

DECEMBER DIARY

Sunday 15 December	Carol Service St Mary's Church	6.00 pm
Monday 16 December	Penitential Service St Finlough's Church	7.00 pm
Tuesday 17 December	Walking Carol Service	7.00 pm
Wednesday 18 December	Penitential Service Christ the King Church	7.00 pm
Sunday 22 December	Exposition & Confessions Christ the King Church	3.00 pm – 5.00 pm
Tuesday 24 December	Christmas Eve Vigil Masses as follows: St Mary's Church Christ the King Church St Finlough's Church	4.30 pm 4.30 pm, 6.30 pm, 9.00 pm 9.00 pm
Wednesday 25 December	Christmas Day Masses as follows: Christ the King Church St Mary's Church	9.00 am, 12.00 noon 10.30 am

THE PARISH DRAW The next draw takes place on Monday 16 December at 7.30 pm in Bethany Community Centre. Collection times from 6.00 pm - 7.30 pm.

IRISH PILGRIMAGE TRUST: EASTER 2025 PILGRIMAGE Applications are invited from young people with additional social, emotional, physical and learning needs aged 11 - 30 years who are interested in travelling as guests to Lourdes with the Irish Pilgrimage Trust. Applications are also sought for carers aged 18+ who would be interested in accompanying guests on the trip. The trip is free for guests as volunteers complete fundraising and carers pay their own fare.

Guests complete online application at <https://form.jotform.com/212932685135054>.

Carers applications at <https://form.jotform.com/211793062891056>.

For more information, visit <https://www.irishpilgrimagetrust.com> or contact Sian at 00353 7960211352.

NI CANCER PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES Saturday 10 May - Thursday 15 May 2025. Cost £859 (reduction for Cancer patients) For details and booking form contact: Mrs Jean Clarke, 67 Ballynahinch Road, Carryduff, Belfast BT8 8DL or call 07874688388 or email: mail@nicancerpilgrimage.org.uk.

ST FINLOUGH'S HALL Annual Christmas Draw: 1st Prize: £500 home heating oil; 2nd Prize: £200 Tesco voucher; 3rd Prize: £200 McAtamney's voucher; 4th Prize: £100 Tesco voucher. Tickets £5 or 5 for £20. Contact 07739596794 for tickets. Also available from Credit Union Ballykelly. **Bingo** on 20 December (last bingo of this year).

LORETO COLLEGE, COLERAINE CAROL SERVICE on Tues 17 Dec at 7 pm. Free admission.

MARY'S MEALS All donations made to our 'Double The Love Appeal' are being match, up to £900,00.

DERRY DIOCESAN TRUST VACANCIES Parish of Buncrana - Administrative Assistant 16 hours per week. 1 year fixed term contract with possibility of extension. Closing date: no later than 4.30 pm on Wednesday 18 December 2024.

Parish of Fahan - Administrative Assistant 16 hours per week. 1 year fixed term contract with possibility of extension. Closing date: no later than 4.30 pm on Wednesday 18 December 2024.

For job descriptions and application packs please contact the Diocesan Office on 028 71 262302 or email: recruitment@derrydiocese.org.

Completed applications must be returned to Personnel, Bishop's House, St Eugene's Cathedral, Francis Street, Derry BT48 9AP or via email to recruitment@derrydiocese.org.

Derry Diocese is an Equal Opportunities Employer. We welcome applications from all men and women and from members of all communities.

LIMAVADY PARISH BULLETIN

3rd Sunday of Advent

15 December 2024

LITURGICAL PROGRAMME FOR WEEK COMMENCING 16 DECEMBER

Monday 16 - Fri 20 December	10.00 am	Mass: Christ the King Church (streamed)
Saturday 21 December	4.30 pm	Vigil Mass for Fourth Sunday of Advent Christ the King Church (streamed)
	6.00 pm	Vigil Mass for Fourth Sunday of Advent St Finlough's Church (streamed)
Sunday 22 December	9.00 am	Mass: Christ the King Church
	10.30 am	Mass: St Mary's Church (streamed)
	12.00 noon	Mass: Christ the King Church

Readings for Fourth Sunday of Advent

**Mic 5:1-4. Ps 79:2-3, 15-16, 18-19, R/ v 4.
Heb 10:5-10. Lk 1:39-44.**

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 Monday - Friday.

Baptisms

To arrange a Baptism, you **MUST** complete a Baptism Card in the Parish Office.
Call at the Parish Office between 9.00 am - 1.00 pm Monday - Friday.

Parish Bulletin

The bulletin is available online. Visit: Website: www.limavadyparish.org
All notices should be emailed to: parishoflimavady@btinternet.com
or left in the post box outside the parish office before Wednesday at 1 pm.

Telephone Numbers

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

ST MARY'S PARISH

SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN AND VULNERABLE ADULTS

Please refer to www.derrydiocese.org for Safeguarding Policy and Procedures
Code of Behaviour, Whistle Blowing Policy, Complaints Procedure

In these difficult times please remember the SVP Red Box Helpline 07512360388

Deaths

We extend our sympathy to the family and friends of
Bernadette McLaughlin, 2 Rosseden Drive, Limavady
who died recently

Month's Mind Masses

The Month's Mind Mass for **Annie McGill** will be celebrated on
Sunday 15 December at 9.00 am in Christ the King Church.
The Month's Mind Mass for **Brian (Sleepy) Mullan** will be celebrated on
Saturday 21 December at 4.30 pm in Christ the King Church.
The Month's Mind Mass for **Paddy Canning** will be celebrated on
Saturday 21 December at 6.00 pm in St Finlough's Church.

Anniversaries

Tony Sweeney, Dessie Doherty, Alice Lennon, Kathleen Doherty, Colette Blake, Patrick Harron,
John Donaghy, Helen McDonald, Greta Duffy, Barney O'Kane, James Moore, Catherine Boucher,
Brendan Moore, James Kelly, Eamonn O'Kane, Claire McMullan, Paul McElhinney, Patrick &
Isobel McDermott, Dan McGuigan, George Cole, Oliver Doherty

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE

BAPTISMS

Eunan Michael Forrest, Ruari Joseph Allen

WEEKLY ENVELOPE COLLECTION

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 and envelope number on the Standing Order Form.

WEEKLY COLLECTION Sunday 8 December: £4,115.00

CAROL SERVICE The Parish Carol Service takes place on Sunday 15 December at 6.00 pm in St
Mary's Church. Join us afterwards for mulled wine, tea and coffee in Bethany. Any donations of mince
pies or other Christmas Fare would be gratefully received. Bethany will be open from 5.00 pm.

ROSARY ON BENONE BEACH at 3.00 pm on Sunday 15 December. All welcome.

VOCATIONS SOCIETY OF ST JOSEPH The next meet of the Society will be held after 10.00 am
Mass and the Rosary on Tuesday 17 December in Christ the King conference room. May the Lord
inspire many more men to answer His call to serve the people of this diocese as priests.

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION We are going to return to visiting the
Nursing Homes on Christmas Day. We are very grateful to those who have already volunteered for this
role. We still need the help of four more Ministers (you would be on rota three months of the year).
Retired Ministers are also welcome. Contact Mary on 07971171249.

LIMAVADY PARISH MUSIC GROUP APPEAL FOR MORE MEMBERS Music plays a very
important part in the Mass. It helps people to pray and feel closer to God and one another. Musicians
welcome and singers much in need - you DON'T have to be able to read music or be 'pitch perfect'. If
you would like to come along, please speak to any choir member or have a chat with Clare Tel:
07875186293 or Gregory Tel: 07746677164.

ADVENT TALKS "Connecting Luke's Gospel to the Old Testament" from 6.30 pm - 7.30 pm on
Monday 16 December in the chapter room above St Mary's Church. For more information ring
Seamus on 07729355068.

ADVENT COURSES FOR YOUNG PEOPLE The youth department of the Catechetical Centre, in
conjunction with Youth Link NI, will be delivering a four-week course for Advent in Cathedral Hall,
Derry City on Monday 16 December from 6.00 pm - 7.30 pm and in Maghera Pastoral Centre on
Thursday 19 December from 6 pm - 7.30 pm for young people, including those doing the JPII Award
this year. For details contact Lizzie Rea on 028 71269090.

SVP CHRISTMAS CARDS now available in the parish office and Gormley Pharmacy.

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION FOR CHRISTMAS EVE/DAY

St Mary's	4.30 pm Vigil:	Bronagh Blair, Graeme Hartin, Tony Glendinning
	10.30 am:	Mary Lennon, James McCann, Julie Ann Burns
Christ the King	4.30 pm Vigil:	Catherine Campbell, Mark Cafferkey, Angela Hamilton, Cathy Mallon, Gerry McNicholl
	6.30 pm Vigil:	Nyomie Kergan, Angela McClarey, Noel McClarey, Leo McCloskey, Mary McDermott
	9.00 pm Vigil:	Maureen Diamond, Anne McCambridge, John McCloskey, Fiona Mullan, Patricia Somers
	9.00 am:	George O'Doherty, Martin McLaughlin, Mark McLaughlin
	12.00 noon:	Ronan Curley, Kate McQuillan, Liam O'Kane
St Finlough's	9.00 pm Vigil:	Tracey McIvor, Eamon McIvor

READERS FOR CHRISTMAS EVE/CHRISTMAS DAY

St Mary's	4.30 pm Vigil	Shirley Kerr
	10.30 am	Grammar School
Christ the King	4.30 pm Vigil	Nuala Thompson
	6.30 pm Vigil	Adam Higgins
	9.00 pm Vigil	Veronica Herron
	9.00 am	Jim Loughrey
	12.00 noon	Oran Tosh
St Finlough's	9.00 pm Vigil	Martina Tierney

INVITATION TO 33 DAYS OF FAMILY PRAYER Bishop McKeown will lead the diocese in 33
days of Family Prayer towards Consecration to Jesus Christ through Mary, as part of a diocesan
programme for the Jubilee Year of 2025, Pilgrims of Hope. It will be delivered online on the Diocese
of Derry Facebook, each evening at 7.00 pm, starting on Thursday 9 January 2025 and concluding on
the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes, Tuesday 11 February 2025. Bishop McKeown explains, "It is a
journey I set out to make to entrust myself and my priesthood to Christ through the Mother of God. I
extend an invitation to you and your families from the parishes of the diocese to join me". Details and
times of the prayer programme with a video message from Bishop McKeown can be viewed at:
derrydiocese.org/consecration.

ACCORD DERRY - MARRIAGE PREPARATION WORKSHOPS 2025 24/25 January, 21/22
February, 28/29 March, 11/12 April, 30/31 May, 20/21 June. All courses are now online for booking at
www.accordni.com. Please note that ALL of these courses are in person and NOT virtual.

DERRY DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES 2025 led by Bishop McKeown from Mon 30
June - Fri 4 July leaving from City of Derry airport. Price £849 plus insurance and single supplement if
required. Pilgrimage Office will not be open for booking until 1 February 2025. Gift Vouchers are now
available from the Pastoral Centre. Enquiries by email to: derry.pilgrim@outlook.com.

PILGRIMAGE TO FATIMA direct from Belfast. 30 July - 6 August. £885. £100 Early booking
discount. S/D Fr Martin Graham Adm. Details: Joe Catney 07776425631.7 nights F/B Hotel Avenida.

MEDUGORJE 14 - 21 May 2025 Flying direct from Derry to Mostar. 7 days dinner, bed and break-
fast and insurance. £695 for early booking. Call Mairead on 028 777 22121.