

3rd Sunday of Easter

Responsorial Psalm Lift up the light of your face on us, O Lord

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia. Alleluia! Lord Jesus, explain the scriptures to us. Make our hearts burn within us as you talk to us. Alleluia!

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK AHEAD

Sunday 18th The signs that Jesus gives are to be understood by faith. So, we see Peter preaching conversion as he has been told to do. Conversion is possible because Christ stands as our advocate before the Father.

Tuesday 20th Holy Communion will be distributed in St Pius X Church, Moville, from 3 – 4pm.

Wednesday 21st St Anslem from Lombardy joined the monastic school at Bec in Normandy in 1059 under the direction of Lanfranc whom he succeeded as Archbishop of Canterbury. He was exiled, and died in 1109.

Friday 23rd St George was venerated as a soldier saint at Lydda in the Holy Land where he was probably martyred around the year 300. Patron of England.

Saturday 24th St Fidelis of Sigmaringen (1578-1622) a Capuchin who preached to the Calvinists in Switzerland where he was killed by extremists.

Mass this week: Sunday – Friday, 10am. Saturday, 7pm.

The Rosary and the Divine Mercy Chaplet will be recited in St. Pius X Church, Moville, at 7.30 pm every day, from Sunday – Friday. **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament** on Monday, 2-9pm; Wednesday, 6-9pm.

Mass, The Rosary, and Adoration may be followed on the parish webcam.

Prayer for Vocations: For an increased awareness among our young people of the closeness of the Lord in their vocation discernment and their responsibility to recognize and follow him. We Pray to the Lord.

The **Second Look Project** is a Pro-Life group which is currently working at highlighting the very serious pro-life issues in our country, particularly abortion and euthanasia. Check out their website at: <https://secondlookproject.ie>

The Parish of Moville

St Pius X, Moville

St Mary's, Ballybrack

St Columba's, Ballinacrae

St Joseph's Oratory, Shrove

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St Joseph

In writing *Patris Corde* (With a Father's Heart) Pope Francis wanted us all to increase our love for this great Saint, to encourage us to implore his intercession and to imitate his virtues and his zeal. As well as asking the Saints to obtain miracles and graces for us, we ask them to pray for us before God. The Saints are given to us as examples of holiness, examples to imitate, and who prove to us that it is possible to put the values of the Gospel into practice. Perhaps it was the example of St Joseph which encouraged Jesus to be "...gentle and humble in heart..." What St Joseph and all the Saints have done, we can do now too. During this Year of St Joseph, we're invited to ask him to help us to be and stay close to Jesus.

This parish is one of the few in the diocese of Derry which has a church dedicated to St Joseph – the Oratory at Shrove. Now that the 5km travel restriction has been lifted, we might make an effort to visit the Oratory, to make a special prayer to this Saint whom Pope Francis is offering to us as a great example to follow.

Sr Nathalie Becquart will join the Catholic Chaplaincy at Queen's University, Belfast, live from Rome this Wednesday, 21 April, at 7pm. Recently she was appointed Undersecretary to the Synod of Bishops by Pope Francis, and is the first woman in the history of the Church to hold such a position. This online event is organised by Blest, the Chaplaincy's new group for female students. The Zoom ID for the meeting is 89575216842; Passcode: Synod21

Baptism: we welcome into God's family **Noah Liam McDermott**, Carnagarve, who was baptised recently.

Thank you for your generous financial support to the parish in the past week, which amounted to €2421.

If you'd like to receive a copy of the **parish newsletter** by email, please send an email to: movillebulletin@gmail.com The newsletter will be sent out securely, giving no one else access to your email address, in accordance with GDPR.

Greencastle Community Centre (9381054) –. info@greencastlecentre.ie / Facebook / Twitter. The AGM will be held via zoom on Monday 17 May at 7.30pm. The new six week courses will include: Gardening; Introduction to Zumba; Singing for Wellness.

Centenary Celebrations for the Legion of Mary: As part of the centenary celebrations for the Legion of Mary, there will be a Mass, live-streamed (<http://melmountparish.com/sionwebcam.html>) from St. Theresa's Church, Sion Mills, on Wednesday 28 April, at 7pm, the Feast of Louis Marie de Montfort, who had such a major influence on Frank Duff that gave him the inspiration to set up the Legion of Mary on 9 September 1921. You are invited to participate in this Mass, the Rosary and Legion of Mary Prayers.

Sharing the fruits of the faith in the Derry Diocese. With Covid-19 restrictions still in place, the April edition of *The Net* will only be available on the Diocesan website –<https://derrydiocese.org/images/the-net/the-net-april-2021.pdf> However, the publication will be available again in parishes when the restrictions are lifted. Enquiries to: editorthenet15@gmail.com.

The parish office (Telephone 0899798562) is now located in what was Fr McGoldrick's house. Normal office hours are Monday, Tuesday and Friday, 10am – 2pm. During "lockdown" the times may change. If the office door is closed (or if there's no answer on the phone) please call to the parochial house.

Radio Maria Ireland is an Irish-run Catholic Talk-Radio Station with commercial-free broadcasting of Prayer, Catechesis, Music, Talks, Interviews and Testimonies. You can download the free App Radio Maria Ireland; view on Saorview Channel 210/ Freeview TV (Channel number can vary); go to website, www.radiomarie.ie or Facebook Page. Contact the station 003531 437 3277. Prayer and music requests are welcome.

Congratulations to the winners of the April Parish Draw:

Prize	Number	Name	Promoter
€700	541	Joseph Doherty	Tommy Doherty
€400	583	Sally Daly	Susanne McLaughlin
€250	390	Caroline & Donald Morrison	Kay Doherty
€150	726	Danny & Mary McGettigan	Anna Gillespie
€100	422	Noleen McGarrigle	Tony Gillespie

Viatores Christi is running an online volunteer preparation course covering Community Development, Health, Global Awareness, Mission, etc. This is open to all. Once completed, participants can be considered for volunteer roles through VC EU Aid Volunteers #EUAVI programmes. Visit the News section of our website www.vcvolunteers.ie or email info@viatoreschristi.com

Life in the Spirit Seminar from the Sacred Heart Church, Omagh, for seven weeks, starting on Thursday 22 April . Topics include God's Love; Salvation; The New Life; Receiving God's Gift; Baptism in the Spirit; Growth and Transformation. <http://www.drumraghparish.com/webcam.html>

The **Diocese of Derry Youth Ministry Team** say that, since moving their ministry on line, the interaction that has come from young people across our diocese has been wonderful. The conversations that have come from this have led to the planning of a series of webinars covering some of the main themes that young people are struggling with today. Each webinar will be broadcast live on Derry Youth Facebook page. Everyone is welcome to join at: <https://www.facebook.com/DerryDiocesanYouth>, on Wednesdays at 7pm. The topic on 21 April will be: Compassion. Guest speakers will be Fr John Farren, and representatives from the Clarendon Night Shelter, Derry; on 28 April the theme will be: *You are the now of God*: Guest speakers will be Bishop Donal McKeown and Elma Walsh (@Donal Walsh #LiveLife Foundation).

The diocese of Derry is currently celebrating a **Novena of Prayer for Vocations** until Sunday 25 April (Good Shepherd Sunday). The resources for the Novena are available at www.derrydiocese.org and www.derryvocations.org Also, at 7pm on the evenings of Monday 19 April – Friday 23 April, Bishop McKeown will interview a number of people on various aspects of vocation, followed by a daily Examen, Mass, and the Rosary, all of which will be broadcast on the diocesan websites mentioned above.