33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Responsorial Psalm – O blessed are those who fear the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation – Alleluia, Alleluia! Even if you have to die, says the Lord, keep faithful, and I will give you the crown of life. Alleluia.

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Sunday 15th "It is more blessed to give than to receive", Jesus said. Talents and gifts are given for service to the community. The Christian is to be fully dedicated to working in the service of others, while watching and waiting for the life to come. There is always so much good to be done for others. Today is **World Day of the Poor.** Pope Francis, on establishing this day, said that it would serve as 'the worthiest way to prepare for the celebration of the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe, who identified with little ones and the poor and who will judge us on our works of mercy.'

Monday 16th St Margaret of Scotland (1045-93), wife of Malcolm III, King of Scotland. By her example and her influence she helped the work of reform in the Church.

St Gertrude (1256-1302), a German Benedictine nun and mystic. She had intense love for the person of Our Lord, expressed in her devotion to the Sacred Heart, and she advocated frequent Communion.

Tuesday 17th St Elizabeth of Hungary (1207-31). Queen at 14, widowed and exiled at 20. Franciscan tertiary until her death at 24. A woman of prayer and service to the poor.

Wednesday 18th Dedication of the Basilicas of St Peter and St Paul, two of the four major Roman Basilicas, St Peter's in the Vatican, built over the tomb of St Peter, St Paul's Outside-the-Walls, built at the resting place of St Paul.

Saturday 21st The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary celebrates Mary in her grace-filled life, wholly given over to the Holy Spirit.

World Day for Those who Pray – designated to highlight prayer in appreciation of those called to the monastic and contemplative life of the Church. They pray for us, and on this day we're invited to pray especially for them, and for God's blessing on their ministry of prayer.

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Priest on call this week: Fr John Farren, Iskaheen. Tel: 9384037

CHRISTMAS PRESENTS

What do you want for Christmas? Well, the last thing I want to give or receive this year is Covid-19!! As a country, we seem to be doing well under the current restrictions. Everywhere except Donegal, sadly. Let's see what we can do over the next few weeks in particular, to obey the regulations, and take care of ourselves and one another.

Trócaire has launched its annual **Gifts of Love** campaign. To take part, log on at: www.trocaire.org where you can choose a "gift" which will help people in the developing world. You might consider this as an alternative to giving someone a Christmas present this year, knowing that your generosity is helping those much worse off than we are. Gifts of Love start at €5.



Mass this week: every day (except Saturday) at 10am.

Last week's collection amounted to €1,105. Thank you to all those who leave their contributions at the parochial house, and to those who have begun to contribute by direct debit or bank transfer. Your generosity is much appreciated.

The Apostolate of Adoration invites us all to pray and fast on the four Fridays of November for: Renewal of the faith in Ireland; reparation to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary; the suppression of the pandemic; the Holy Souls; preparation for Advent and Christmas.

Greencastle Community Centre: (9381054) or info@greencastlecentre.ie North Star SLT, support for speech, language and communication skills. Contact Caitriona on 0863616878. Corecare Counselling – supporting individuals, call 0852458535. Upcoming online courses – Healing Art; Webdesign for new businesses; CBT. Creative writing course begins on Wednesday 18 November. All other courses are postponed.

The November edition of *The Net* will be available on the diocesan website: https://www.derrydiocese.org/news/the-net-november-2020 It is hoped to have the publication available in parishes once the present restrictions have been lifted.

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Accord Inishowen @ Pastoral Centre, Carndonagh offers:
Counselling – a professional and confidential counselling service
available to couples or individuals. A Virtual Interactive Marriage
Preparation Programme will take place via Zoom on Saturday 30
January 2021. To book, or for further information, please call 9374103 or
email: accordinishowen@gmail.com

The **Christmas Tree** in the Square will be lit up virtually on Sunday 29 November at 5pm. Donations may be made on line or left at the Post Office in Moville. To see the light up and make donations, visit the Moville Christmas Tree Facebook page and follow the directions.

Mary's Meals is an organisation that believes that no child should endure a day without a meal. They have set up school feeding programmes in some of the world's poorest communities, where poverty and hunger prevent children from receiving a proper education. Every day they feed 1,667,067 hungry children across 19 countries.

It costs just €18.30 to feed a child for a whole school year.

Their Christmas fundraising campaign is called **The Big Family Christmas.** You can donate to it by logging on to

www.bigfamilychristmas.com where you can set a place at a virtual dinner table which will give a hungry child life-changing school meals. If you choose to set a place (or more than one) as a Christmas gift for a family or friend, or in memory of a loved one, you'll receive, by email, a beautiful placemat which can be printed out or passed on.

Look on YouTube for a video showing the impact of their work. For further information, contact patricia.friel@marysmeals.org

Mass for deceased pilgrims, staff and friends of the Derry Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes will be celebrated in Our Lady of Lourdes church, Steelstown, Derry, on Wednesday 18 November, at 7.30pm. In keeping with Covid-19 restrictions, numbers will be limited, but the Mass will be livestreamed on steelstownparish.com/webcam.htm

A reminder that **our churches are open every day** for private prayer, and for private adoration of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. Please God, when lockdown is over we'll be able to celebrate Masses with congregations once again, and to resume public Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.

Castle Clinic will remain open for essential Podiatry / Chiropody appointments during the current restrictions. Call 9385758 or email: castleclinicmoville@gmail.com.

A prayer for vocations: That the Church may be continuously blessed with good and faithful servants following Christ as priests, deacons, sisters and brothers. We pray to the Lord.

For the next five Sundays, beginning 22 November, the diocese will be promoting prayer for Vocations. There will be a vocation-themed time of prayer, beginning at 6pm, streamed from the churches where they take place, and broadcast on the diocesan website. The first will take place in Holy Family Church, Derry, and will be led by Fr Chris Ferguson, Diocesan Director for Vocations.