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SYMPATHY

We offer our sympathy to the family and friends of: Joe Horner, 63 Moyola Dr, Jacqueline Whitters, 92 Cornshell Fields and Frances Cooper, The Manse.

ANNIVERSARIES

Please pray for the repose of the souls of: Sadie McGinley, Patrick Coyle, Mary Plummer, Danny McGilloway, Gerard Diamond, Samuel Gibson, Willie McCauley and Kieran Coyle.

BAPTISMS

We welcome into the family of the Church: Eira, daughter of Paul and Kelly and Saoirse, daughter of Ronan and Elisabeth.

PARISH COLLECTION

Our Parish envelopes have now all been delivered. If you would like to request a box of envelopes, a standing order form or a gift aid form please contact the Parish office. Thank you for your continued generosity.

PARISH OFFICE

The Parish Office is open between 9am to 3pm Wednesday to Friday. Please bring Passport Application Forms, make requests for Baptismal Certificates etc during office hours. Please do not bring forms to the Parochial House on Sundays.

THE NET – APRIL 2021

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>. Enquiries to – editorthenet15@gmail.com.

PARISH SCHEDULE

Sunday 18 Apr.	9am, 11am and 12.15pm Mass
Monday 19 Apr.	7.45am and 10am Mass
Tuesday 20 Apr.	7.45am and 10am Mass
Wednesday 21 Apr.	7.45am and 10am Mass
Thursday 22 Apr.	7.45am and 10am Mass
Friday 23 April	7.45am, 10am and 7pm Mass
Saturday 24 April	10am Mass; 6.30pm Vigil Mass
Sunday 25 April	9am, 11am and 12.15pm Mass

DERRY DIOCESAN VOCATIONS WEEK

The annual Derry Diocesan Vocations Week began on 17 April and ends on Good Shepherd Sunday, 25 April. The theme for this year's Vocations Week is based on "Patris Corde" ('With a Father's Heart. '), which is Pope Francis' recent publication for the year of Saint Joseph. You are encouraged to participate in the diocesan schedule of daily prayer and Mass, as well as devotional reflections based on the Angelus, Daily Examen and the Mysteries of the Rosary. These resources are all available online at derrydiocese.org and derryvocations.org . From Monday 19 to Friday 23 April Bishop McKeown will host a series of interviews with guests from throughout the diocese, discussing how they have answered God's call to vocation. These twenty minute interviews will be broadcast live online at 7pm each evening, followed by a broadcast of the celebration of the Daily Examen. At 8pm each evening, Bishop McKeown will lead the Rosary, before concluding with night prayer.

KEEPING UP THE CONVERSATIONS WITH DIOCESE OF DERRY YOUTH Since the start of the Covid pandemic, the Diocese of Derry Youth Ministry team moved their ministry online. Since then, the interaction that has come from young people across our diocese has been wonderful. The conversations that have come from this have led to us planning a series of webinars covering some of the main themes that young people are struggling with today. Each webinar will broadcast live on Derry Youth Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/DerryDiocesanYouth>) each Wednesday at 7pm on the 14 April the theme of Vocation, guest speakers will be Baroness Nuala O'Loan and Father Chris Ferguson, 21 April the theme of Compassion, guest speakers will be Fr John Farren, Parish of Iskaheen & Upper Moville and representatives from the Clarendon Night Shelter, Derry and 28 April the theme 'You are the now of God', guest speakers will be Elma Walsh, Donal Walsh #LiveLife Foundation and Bishop Donal McKeown, Bishop of Derry. Everyone is welcome to join.

CENTENARY CELEBRATIONS FOR THE LEGION OF MARY

As part of the centenary celebrations for the Legion of Mary, there will be a special Mass for the Legionaries of the diocese live-streamed from St. Theresa's Church, Sion Mills, on Wednesday 28 April at 7pm, Feast of Louis Marie de Montfort. All are invited to participate in this Mass via the parish webcam, on <http://melmountparish.com/sionwebcam.html> . The Rosary along with the Legion of Mary Prayers will then be recited.

TROCAIRE LENTEN COLLECTION

You can contribute to the 2021 Trocaire Collection by:

- Donating online at www.trocaire.org using the Donate button;
- Online payments to the Trocaire Bank account – details are:
Sorting Code: 93.80.92 Account No: 8822 7020;
- By telephone on 02890808030 or freephone number 0800 912 1200;
- By posting a cheque to Trocaire, 50 King Street, Belfast, BT1 6AD.

LIFE IN THE SPIRIT

Seminar in Omagh will take place over a period of seven weeks in conjunction with 7.30pm Holy Mass in the Sacred Heart Church, Omagh, starting on Thursday 22 April. Please join at 7.30pm each Thursday via the parish webcam: <http://www.drumraghparish.com/webcam.html>

22 April: God's Love - Fr Damian Bresnahan SMA; 29 April: Salvation - Fr Joe Gormley; 6 May: The New Life - Bishop Donal McKeown; 13 May: Receiving God's Gift - Fr Christopher McDermott; 20 May: Baptism in the Spirit - Fr Eddie Magee; 27 May: Growth - Fr Colum Curry; Thursday 3 June: Transformation - Fr Kevin Mc Elhennon.

"Let him who is thirsty come; Let him who desires, Take the water of life without price" Rev. 22:17. Please pray for an outpouring of the Holy Spirit on all people.

VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED

Victim Support NI, the leading independent charity supporting victims and witnesses of crime in Northern Ireland, urgently require volunteers to support young people aged 5-17 who have been a victim of crime (excluding sexual crime and Domestic Violence). They provide comprehensive training and reasonable expenses. If you are interested in the role, and to find out more, please email Katherine Law at katherinel@victimsupportni.org.uk with 'Young Victim Project volunteer enquiry' in the subject box. You can also call the Victim Support NI Foyle Hub on 02871 370086 where a member of staff will pass your details to Katherine.

RADIO MARIA IRELAND

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- 'Listen Live Radio' link on Facebook Page. (Like, Share and Follow us on Facebook)
- Phone – get live radio feed by calling 003531 437 3277 (no extra charges apply).

Prayer and song requests welcome. "A Catholic voice in your home". Fr Eamonn McCarthy is Director.

IN CONVERSATION WITH SR NATHALIE BECQUART

Sr Nathalie Becquart will join the Catholic Chaplaincy at QUB live from Rome next Wednesday, 21 April at 7pm. Sr Natalie was appointed as undersecretary to the Synod of Bishops by Pope Francis earlier this year, becoming the first woman to hold this position in Church history. This online event is organised and facilitated by Blest, Chaplaincy's new group for women students. Everyone is welcome to join the student-led conversation. Zoom ID: 89575216842 Passcode: Synod21