## **REMEMBERING OUR FAITHFUL DEPARTED**

Parishioners and friends of the Parish who have died since November last year will be remembered, by name, at 7pm Mass today, Sunday 1 November. Due to present restrictions and limited space in the Church you are invited to join the celebration online via the Parish webcam.

## MONDAY 2 NOVEMBER ALL SOULS DAY

Mon 2 Nov. is All Souls Day. Mass times are as follows 7.45am, 10am & 7pm.

# PLENARY INDULGENCE DURING MONTH OF NOVEMBER

Due to the coronavirus pandemic this year the Plenary Indulgence applicable to the deceased by those who visit a cemetery can be obtained by anyone who visits a cemetery, even if only mentally, on any day in November, and devoutly prays for the faithful departed.

# Plenary Indulgence for Feast of All Souls' Day

Regarding the Plenary Indulgence attached to All Souls' Day, 2 November, this year, it can be obtained not only on the preceding or succeeding Sunday but on any other day of the month. The indulgence is obtained by "devoutly visiting a church or an oratory", along with the recitation of the Our Father and the Creed, and the other requirements associated with a Plenary Indulgence.

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For anyone who cannot leave their home for various reasons, they too can obtain the Plenary Indulgence by "uniting themselves spiritually to other members of the faithful". Among the various prayers that are recommended are "prayers for the deceased, Morning or Evening Prayer, the Rosary, the Divine Mercy Chaplet, meditating on various Gospel passages or completing a work of mercy.

## DIOCESAN MASS FOR DECEASED CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE

The Annual Mass for deceased children and young people will be celebrated in St Eugene's Cathedral, Derry, on Sunday 8 November, at 7pm. You can join this Mass live on the St Eugene's Cathedral webcam. If you would like to have a child or young person remembered at this Mass, please email the name to lizzie.rea@derrydiocese.org or telephone 028 7126 4087.

## NOVEMBER PRAYER SERVICE FOR USE AT HOME

A short booklet for families has been created to highlight the month of November as a time to remember and pray for our dearly departed. It marks out the feast days, provides a family prayer service, instructions to prepare a sacred space in the home and some prayers for November. The booklet can be downloaded from the Derry Diocesan website (<u>https://www.derrydiocese.org/news/novemberprayer-service-for-use-at-home</u> or our Parish Facebook page.

#### NOVEMBER-MONTH OF PRAYER AND REMEMBRANCE FOR THE DEAD AND FOR THE COMFORT OF THE BEREAVED.

The month of November will be marked throughout the country with a short Service to dedicate the month as a month of Prayer and Remembrance for the

Dead and for the Comfort of the Bereaved. This Service will take place on Sunday 1 November at 3pm in our Church, and people are invited to participate via webcam and other online media from their homes.

# Our Lady of Lourdes Steelstown PARISH INFORMATION



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#### BAPTISMS

We welcome into the family of the Church: Aoibhi, daughter of Sean and Caoimhe.

## ANNIVERSARIES

Please pray for the repose of the souls of: Tommy Mitchell, Annie McLaughlin, John McGowan and James Kelly.

## FIRST FRIDAY

Fr McDevitt will contact the sick and housebound on Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday of this week at the usual times.

#### LECTIO ONLINE

Lectio Divina describes a way of reading the Scriptures whereby we gradually let go of our agenda and open to what God wants to speak into our lives. We meet weekly over Zoom every Monday at 11.30am. Visit the website to join the conversation www.7miles away.org/online-lectio.

## APOSTOLATE OF ADORATION

The Apostolate of Adoration invites you to Adoration, Prayer & Fasting on the four Fridays in November for: Renewal of the Catholic Faith in Ireland, Reparation to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and Immaculate Heart of Mary, The Suppression of the Pandemic, The Holy Souls Preparation for Advent and for the Birth of Jesus (see website for full details www.eucharisticadoration.ie).

#### ONLINE YOUTH PROGRAMME

Derry Youth are running an online programme. Join them each Monday on their Instagram at 7pm for a weekly check in and challenge.

## YOUTH ALPHA

Starting this Monday 7.30pm to 8.30pm. This is a great opportunity for anyone aged 15+ to join other young people from around the diocese as we ask the big questions. Do I have a purpose? Is there more to life than this? To get involved email lizzierea@derrydiocese.org or message @derryyouth on Instagram for an online sign up form.

## SOLEMN EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Will take place in this church on Sunday 15 November. Exposition begins after 12.15pm Mass, with Evening Prayer at 7pm. Monday 16 November Exposition resumes after 10am Mass, with Evening Prayer and Benediction at 7pm.

