## THE PARISH OFFICE

The Parish Office has now moved to the new Bethany Community Centre. Please leave all correspondence in the letter box outside the front door.

In accordance with Government Guidelines the Parish Office will remain closed.

For all enquiries contact:

Telephone: 028 777 62522 (Monday - Friday: 9.00 am - 1.00 pm)

Email: parishoflimavadv@btinternet.com

Website: www.limavadyparish.org
Facebook: facebook.com/limparish

After 1 pm in the case of an emergency, please contact:

Mgr McCanny - 028 777 29759 or Fr Baker - 028 777 64409

**LENT 2021 - WALKING WITH JESUS ALONG THE VIA DOLOROSA** The resource has been designed in particular to encourage prayer in the home and a deeper understanding of our faith.

The programme has been created to be used in a variety of ways: Information can be found on the Diocese website at: <a href="https://www.derrydiocese.org/news/walking-with-jesus-along-the-via-dolorosa">https://www.derrydiocese.org/news/walking-with-jesus-along-the-via-dolorosa</a>

In the coming days and throughout Lent more prayer resources and activities will be shared on the diocesan website and social media channels. You can follow the resources as they are published at this link: <a href="https://www.derrydiocese.org/news/categories/lent-2021">https://www.derrydiocese.org/news/categories/lent-2021</a>

**LIVING CHRISTIAN FAITH' - LENTEN CONVERSATIONS** Knock Shrine are launching a new series of online discussions to engage you during Lent. What nurtures our faith and what challenges it today? Where do we find hope and joy in our lives? How can our faith build mental strength, wellbeing and resilience? How has the Covid pandemic impacted upon our faith? These are just some of the questions that will be explored over the 6 weeks of Lent.

Thursday 25 Feb: 'Living Christian Faith as Young Adults'

Thursday 4 March: 'Living Christian Faith in the Classroom as Young Teachers'

Thursday 11 March: 'Living Christian Faith in Public Life'

Thursday 18 March: 'Proclaiming Christian Faith as a Priest or Religious Today'

Thursday 25 March: 'Studying Christian Faith'

The talks will be streamed at 8.30 pm every Thursday during Lent.

Join us at www.knockshrine.ie/watch-live or on Facebook @knockshrine.

RIGHT TO LIFE UK You have likely heard of the new Severe Fetal Impairment Abortion (Amendment) Bill, which has been launched in Northern Ireland, to stop abortion up to birth for babies with disabilities including Down's Syndrome, Cleft Lip and Club Foot. In response to the announcement of this bill, Right to Life UK has launched the Equally Human Campaign to help build public support for this important law change. They are encouraging people to email their MLAs asking them to speak in support of and vote for the Bill at its Second Reading. Right to Life UK has set up an easy-to-use tool that will enable members of the public to easily contact their MLAs. If you would like to contact your MLA you can do so by following the link: Equallyhuman.org.

LENTEN TROCAIRE WORKSHOPS

We are delivering a series of online workshops this Lent. To find out more and to sign up here (link to <a href="https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdsitZjQ6LENkWcgfhJng9VHUFFtxTTSq4jelHAZRpCgzqLWQ/viewform?usp=sf\_link">https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdsitZjQ6LENkWcgfhJng9VHUFFtxTTSq4jelHAZRpCgzqLWQ/viewform?usp=sf\_link</a>
The themes are: Tuesday 2 March at 2 pm - Women's Empowerment; Tuesday 16 March at 2 pm - Peace and Justice (focus on South Sudan); Tuesday 30 March at 2 pm - Never Waste A Crisis (NEAC) documentary screening and workshop.

**CATHOLIC ENGAGED ENCOUNTER** A 'Zoom' online Marriage Preparation course is planned for 27 - 28 March 2021. This 2-day course is a positive way of preparing for Marriage where you will discover how you can enrich your future relationship. Information/Booking: marriageencounter.ie or 02827638512.

ACCORD DERRY - VIRTUAL INTERACTIVE MARRIAGE PREPARATION PROGRAMME Course Dates: 13/14 April 2021, 11/12 May 2021, 8/9 June 2021. Booking now online at www.accordni.com.

# LIMAVADY PARISH BULLETIN

1st Sunday of Lent

**21 February 2021** 

## <u>LITURGICAL PROGRAMME</u> FOR THE WEEK BEGINNING 22 FEBRUARY

Monday 22 Feb to Friday 26 Feb	7.00 am 10.00 am	Mass from St Mary's Church  Mass from Christ the King Church
	6.00 pm	Rosary & Divine Mercy Chaplet from St Mary's Church
Saturday 27 Feb	6 pm	Vigil Mass for 2nd Sunday of Lent from St Mary's Church
Sunday 28 Feb	10.30 am	Mass for 2nd Sunday of Lent from St Mary's Church

## All Masses & Services are streamed on You Tube

Please collect your Trocaire Boxes from any of the church porches

## **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.

## **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

#### **Baptisms**

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

#### **Parish Bulletin**

The bulletin is available online. Visit: Website: www.limavadyparish.org
All notices should be emailed to:
parishoflimavady@btinternet.com before Wednesday at 1 pm.

#### **Deaths**

We extend our sympathy to the family and friends of Bridget McLaughlin, Derry, formerly Limavady who died recently

## **Month's Mind Masses**

The Month's Mind Mass for **William Anthony Canning**, will be streamed live on You Tube from Christ the King Church on Monday 22 February at 10 am.

## **Anniversaries**

Daryl Quigley, John F Mulgrew, Hugh McCambridge, Mary Martin McLaughlin, Catherine McConway, Patsy McCluskey, Patsy & Peggy Mullan, John McLaughlin, Peter Tracey, Annie Mailey, Joe Caskey, Jessie McGuinness, Mary Ann McCormick, Nabla Coyle, Alice Reid, Jessie Boucher, Jane McLaughlin, Jean O'Brien, Joe Quinn, Shaun Meere, Helen Doran

#### **Derry Diocesan Society**

Pray for all deceased members of the Derry Diocesan Society, especially for the following who have been recently enrolled:

Fr Stephen Kearney, Fr Michael Mullan, Claire Cafferkey, Shaun McDermott, Peter Cooke, Ken Mullan, Rose O'Hara, Seamus McCloskey, Cornelius McGoinigle, Kathleen Grant, Mark Holmes, May O'Connell, Paula Mitchell, Kathleen Ness, Beth Kavanagh, Mary McCanny, Mary Helena Hunt, Kathleen Tierney, William Begley, Josephine McLaughlin, James Cooke, Bridget Allen, Lawrence Mulgrew, Paul Archer

#### **MAY THEY REST IN PEACE**

## **Baptisms**

We welcome into the parish community through the Sacrament of Baptism:

#### **Louie Francis Flood**

## WEEKLY ENVELOPE COLLECTION

Envelopes can be returned at the following places:

- St Mary's Church
- Mgr McCanny's House
- Christ the King Church
- Parochial House Christ the King
- 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 14 February - £2,395.00

#### LENTEN READERS: Week commencing 22 February - St Mary's Church - 7 am Mass

Monday Mary O'Hara
Tuesday Mairead McNulty
Wednesday John McCloskey
Thursday Clare Dunne
Friday Mary McCloskey

#### PARISH DRAW

The Parish Draws for January and February will <u>both</u> be held this **Monday 22 February at 8 pm** in Bethany Community Centre. Collection for <u>both</u> these draws will take place on Monday 22 February in Bethany Community Centre from 6 pm - 8 pm.

## PLEASE REMEMBER ST VINCENT DE PAUL RED BOX Helpline No: 07512360388

#### 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
you 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.

#### **DO YOU WANT TO FAST THIS LENT?**

In the words of Pope Francis
Fast from hurting words and say kind words.
Fast from sadness and be filled with gratitude.
Fast from anger and be filled with patience.
Fast from pessimism and be filled with hope.
Fast from worries and have trust in God.
Fast from complaints; contemplate simplicity.
Fast from pressures and be prayerful.
Fast from bitterness; fill your hearts with joy.
Fast from selfishness and be compassionate.
Fast from grudges and be reconciled.
Fast from words: be silent and listen.

#### LENTEN PRAYER

As we move through the Lenten time,
The time when we contemplate Jesus in the desert,
Pray for us the people of South Sudan and pray for peace here.
Accompany us, hold our hands,
Hold the hands of the church in South Sudan.
Hold the hands of our brothers and sisters in South Sudan,
Walk with us during this Lent time.
Through Christ our Lord.
Amen

#### Loving Father,

To prepare for His mission of proclaiming Your kingdom to the world Your Son Jesus was guided by Your Holy Spirit to the quiet of the desert. In these Lenten days, I pray that I will be guided by that same Spirit,

To a place of renewal in my heart and mind, so that I will seek opportunities for daily personal prayer, personal sacrifices and acts of kindness.

With Your help, may I too be truly prepared to share in the story of the passion, death and resurrection of Jesus Your Son, our Lord.

Amen.