

SAFEGUARDING NOTICE

If you have any concerns with regard to Safeguarding children or adults in need of protection within the Church, please contact Marie Gormley, the Diocesan Designated Liaison Person (DLP) at 07596 500 793, or at the Safeguarding Office, Diocesan Pastoral Centre, 164 Bishop Street, Derry BT48 6UJ, 028 713 62475 or PSNI (Police Service of Northern Ireland) 101 or Social Services Western HSC Trust 028 7131 4090. Safeguarding Policy can be accessed on the Diocese of Derry website: <https://www.derrydiocese.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

MARY'S MEALS - EMERGENCY IN SOUTHERN AFRICA To help Mary's Meals keep providing life-changing meals and reach more children in need, please keep our work in your prayers and consider donating to this appeal. 10p provides a school meal. Find our more at www.marysmeals.org.uk or Freephone 0800 698 1212.

LIFE CAMP 2025 Living - In - Faith - Everywhere: LIFE Camp is a voluntary organisation staffed by teachers, students and experienced volunteers. It takes place in St Mary's College, Northland Road, Derry. We are calling all pupils currently in P3 - P7. Week 1: Tuesday 1 - Friday 4 July and Week 2: Monday 7 - Friday 11 July. Cost for Week 1 is £35. Cost for Week 2 is £40. To register go to www.klubfunder.com/Clubs/Life%20Summer%20Camp.

PARISH DRAW The next draw will take place on Monday 31 March at 7.30 pm in Bethany Community Centre. Collection from 6.30 - 7.30 pm in Bethany Community Centre. All welcome.

ST FINLOUGH'S HALL Volunteers required to help set up for functions at hall. Please contact any committee member for details.

ANAM CARA Monthly meeting on Thur 13 March at 7.30 pm in Radisson Blu Hotel, Letterkenny.

BLOOD DONATION sessions on Wed 12 March from 12.30 - 19.30 in Danny Boy Auditorium, Limavady. Northern Ireland needs 1200 blood donations per week. That's 1 every 8 minutes.

ST PAUL'S BOOKSHOP AND GIFTS 20 Shipquay Street, Derry. Grand Opening on Friday 14 March. The shop is at the site of the former Veritas Shop. Everyone welcome.

ROE VALLEY FOYLE HOSPICE SUPPORT GROUP Thank you to all those who made February's quiz evening in Bethany Community Centre such a wonderful success. The good turn out of quizzers, plus generous donations from friends of the group raised a grand total of £1,100. Your ongoing support for our Foyle Hospice fundraisers is very much appreciated.

UNWANTED BEHAVIOUR FROM MEN IN EVERYDAY LIFE I am a PhD student at University of Manchester and I am researching how Northern Irish women experience unwanted behaviour from men in everyday life. Did you grow up in Northern Ireland? Do you identify as a woman? Were you born either between 1990 - 2000 or 1960 - 1970? If you answered yes to the above questions, I would love to hear from you. If you think you would like to take part in this study or would like to know more, please email me at: kim.mcfalone@postgrad.manchester.ac.uk.

THE NET is now available in all parishes or on the diocesan website. Please visit <https://www.derrydiocese.org/news/the-net-january-2025>. For coverage of faith related stories email: editorthenet15@gmail.com.

LIMAVADY PARISH BULLETIN

First Sunday in Lent

9 March 2025

LITURGICAL PROGRAMME FOR WEEK COMMENCING 10 MARCH

Monday 10 - Friday 14 March	10.00 am	Mass:	Christ the King (streamed)
Saturday 15 March	4.30 pm	Vigil Mass:	2nd Sunday Lent in Christ the King (streamed)
	6.00 pm	Vigil Mass:	2nd Sunday Lent in St Finlough's (streamed)
Sunday 16 March	9.00 am	Mass:	Christ the King
	10.30 am	Mass:	St Mary's (streamed)
	12.00 noon	Mass:	Christ the King

Readings for 2nd Sunday in Lent: Gn 15:5-12, 17-18. Ps 26:1, 7-9, 13-14, R/ v 1. Phil 3:17-4:1. Lk 9:28-36

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 63944
Parish Office	028 777 62522 (Monday - Friday: 9.00 am - 1.00 pm)
	Email: parishoflimavady@btinternet.com
	Website: www.limavadyparish.org

Please collect your Trocaire Boxes from the church porches

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

Month's Mind Masses

The Month's Mind Mass for **Kathleen Mailey** will be celebrated on Saturday 15 March at 4.30 pm in Christ the King Church.

Anniversaries

John Tierney, Mairead McVeigh, Maria McCloskey, James & Jane McNickle, Anne & Patsy Forrest, Kathleen McCann, Margaret Harkin, Bridie Newland, Rose Kelly, Helen Guy, Martha Toner, Jim Murray, Patrick O'Kane, Kathleen O'Hara, Anne McGurk, Mary Devine, Eileen Kermath, Annie Harkin, Ann Woods, Bridget Melarkey, Geraldine McWilliams, Elizabeth Moore, Harry Kelly, Hugh Mullan, Harry McLaughlin, Dr John Duddy

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE

Baptisms

We welcome into the parish community through the Sacrament of Baptism:
Cace Patrick Conway

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 2 March: £5,010.00

PARISH MISSION As part of our celebrations of the Holy Year, it has been decided to have a Parish Mission. The Dominican Friars Mission team have agreed to come in the week leading up to Holy Week ie Saturday 5 April to Saturday 12 April 2025. Further details will be given closer to the time.

'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 next series of 'The Chosen' will continue in the Minor Hall in Bethany Community Centre on Monday nights (10, 24, 31 March) at 7.00 pm. Tea and coffee served beforehand. All welcome.

LENTEN CHALLENGE & INVITATION The 2025 Lenten message of Pope Francis is a challenge and an encouragement for us to journey in hope together. Abstaining from alcohol is one way of offering hope and support to those who are living under the shadow of addiction. A Pledge for Lent can be taken in a parish Pioneer centre or via www.pioneerassociation.org. Messages of prayerful support for people who are living with addiction can be posted to Fr Robert McCabe, PO Box 13492, Dublin 7 or can be sent by email to prayer@pioneers.ie. Additional information is available at www.pioneerassociation.org.

A THEOLOGY COURSE FOR LENT An exploration into Theology - Reading the signs of the times: a theology course presented by Fr Brian Brady will take place on the Tuesdays of Lent, at 7.00 pm in St Eugene's Cathedral Hall beginning Tuesday 11 March. All welcome.

VOCATIONS As we pray for the men attending the Vocations Retreat in Larne this weekend we ask the Lord to bless all those who are discerning their vocation at this time. May God give them the grace to follow whatever path in life He wants them to take and, like Jesus in today's gospel, in times of temptation or trial, to draw courage and inspiration from the words of Scripture.

ST JOHN PAUL II PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS **Save the Date** The 2025 Derry Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock will take place on Sunday 15 June.

'PILGRIMS OF HOPE PILGRIMAGE' TO ROME led by Thornhill Ministries from 16 October 2025 for 4 nights. £1,095 pp sharing. Text: 07736832458 with name and address for forms and details.

TROCAIRE

Help us support the most at-risk communities in Guatemala to become more resilient to the devastating impacts of climate change. These are the challenges for Communities in Guatemala:

1. Guatemala is among the top ten most vulnerable countries in the world when it comes to disasters and climate emergencies.
2. With poor access to healthcare, food and clean water, 55% of the population live in extreme poverty and life can be a constant struggle.
3. Guatemala has the highest rate of malnutrition in Latin America, and is ranked 6th in the world, with 1 in every 2 children suffering chronic malnutrition.

Please support Trocaire

ACCORD DERRY - MARRIAGE PREPARATION WORKSHOPS 2025 28/29 March, 11/12 April, 30/31 May, 20/21 June. All courses are now online for booking at www.accordni.com. Please

DROMANTINE WORKSHOPS 2025 Sat 8 - Sat 22 March - Silent Directed Retreat; Sun 16 - Sat 22 March - Silent Preached Retreat - Lent: Season of Wellbeing; Saturday 29 March - Lenten Retreat Day - Treasures of the Wilderness; For further details contact Leanne or Louisa at admin@dromantineconference.com or by Tel: 028 30 821 964. For reservations call 028 3082 1964.

DERRY DIOCESAN YOUTH PILGRIMAGE TO FATIMA We are inviting young people aged 16+ to join us on Pilgrimage to Fatima from 14 July - 18 July. This will be a unique experience for young people and an opportunity to engage with their peers from around the world in a faith context. Cost is £700 and there will be a budget plan to help with this. Names and deposit of £100 are required as soon as possible to secure a place. For more information or to book in please contact: lizzie.rea@derrydiocese.org or 028 71264087.

LISMULLIN CONFERENCE CENTRE As we begin this Lenten season - a time for reflection and renewal - we invite you to join us at Lismullin Conference Centre for a series of enriching retreats and events designed to deepen your faith and community connections. For more info: contact@lismullin.ie.

LEGION OF MARY It is time once again to collect donations for the ALIVE Newspaper. Could you please give to any member of the Legion or leave in the parish office. Thank you.

GRASTA PREPARATION FOR MARRIAGE COURSES on 23 - 25 May & 19 - 21 September. Details: www.grasta.org or at info@grasta.org.

PRO-LIFE SPIRITUAL RETREAT on Saturday 15 March in St Pio House, 5 Fairview Road, Derry BT48 8NU from 10.00 am - 4.00 pm. Will include Mass and Adoration, Talks and Prayers. Led by the Franciscan Friars of the Renewal. This retreat offers a unique opportunity to deepen your commitment to the pro-life mission by "Advancing the Culture of Life through Prayer, Love and Service". Everyone welcome. Bring your own lunch. Contact Precious Life on 028 9027 8484 ore email: info@preciouslife.com.

'SING FOR JOY' - A DAY OF MUSIC AND MINISTRY on Saturday 26 April at Lough Derg, Pettigo, Co Donegal. Boat departs at 9.30 am. This day is open to young people aged 18 - 35 and is free to attend (supported by the Knights of St Columbanus). Registration is essential via <https://bit.ly/SingforJoy>. For further information please contact: info@knightsofstcolumbanusmagh.co.uk or Tel: 07759496677.

CEMETERY SUNDAYS 2025

Roemill	6 pm	Sunday 1 June 2025
Christ the King	6 pm	Sunday 8 June 2025
St Mary's	6 pm	Sunday 15 June 2025
St Finlough's	3 pm	Sunday 29 June 2025

Please bring Holy Water to sprinkle on your graves