

# PARISH OF BANAGHER

## 2nd Sunday of Lent – 5<sup>th</sup> March 2023

### Mass & Service Times

#### Weekday Mass Times:

Monday: St Joseph's Church, Fincairn: 9.30am  
Tuesday: St Mary's Church, Altinure: 10.00am  
Wednesday: St Peter & St Paul's Church, Foreglen: 7.00pm;  
St Joseph's Church, Fincairn: 7.30pm.  
Thursday: St Mary's Church, Altinure: 10.00am  
Friday: St Joseph's Church, Fincairn: 9.30am; St Peter & St Paul's Church, Foreglen:  
7.00pm

**N.B.** Mass in Fincairn will return to the Main Church for Lent

#### Weekend Mass Times for next weekend: 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> March

St Joseph's Church, Fincairn: Vigil 7.00pm; 9.15am  
St Mary's Church, Altinure: 10.30am.  
St Peter's & St Paul's Church, Foreglen: Vigil 7.00pm.

#### Sunday Mass times in Neighbouring Parishes:

St Patrick's Church, Dungiven: Vigil 6.00pm; Sunday 9.00am & 11.30am  
St Matthew's Church, Drumsurn: Sunday 10.15am  
Immaculate Conception, Gortnahey: Vigil 4.30pm  
St Joseph's Church, Craighbane: Sunday 10.00am  
St Patrick's Church, Claudy: Vigil 6.30pm; Sunday 11.30am

#### Confessions:

Wednesday: St Joseph's Church, Fincairn: 7.00pm  
Friday: St Joseph's Church, Fincairn, 10am  
Saturday: St Joseph's Church, Fincairn, 6.30pm

#### Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Divine Mercy Chaplet

St Mary's Church, Altinure: Thursday 10.30am – 11.30am.  
Grotto Chapel, Fincairn: Friday 10.00am – 11.00am.

#### Stations of the Cross Devotions for Lent:

St Joseph's Church, Fincairn: 8.00pm Wednesday (After evening Mass)  
St Mary's Church, Altinure: 6.00pm Sunday

### Confirmation 2023

Congratulations to the Primary 7 children of the parish on receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation this weekend. We give thanks to the Holy Spirit for affirming their faith and pray that our new confirmands witness Christ in every situation.

**RIP:** We offer our sympathies to the family and friends of Bridget McLaughlin, Muldonagh, who was laid to rest this week.

**The Holy Family Padre Pio Prayer Group** will meet on Tuesday 7 March at Holy Family Chapel, Ballymagroarty, Derry. Starting with the holy rosary at 1845, mass at 1915 and a novena to St. Pio directly afterwards. There will be a first-class relic available for veneration. All Welcome.

**The Catholic Chaplaincy QUB in association with Order of Malta QUB** invite you to join us in our Conversations for the Common Good initiative and welcome: Caroline Haughey OBE KC - 'The Evolution of Modern Slavery in the 21st Century and the Church's Response'. Tuesday 7th March at 7PM in The Catholic Chaplaincy, 28 Elmwood Ave, Belfast BT9 6AY

**Termonbacca, Derry** Into Great Silence - The 2005 Documentary Film by Director Philip Growing, which illustrates the life of the Carthusian Monks of the Grand Chartreuse Monastery in France will be shown at 7:00pm on Thursday 9th March, at the Carmelite Retreat Centre, Termonbacca, Derry. All are welcome to attend.

**Holy Hour for Vocations** will take place in St Eugene's Cathedral, Derry, at 8pm on Friday 10 March. It will be led by the Diocesan Vocations Director, Fr Pat O'Hagan, PP Bellaghy & Greenlough. All welcome to attend or to follow the Devotions via the Cathedral webcam.

**Faith Renewal – Knock Shrine** Lenten Reflections – Weekly Talks with Guest Speakers. Taking place Online and at St John's Welcome Centre, Knock Shrine Time: 8.15pm - 9.15pm. March 7th – Kieran Cronin 'Laudato Si: St Francis and Prayer for Ecological Conversion.' March 14th – Jane Mellett 'Almsgiving: Responding to the Cry of the Earth and the Poor through Care for Creation.' March 21st – John Connell 'Living more simply in a complex world'.

**A Concert to Celebrate Saint Patrick** Celebrate Lá Fhéile Pádraig, Saint Patrick's Day at Knock Shrine by joining us for a special concert on Thursday 16th March. Celebrating Irish music, heritage and culture with many well-known Irish favourites performed on the night. The concert will take place in Knock Basilica at 8.30pm. Admission is free and all are welcome.

**SMA Dromantine** Dance of Life Retreat Friday 17th March (5.00pm) – Sunday 19th (2.00pm). The opportunity to dance at this retreat may bring a renewed awareness in your sense of self, connection with others and connection with God. Led by Sr. Mary Taylor OLA and Fr. Damian Bresnahan SMA Cost £220/€250 SMA Dromantine, Newry, BT34 1RH. Tel; 02830821964 email: [admin@dromantineconference.com](mailto:admin@dromantineconference.com)

**OFFERTORY COLLECTION****25<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> February 2023**

St Joseph's Church, Fincairn: £1415      St Mary's Church, Altinure: £830  
 St Peter's & St Paul's Church, Foreglen: £325

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March	St Joseph's Church, Fincairn		St Mary's Church, Altinure
	7.00pm	9.15am	10.30am
<b>Readers</b>	Elaine Loughrey	Mary Kathleen McDermott	Miriam & Nábla Lockhart
<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	Darragh McCloskey	Geraldine McCloskey	Sally O'Kane
<b>Cleaning</b>	Margaret Carton, Angela Hasson		Catriona Doughty, Geraldine McElhinney, Estella McLaughlin
<b>Counters</b>	Anna Hassan, Marion O'Neill, Anthony O'Neill, Patricia McCloskey		Christine McGaughey & Mary Conway
<b>Collectors</b>	<b>7.00pm</b> Marty McGrellis Paul McLaughlin Vincent McCloskey	<b>9.15am</b> Dermot Lynch Sean Roe McCloskey	Stephen Gormley Tony Gormley Shaun McElhinney Shane McElhinney

**HOPE Camp Banagher** We are delighted to confirm that HOPE Camp Banagher will be taking place from 31st July – 4th August 2023. HOPE Camp is for children who live in the geographical boundary of Banagher Parish. HOPE is open to children who have finished P6 in June 2023 up to children who have finished Year 11 in June 2023. If you would like to volunteer to help at the HOPE Camp in Banagher Parish, you must be 16+. More information regarding HOPE Camp will be announced in the coming weeks.

**Lourdes 2023: The Derry Diocesan Pilgrimage**, led by Bishop Donal McKeown, will go direct from City of Derry Airport 3rd to 7th July, four nights FB in the Hotel Agena: £745 sharing, £35 single sppt. Travel insurance up to age 79-£39. Age 80 to 94-£78. (Pilgrims may wish to use their own insurance). Further details and payment arrangements via the Lourdes Pilgrimage Office, 164 Bishop Street, Derry, will be open to the public on Saturdays only from 11.00am until 1.00pm commencing on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> February.

**Fatima Pilgrimage** Archbishop Eamon Martin is leading a pilgrimage to Fatima from 20<sup>th</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup> July 2023. Cost for 7 days is £799/€899 per person sharing. Flights depart Dublin at 6.05am Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> July arriving in Fatima 11.00am. Single room supplement and insurance is additional. For further information contact Joe or Maureen McLaughlin on 00442890701606 or 00447711808207.

**Safeguarding Notice:** If you have any concerns with regard to Safeguarding children or adults in need of protection within the Church please contact Marie Gormley, the Diocesan Designated Liaison Person (DLP) at 07596 500 793 or at the Safeguarding Office, Diocesan Pastoral Centre, 164 Bishop Street, Derry, BT48 6UJ or PSNI (Police

Service of Northern Ireland) 101 or Social Services: Duty Social Worker, Gateway Services, Western HSC Trust, 71314090

**Privacy Notice:** The Diocese of Derry complies with GDPR regulations. A privacy notice is available on the Parish Website or by contacting the Parish Office. Live stream and recordings of Mass and Services in St Joseph's Church, Fincairn and St Mary's Church, Altinure are available online. Parishioners should note that the first three rows of seats are visible online in St Joseph's Church, Fincairn and the first six rows of seats in St Mary's Church, Altinure. Please also note that the outside areas and the interiors of St Joseph's Church, Fincairn and St Mary's Church, Altinure and covered by CCTV.

**Essential Repairs & Maintenance**

Over the coming weeks and months, a schedule of essential repairs and maintenance will take place across the 3 churches in the Parish. Most notably will be the dismantling and rebuilding of the bell tower at St Mary's Church, Altinure. While the scaffolding will be erected at the eastern wall, stonework repairs and ventilation works will also be carried out. In St Peter and St Paul's Church, Foreglen, repairs to the stonework around the sanctuary, treating the damp in the porch and resolving the ongoing problems with the heating will take place. I thank you for your co-operation and understanding.

**COMMUNITY NEWS**

**Dungiven and Feeny LC for Cancer Research UK** Big Breakfast on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> March, in the Church of Ireland hall, Upper Main Street Dungiven, from 8.00am to 12.30pm. All proceeds from all of our fundraising events are used for research & clinical trials in NI.

**Dromboughil Community Association** have staff vacancies. A Cook for Thursday Lunch Club - 10am - 2pm and a General Office Assistant - Tues, Wed, Thurs mornings. Total 10 -12 hours. Please contact John at 07599055546 for details.

**St Mary's GAC, Banagher:** Lotto Numbers for 28/02/23 were 7, 8, 18 & 20. Winning £20 each was Paul Cartin, Marie Logue, Mark McWilliams, Siobhan Campbell, Colum McDermott, Dana Robinson. Money can be collected in the shop. Thanks very much to everyone who continue to support our club lotto, much appreciated. Next week's Jackpot is £1,300. Drive-in Bingo continues Sunday 4pm.

**PARISH CLERGY****Fr Micheál McGavigan Adm. JV**

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To arrange a Baptism, Wedding or Anniversary Mass, please call Fr Micheál or the secretaries on 028 7778 1223 or email banagherparish@derrydiocese.org.

**Parish Office** opening hours: Monday - Friday 9.30am - 12.30pm.

**Mass is Live on the Webcam at [www.banagherparish.com](http://www.banagherparish.com)**

**SVP Confidential Helpline: 07593954973**