ST VINCENT DE PAUL

Many people have been tipped over the edge into poverty and faced impossible choices this Christmas, and the Society of St Vincent de Paul helped ensure that people in our community didn't wake up to an empty Christmas.

We would like to thank all our parishioners for generously supporting our Christmas fundraising appeal. Our annual Christmas appeal in December together with the red box collection and numerous donations amounted to £14,000 and vouchers totalling £1,415, along with £100s worth of toys.

Further donations came from St Mary's School who assisted us with a very generous cheque for £2,000 enabling us to help needy families in Limavady, Ballykelly, Glack and Aghanloo so we extend sincere thanks to all the pupils, parents & staff. Sincere thanks to the Senior Justice Group Loreto College, Coleraine who donated vouchers for teenagers.

Thank you to Castlerock Golf Club for a donation of £500 in memory of Paddy Hartin and to the many local businesses who also made generous donations. Special thanks to Shirley Alcorn of Antoinette's who collected gifts, money and vouchers from the local businesses. Rotary Limavady presented us with a cheque for £2,250, half of the funds obtained from the Tree of Remembrance. Limavady Wolfhounds raised £1,500 through Advent quizzes. We are very grateful to all.

We also wish to acknowledge and thank those who contribute weekly to the RED BOX, make regular donations via standing orders, to anyone who has supported our fundraising throughout the year and to those who bought SVP Christmas cards. We have also been able to access grant funding from various organisations which has helped us greatly with our work. This year we gratefully received a grant towards fuel from Causeway Coast and Glens and from Community Foundation a grant towards the purchase of school uniforms.

Over the Christmas period, we assisted 97 families and individuals with cash, food, fuel and vouchers. We also supported 54 families with toys for children with the help of the Salvation Army. In 2023 St Canice Conference distributed £68,000. Of this, £6,000 was given for school uniforms, £10,000 for white goods and over £29,000 on oil. Cash assistance of £23,000 was distributed for food, gas, electric and education purposes. We are grateful to LCDI who provide Food packs for our families in times of need.

A little help at the right time can change everything. Your support has helped local families through this winter, helped them get back on their feet, has given them a brighter future and most of all your support has given them a lifeline. Your donations and those of the local community have been paramount in supporting our work in this parish and has enabled us to again answer the call to help those in need, so on behalf of all those we assist we say a heartfelt 'Thank You'.

The Holy Sacrifice of Mass will be offered for the special intentions of all our benefactors and donors.

JOB VACANCIES - DERRY DIOCESAN TRUST

Parish of Coleraine: Grounds Person Seasonal Contract. Permanent Part Time. April - October - 8 hours per week; November - March - 4 hours per month.

Parish of Carndonagh: Sacristan 20 hours per week. Permanent Part Time. The Sacristan will ensure effective security of the church and associated maintenance and cleaning whilst organising all associated liturgical requirements in line with diocesan guidelines.

Parish of Claudy: Cleaner Permanent Part Time 5 hours per week. St Patrick's Church, Claudy and St Joseph's Church, Craigbane. Days and times to be agreed with Parish Priest.

For application packs, please contact: Bishop's house, St Eugene's Cathedral, Francis Street, Derry BT48 9AP or telephone 028 71262302 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.

(Grounds Person & Sacristan) no later than 4.30 pm on Monday 4 March 2024 and (Cleaner) no later than 4.30 pm on Monday 11 March. Derry Diocesan Trust is an Equal Opportunities Employer. We welcome applications from all men and women and from members of all communities.

LIMAVADY PARISH BULLETIN

2nd Sunday in Lent

25 February 2024

LITURGICAL PROGRAMME FOR THE COMING WEEK

Mon 26 Feb - Thurs 29 Feb	7 am	Mass:	Christ the King
	10 am	Mass:	Christ the King (streamed)

Friday 1 March 7 am Mass: Christ the King 10 am Mass: Christ the King (streamed

3 pm Divine Mercy Chaplet: Christ the King

Saturday 2 March 4.30 pm Vigil Mass: 3rd Sunday in Lent

in Christ the King (streamed)

6 pm Vigil Mass: 3rd Sunday in Lent

in St Finlough's (streamed)

Sunday 3 March 9 am Mass: Christ the King

10.30 am Mass: St Mary's (streamed)

12.00 noon Mass: Christ the King

3 pm - 5 pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in Christ the King (with Confessions)

Readings for 3rd Sunday in Lent: Ex 20:1-17. Ps 18:8-11, R/Jn 6:68.

Cor 1:22-25. Jn 2:13-25

ROTA FOR 7 am MASS - LENT 2024

	Readers	Ministers of Holy Communion
Monday	Clare Dunne	Mary McDermott, Maureen Diamond
Tuesday	Mairead McNulty	Gregory Kearney, Angela Hamilton
Wednesday	John McCloskey	Bronagh Quigley, Patricia Somers
Thursday	Mary O'Hara	Leo McCloskey, Ann Newland
Friday	Mary McGowan	George O'Doherty, Agnes Diamond

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Please collect your Trocaire Boxes from the church porches

Deaths

We extend our sympathy to the family and friends of John Doherty, 26 Glenburn Way, Limavady Ann Patricia Logue, 33 Tartnakilly Road, Ballykelly Marie McGinnis, 25 Scroggy Road, Limavady who died recently

Month's Mind Masses

The Month's Mind Mass for Blake Newland will be celebrated on Saturday 2 March at 4.30 pm in Christ the King Church. The Month's Mind Mass for Luke Brolly will be celebrated on Saturday 2 March at 6.00 pm in St Finlough's Church

First Anniversary Mass

The First Anniversary Mass for Eileen Tierney will be celebrated on Sunday 25 February at 10.30 am Mass in St Mary's Church.

Anniversaries

Shaun Meere, Joseph McGuigan, Eileen Tierney, Elizabeth Carton, Helen Rose Doran, Catherine Conway, Peter Tracey, Joe Lynn, Jane McLaughlin, Martha Quigg, Peggy Mullan (Highmoor), Catherine McIvor, Jean O'Brien, Alex Irwin, Johnny & Margaret Lowry, Madilane Canning, Susanna Devine, Harry Kelly, Vincent Doherty

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE

Baptisms Grace Clare Kelly

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. Once again many thanks for your kindness and generosity.

WEEKLY COLLECTION Sunday 18 February: £3,990.00

VOCATIONS Anyone interested in serving the Church as a priest of the Diocese of Derry and / or attending a Vocations Retreat Weekend in Larne from 8 - 10 March 2024 is asked to contact the diocesan Vocations Director, Fr Pat O'Hagan, at pgoh2111@gmail.com or at 028 7936259.

DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET will take place in Christ the King Church on all the Fridays in Lent at 3.00 pm.

'THE CHOSEN' An historical drama based on the life of Jesus. This production allows us to see Him through the eyes of those who knew Him. The second series of 'The Chosen' will continue in the Minor Hall in Bethany Community Centre on Monday nights at 7.30 pm. Tea and coffee served beforehand. All welcome.

SCRIPTURE STUDY ON GENESIS for one hour every week for the 6 weeks of Lent starting Tuesday 20 February in St Mary's chapter room at 6.30 pm. For more information ring 07729355068.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER 2024 This year's World Day of Prayer Service will be held at 8 pm on 1 March in the Salvation Army Community Church, Lower Main Street, Limavady. The choir practice for the Service will be held in Limavady Methodist Church on Sunday 25 February at 2 pm. Two ladies/gents can attend from each Church if possible and they are asked to come to the Community Church for 7.30 pm on the evening of the Service as well as the readers who will be notified.

LEGION OF MARY The annual collection for "ALIVE" is now due. We would be very grateful for donations. Please give to any member or leave in the Parish Office.

PARISH DRAW The next draw will take place on Monday 26 February in Bethany Community Centre at 7.30 pm. Collection from 6.00 - 7.30 pm.

Baptisms

To arrange a Baptism, you MUST complete a Baptism Card in the Parish Office Tel: Parish Office - 028 777 62522 between 9.00 am - 1.00 pm.

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. 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 or left in the post box outside the parish office before Wednesday at 1 pm.

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION FOR MARCH

Christ the King	4.30 pm (Vigil)	Angela Hamilton, Rose Gleeson, Vincent Loughrey,
		Anne McCambridge, Gerald McLaughlin
	9.00 am	Agnes Diamond, Elizabeth O'Brien
	10.30 am	Bronagh Blair, Tony Glendinning
	12.00 noon	Karen Deighan, Alison Mulhern, Ciaran O'Kane
St Finlough's	6.00 pm (Vigil)	Fiona Patton, Niamh O'Hara

WEEKDAY EXTRAORINDARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION FOR MARCH

Monday	V Loughrey, E Mullan
Tuesday	N McClarey, B Mullin
Wednesday	G McNicholl, M Trainor
Thursday	A Diamond, M Diamond
Friday	E McIvor, A Newland

READERS FOR MARCH

Christ the King	4.30 pm (Vigil)	Eamon Mullan
	9.00 am	Peter McCann
	10.30 am	Roe Valley Integrated
	12.00 noon	Geraldine Compton
St Finlough's	6.00 pm (Vigil)	Mairead Peoples

WEEKDAY DEADEDS FOD MADCH

KEADERS FOR MAKCH
Geraldine Carlin
Veronica Herron
Seamus Gallagher
Jim Loughrey
Patricia McIvor

ALTAR SOCIETY FOR MARCH

Christ the King	Margaret McCloskey	St Mary's	Anne McCambridge
St Finlough's	Paula Mullan, Joanne Moore		

LOUGH DERG RETREAT FOR YOUNG ADULTS The Knights of Columbanus, Omagh, is organising a Retreat in Lough Derg for young adults (18 - 30 yrs), to take place on Saturday 27 April from 10 am - 4 pm. This event is free of charge. Guest speakers, inspirational talks, reflective time and concluding with Mass. For further information email: info@knightsofstcolumbansomagh.co.uk.

DERRY DIOCESAN YOUTH PILGRIMAGE TO MEDJUGORJE We are inviting young people aged 16+ to join us for 9 nights from 30 July - 8 August. Cost £800 and there will be a budget plan to help with this. Names and deposit of £100 are required asap to secure a place. For more information or to book please contact: lizzie.rea@derrydiocese.org or Tel: 028 71 264087.

ROE VALLEY FOYLE HOSPICE SUPPORT GROUP would like to extend sincere thanks to the community for their support of the Table Quiz on 2 February in Bethany Community Centre. The event was a huge success and raised the sum of £1.530.