

PARISH SCHEDULE

All Masses will be streamed live on our Parish Webcam (www.churchservices.tv/steelstown) or visit our Web page Steelstownparish.com for a direct link.

Sunday 7 Jan	9am, 11am and 12.15pm Mass
Monday 8 Feb	7.45am and 10am Mass and Rosary
Tuesday 9 Feb	7.45am and 10am Mass and Rosary
Wednesday 10 Feb	7.45am and 10am Mass and Rosary: 4pm Hour of Adoration
Thursday 11 Feb	7.45am and 10am Mass and Rosary
Friday 12 Feb	7.45am and 10am Mass and Rosary: 4pm Hour of Adoration
Saturday 13 Feb	10am Mass and 6.30pm Vigil Mass
Sunday 14 Feb	9am, 11am and 12.15pm Mass

CHURCH OPEN

Our Church is currently open for private prayer from 11am to 4pm each weekday and 1.30pm to 4pm on a Sunday. People are reminded of the need to social distance and to use the hand sanitisers provided. Please sit only on the designated seats and follow the signs. These areas will be cleaned on a daily basis.

ACCORD DERRY

Virtual Interactive Marriage Preparation Programme.

Course Dates April 13/14 2021; May 11/ 12 /2021; June 8/9 2021. Booking now online at www.accordni.com.

ADOPTION

Family Care Adoption Services is seeking to recruit adoptive families for babies and young children. For an information pack please contact us at:
Email: anne.ohagan@familycaresociety.org, or tel. 02871368592, 028 90 691133
Monday to Friday 9 to 5pm. Website: www.familycaresociety.co.uk

SAFEGUARDING

If you or anyone you know has a Safeguarding concern please refer to the notices in the Church.

JP2: LOCKDOWN LIFE AND WHY WE WANT TO STILL DO THE AWARD

Two of our current Pope John Paul II award candidates share their reasons for choosing to participate in this years award.

Why have you chosen to do JP2?

I think it is a great demonstration of commitment and voluntary work for our parish. It's a very rewarding award to do in terms of supporting our parish and the local community, especially in these trying times, when doing something good and worthwhile is particularly rewarding. I think also, it provides an outlet to express my faith as a young person in Derry and in a helpful, meaningful way.

Why did you choose the ECO Group?

As young people in today's society, we understand the consequences that are actions have on our environment. And we passionately believe we are here to protect the earth that God created, rather than destroy it. We feel even though the actions we take through the eco group appear small, we firmly believe in the positive impact small changes like these can have on a grander scale.

Our Lady of Lourdes Steelstown



PARISH INFORMATION

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Facebook: Our Lady of Lourdes **Instagram:** [steelstownparish](https://www.instagram.com/steelstownparish).

SYMPATHY

We offer our sympathy to the family and friends of: John Campbell, 42 Drumleck Gdns and Nellie McGinley, 9 Carranbane Walk.

ANNIVERSARIES

Please pray for the repose of the souls of: Maria McLaughlin, John McDaid, Willie Harkin, William Millar, Paddy Leonard, Nan Prendergast, William Quigley, Seamus Hasson, Mary Kelly and Peggy Shepard.

CHILDRENS LITURGY

All are welcome to join Childrens ZOOM liturgy the second Sunday every month at 1pm. This liturgy is hosted and led by staff and parishioners, from the parishes of Culmore and Steelstown. The sessions are aimed at those who are in our primary schools with a special focus on our children preparing for their first holy communion; however the whole family can get involved. It is important to note that you are responsible for your child throughout the conference call. To register your family for ZOOM Childrens Liturgy please contact Julia.fitzgerald@derrydiocese.org.uk. Over 50 families are currently registered. See you next Sunday, 14 February! The Children's Liturgy Team.

LECTIO ONLINE

Join our parish group each Monday 11.30am as we spend an hour online breaking open the Sunday scriptures go to www.7milesaway.org/online-lectio to join the meeting. All are welcome!

NOVENA TO OUR LADY OF LOURDES AND THE WOLD DAY OF THE SICK

The Novena to Our Lady of Lourdes began on Wed. 3 Feb. and continues until Thur. 11 Feb., the feast of Our Lady of Lourdes. The Novena Prayer will be said at all Masses. In this year of pandemic we pray in a special way for all those suffering from Covid-19 and all medical staff.

The World Day of the Sick takes place on Thur. 11 Feb., The Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes. Pope Francis states that the World Day of the Sick provides an "opportunity to devote special attention to the sick and to those who provide them with assistance and care both in healthcare institutions and within families and communities". The Pope reminds us that, as Christians, we should always practice what we preach and reach out in a tangible way to those who are sick and suffering, particularly the marginalised and the poor. Pope Francis entrusts the sick, healthcare workers, and all those who assist the suffering to the care of Our Lady.

