doctors, nurses and midwives. May the life of a mother and her baby in the womb be equally cherished and respected. Help those who make our laws to uphold the uniqueness and sacredness of every human life. from the first moment of conception to natural death. Give us wisdom and generosity to build a society that cares for all. Together with Mary, your Mother, in whose womb vou took on our human nature. Help us to choose life in every decision we take. We ask this in the joyful hope of eternal life with you, and in the communion of the Blessed Trinity. Amen.