

DECEMBER DIARY

Sunday 3 December	Eucharistic Healing Service (2) St Mary's Church	6.00 pm
Friday 8 December	Feast of the Immaculate Conception - Holyday of Obligation. Christ the King Church St Finlough's Church	Vigil 6.00 pm, 10.00 am Vigil 7.00 pm
Sunday 10 December	Exposition & Confessions Christ the King Church	3.00 pm – 5.00 pm
	Eucharistic Healing Service (3) St Mary's Church	6.00 pm
Monday 11 December	Walking Carol Service	7.00 pm
Friday 15 December	Parish Breakfast Bethany Community Centre	7.30 am - 9.30 am
Sunday 17 December	Carol Service St Mary's Church	6.00 pm
Tuesday 19 December	Penitential Service St Finlough's Church	7.00 pm
Wednesday 20 December	Penitential Service Christ the King Church	7.00 pm
Sunday 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
Monday 25 December	Christmas Day Masses as follows: St Mary's Church Christ the King Church	10.30 am 9.00 am, 12.00 noon

**LIMAVADY PARISH BREAKFAST
in
Bethany Community Centre
on
Friday 15 December 7.30 am - 9.30 am**

£15 per adult, £5 per child

Proceeds to SVP

LIMAVADY PARISH BULLETIN

First Sunday in Advent

3 December 2023

LITURGICAL PROGRAMME FOR THE COMING WEEK

Monday 4 - Wed 6 December	10.00 am	Mass:	Christ the King (streamed)
Thursday 7 December	10.00 am	Mass:	Christ the King (streamed)
	6.00 pm	Vigil Mass:	Immaculate Conception Christ the King (streamed)
	7.00 pm	Vigil Mass:	Immaculate Conception St Finlough's (streamed)
Friday 8 December	10.00 am	Mass:	Immaculate Conception Christ the King (streamed)
Saturday 9 December	4.30 pm	Vigil Mass:	2nd Sunday in Advent in Christ the King (streamed)
	6.00 pm	Vigil Mass:	2nd Sunday in Advent in St Finlough's (streamed)
Sunday 10 December	9.00 am	Mass:	Christ the King
	10.30 am	Mass:	St Mary's Church (streamed)
	12.00 noon	Mass:	Christ the King
	6.00 pm	Eucharistic Healing Service:	St Mary's
Readings for 2nd Sunday in Advent: Is 40:1-5, 9-11. Ps 84:9-14, R/ v 8. 2 Pt 3:8-14. Mk 1:1-8.			

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.

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	Facebook: facebook.com/limparish	

Deaths

We extend our sympathy to the family and friends of
Shaun Kealey, 40 Benevenagh Drive, Limavady
Alice O'Connor, England
who died recently

First Anniversary Mass

The First Anniversary Mass for **Lindsay Mullan** will be celebrated on
Sunday 10 December at 10.30 am in St Mary's Church.

Anniversaries

Noelle Forrest, Mary McCann, Bobby O'Connor, Claire McMullan, Joe McCorriston, Patrick McCreedy, Margaret Mullan, William & Susan Bryson, James Joseph Smyth, Les Taylor, Isobel McGonigle, John Kerr, Helena Hunt, Samuel Holmes, George Hegarty, Charlie & Jennie McLaughlin, Brian Mullan, John & Kay Harkin, Catherine Conwell, Francie Forrest

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE

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 25 November: £3,915.00

FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION - Friday 8 December is a Holyday of Obligation.

Mass times are as follows:

Christ the King Church Vigil 6.00 pm, 10.00 am
St Finlough's Church Vigil 7.00 pm

2023 WALKING ECUMENICAL CAROL SERVICE Following on from our previous carol services which started in 2017, it is planned to continue the tradition by starting at 7.00 pm at St Mary's Church on Monday 11 December followed by the Methodist Church and then on to Christ Church before finishing at Drumachose Presbyterian Church where there will be hot drinks and mince pies afterwards.

Please wrap up warm as these churches are all in walking distance and DO come to support us.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION will take place in St Mary's Church on Thursday 14 December. Please commit to one hour each month.

FATIMA PILGRIMAGE 2024 6 - 13 June 2024. £799 per person sharing. (Contact Patricia 07743936548 or Anne 07784953408.

ROSARY ON THE COAST will be at 3 pm at Lisfannon Strand, Buncrana on Sunday 3 December. Everyone welcome, and please bring along a friend to join our group praying for world peace, our country and faith, our marriages and families, and our unborn children. Remember, the Rosary is Our Lady's Weapon of Mass Conversion.

MASS AND VIGIL OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS in St Patrick's Church, Dungiven on Friday 8 December from 8.00 pm - 9.30 pm. May be viewed on the parish webcam.

YOUTH 2000 IRELAND is having its Annual Christmas Retreat in Dominican College, Newbridge, Co Kildare from 8 - 10 December for ages 16 - 35. There are free buses leaving from all over the country to the retreat. Donation only. For more information and register visit www.youth2000.ie.

SHEPHERDING TALENT 5 WEEK PROGRAMME is aimed at all teaching professionals in Catholic schools. It begins on 4 December at 3.30 pm via ZOOM. Total cost £250. To register and for more information email: tferry@derrydiocese.org or Tel: 02871264087.

ST FINLOUGH'S PRIMARY SCHOOL warmly invite you all to their Christmas Carol Service at St Finlough's Church on Wednesday 13 December at 6.30 pm.

ST FINLOUGH'S PRIMARY SCHOOL would like to warmly invite prospective P1 children and parents to our School Open Afternoon on Tuesday 5 December at 2.10 pm.

CHANGE OF CHURCH

From the 1st Sunday of Advent, 3 December 2023, the 10.30 am Mass will be celebrated in St Mary's Church.

Please God, this change will facilitate and encourage people from that part of the town to attend Sunday Mass. The 4.30 pm Saturday Vigil, 9 am and 12 noon on Sundays will continue to be celebrated in Christ the King Church.

Thank you for your patience.

Mgr Bryan McCanny

SVP CHRISTMAS APPEAL Our Toy Appeal begins this weekend. We are looking for toys suitable for children from birth to 11 years and gift vouchers for teenagers. These can be left in the Christmas sacks in any of our three churches.

Our Annual Christmas Collection will take place on Sunday 3 December.

Christmas Cards now available at Gormley Pharmacy and the Parish Office. Suggested donation £2.

PARISH DRAW - NOVEMBER WINNERS

£1,000	Geraldine Carlin, Drumsurn Road, c/o A McClarey
£100	Jude McClarey, c/o A McClarey
£100	Christine Moore, c/o Mgr McCanny
£100	Sheila McIvor, c/o J Carney
£100	Ann Law, c/o Eamonn Anderson
£100	Lawrence McLaughlin, c/o R McGrotty
Collector's Prize	Irene Forrest

The next draw will take place on Monday 18 December in Bethany Community Centre at **7.30 pm**. Collection from **6.00 - 7.30 pm**.

PIONEER TOTAL ABSTINENCE ASSOCIATION OF THE SACRED HEART The 2024 Pioneer calendar is available from Pioneer centres and their central office (00353 1 805 4226). The calendar is designed to offer spiritual support and encouragement to families which are being impacted by alcohol and addiction. The calendar is priced at 5 euros.

Visit www.pioneerassociation.org/calendar

ACCORD - PRE MARRIAGE COURSES 19/20 January 2024, 23/24 February 2024, 22/23 March 2024 in Everglades Hotel, Prehen Road, Derry. Please note that these courses are **NOT** virtual and are in person. Bookings are now being taken on www.accordni.com.

TOTUS TUUS MAGAZINE is a Catholic magazine, full of articles from Irish priests and laity, which aims to highlight the beauty and joy of our faith. It is run by donations. If you would like a free copy, please contact Fiona Kiely on 00353 86 8760058.

ST FINLOUGH'S ANNUAL DRAW is now live. Tickets £5 each or 5 for £20. 1st: £500 heating oil. 2nd: £200 Tesco voucher. 3rd: £200 McAtamney's voucher. 4th: £100 Tesco voucher. Tickets available from committee members or Tel: 07739596794.

MARY'S MEALS - DOUBLE THE LOVE is keeping the promise of a daily school meal to over 2.4 million children in 18 countries. All donations up until 22 January 2024 will be doubled by a group of generous supporters, up to £1million. Tel: 07394564065 or email: caoimhe.mccann@marysmeals.org.

FAMILY CARE ADOPTION SERVICES Could you offer a child/ren a new life in a family of their own. Contact us at: Email: email@familycareadoption.org; Tel: 02890 691133; website: www.familycareadoption.com

BLOOD DONATION SESSIONS on Tues 5 Dec from 12.30 pm - 4 pm & 5 pm - 7.30 pm in Roe Valley Arts & Cultural Centre. To book an appointment call 08085 534 653 or online www.nibts.org.

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