

PARISH OF BANAGHER

**13th Sunday in Ordinary Time
30th June 2024**

Mass Times

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

Weekend Mass Times for Sunday 7th July 2024

St Joseph's Church, Fincairn: 7.00pm Vigil
 St Mary's Church, Altinure: 10.30am
 St Peter's & St Paul's Church, Foreglen: 12pm Noon

Confessions

St Joseph's Church, Fincairn: Friday: 10:00am
 St Joseph's Church, Fincairn: Saturday: 6.30pm

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Divine Mercy Chaplet

St Joseph's Church, Fincairn: Friday 10.00am – 11.00am

A Month's Mind Mass will be celebrated for the happy repose of the soul of Hughie Lockhart RIP, in St Joseph's Church, Fincairn on Saturday 6th July at 7pm.

A Month's Mind Mass will be celebrated for the happy repose of the soul of Siobhan Farrell RIP, in St Peter's & St Paul's Church, Foreglen on Sunday 7th July at 12noon.

Baptism We welcome into God's family Paudie Duffy and Oran Francis Kerlin.

Congratulations to Cora Deery & Cahán Brolly and Aisling Elliott & Niall Farren who celebrated the Sacrament of Matrimony this past weekend.

Daughters of Charity of St Vincent de Paul will visit the Parish next weekend, 6th & 7th July and speak at all Masses about their work in Africa. A collection will be taken up at all Masses to assist them in their valuable work.

Visitation of the Sick and Housebound will take place at the following times this forthcoming week: Monday morning: Feeny; Monday afternoon: Foreglen; Monday evening: Carnanbane; **Tuesday afternoon from 3pm: Park.** Please let Fr Micheál know if you would not like a visit this month.

July	St Joseph's Church, Fincairn		St Mary's Church, Altinure
	7.00pm	9.15am	10.30am
Readers	Elaine Loughery	Liam Campbell	Betty McAteer
Eucharistic Ministers	Patsy McDermott	Breige O'Neill	Andrena O'Kane
Flowers	Joey McDermott		Teresa Devine
Cleaning	Bernie Lynch, Kathleen Lynch Carol Anne McGinty		Donna O'Kane Catherine Loughery, Rosie Dallas
Counters	Liam & Siobhan Campbell, Briega O'Neill Peter McCullagh		Christine McGaughey, Celine McGaughey, Ann O'Kane
Collectors	Marty McGrellis Vincent McCloskey	Paul McDermott Jackie Hasson	Stephen Gormley, Tony Gormley Shaun & Shane McElhinney

Save the date The SVP summer outing Thursday 1st August to Glenveagh National Park Co. Donegal, Evening meal in An Grainan Burt and some shopping time in Letterkenny. Coach times: Dungiven Main St 9.am; Feeny Main St 9.15 am; Park Resource 9.30 am. Those travelling from Foreglen can opt to connect with coach in Dungiven or Feeny. Please book with any committee member or by Phone 07593954973. Contribution £15. Looking forward to seeing you. Banagher SVP.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

22nd & 23rd June 2024

St Joseph's Church, Fincairn: £2420 St Mary's Church, Altinure: £385
 St Peter's & St Paul's Church, Foreglen: £485

Please consider online contributions and Gift Aid. Online Contributions to:

Parish of Banagher Sort Code: 950306 A/c 51052659

Thank you for your continued generosity.

Diocese of Derry Three-Day Pilgrimage to Lough Derg 2024 led by Bishop Donal McKeown starts on Friday, 26 July, and concludes on Sunday, the 28 July. Bus will leave St Eugene's Cathedral, Derry, on Friday 26 July at 11.00am and will travel via, Strabane, Lifford and Ballybofey. Cost £80 including transport. Cost for those making their own way to Lough Derg, £70. Pre-booking is required for those travelling by bus. Please contact Tony Brennan on tony.brennan@derrydiocese.org or phone the Diocese Office on 0044 28 7126 2302 for booking form. Lough Derg is a sacred place apart to bring burdens and leave them behind, to seek healing for wounds and to ask for them to be healed. The Lough Derg Pilgrimage provides a kind of breathing space in which people can calmly explore and reflect on where they find themselves in their lives at that moment in time. We look forward to welcoming you!

Prayer for Vocations That the men called to serve the diocese of Derry as priests will hear the Lord say in this weekend's gospel, "Do not be afraid. Only have faith."

St Eugene's Cathedral, Derry, proudly presents Afternoon Tea with Daniel O'Donnell on Sunday 14 July at 3.00pm in St Mary's College, Northland Road, Derry. Tickets cost £35 and are available to buy at the Parish Office, Tel 028 7126 2894.

"Rally for Life" Dublin, Saturday 6 July: To get information on availability of sponsored bus transport, contact any of these numbers: Brian 087 2913186, Teresa 086 2647235, Margaret 089 2469599, Jim 087 2606595.

The Three Parish Webcams are now available to view on the Firestick. If you search for the iTech Media App and download it to your Firestick, you can then search for the Church.

Pilgrimages to Fatima (Limited availability) ex Dublin, Flying with TAP airlines, Easter 2025: 13 May 2025 Feast day of Our Lady of Fatima, 13 June 2025 for Feast of Saint Anthony, 13 October 2025. Contact James Treacy 00353 61921470, Email: jamestreacyphotography@gmail.com

Padre Pio Pilgrimage Glenshane pilgrimage to Rome, San Giovanni & Montecassino, Nov 6-10. 895 euro all-in. Afternoon flights with Aer Lingus. Excellent accommodation & dinners. All coaching and tours included. Phone Kieran and Laura, 00353 57 93 55050.

Mary's Meals Fr Eamonn Kelly, priest of Raphoe diocese, is involved with Mary's Meals, a charity that presently feeds 2,429,182 children in their place of education each school day. For the past eleven years walks to Knock Shrine have taken place, to raise awareness of, and funds for Mary's Meals. "We are now launching Step by Step to Feed the Next Child 2024. We have walks originating in many counties, north and south. All walks go from 7 August to 15 August. We are seeking people to help us create new walks, join us for a day or half day or a few hours, collect, take a sponsor card or promote the walk. It costs €22 to give a child a meal each day in school for a school year and every eleven cents raised provides a meal. If you would like more information or to get involved, I would love to hear from you. My contact details are: Eamonn Kelly (Rev), Parochial House, Convoys, Co Donegal, F93HX2R, eamonnkelly1949@gmail.com or 087 9077985."

Feast Days this Week

Monday 1st July: St Oliver Plunkett was born in County Meath in 1625, and died at Tyburn in 1681. Little is known about his early life except that he was educated privately by a Cistercian cousin, Dr Patrick Plunkett, who eventually became bishop of Meath. Ordained in Rome in 1654, he was professor at the college of Propaganda Fidei until 1669, when he was appointed archbishop of Armagh and Primate of all Ireland. He held synods and visitations and promoted the reforms initiated by the Council of Trent. It was a time when persecution was less severe, though he would often have to dress as a layman. In 1673 the English Parliament forced the king, Charles II, to behave more strictly towards Catholics, and edicts were issued banning bishops and all religious from Ireland. For the next few years he was able to continue his work clandestinely and was even able to hold a provincial synod. Despite the danger he went to visit his uncle, Bishop Plunkett, who was dying. He was arrested and imprisoned in Dublin Castle in 1679, he was tried on the extraordinary charge of having planned to bring seventy thousand French troops into Ireland. There was clearly no hope of a successful conviction in Ireland he was taken to London and duly found guilty of the charge. He was executed in London, the final victim of the 'Popish Plot' and the last person to be executed for the faith in England. His body rests at Downside Abbey, his head at Drogheda.

Wednesday 3rd July: St Thomas the Apostle is famous for doubting the resurrection of Jesus when his fellow apostles told him about it; but if he is the sceptical apostle, he is also the believing apostle, for having seen and touched a risen man, he made the immediate leap of faith and so became the first apostle to call Jesus God. Nothing is known about Thomas's later career. A well-known apocryphal document called the Acts of Thomas relates his missionary journeys to Persia and India. We will probably never know for certain; but the Christians of Kerala have called themselves "St Thomas Christians" for centuries.

Friday 5th July St Antony Mary Zaccaria (1502 - 1539) was born in Cremona in Lombardy and started by studying medicine, but soon decided to become a priest instead and was ordained in 1528. He founded the Congregation of Clerks Regular of St Paul, generally known as the Barnabites (after the church that was their headquarters), whose aim was the reform of the clergy and laity. He was part of the general movement to self-reform in a Church that was coming increasingly under attack from the Protestant Reformation.

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. Please 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. Outside areas and the interiors of St Joseph's Church, Fincairn and St Mary's Church, Altinure are covered by CCTV.

COMMUNITY NEWS

St Mary's GAC, Banagher: Lotto numbers for 25.6.24 were 2,9, 21 & 26. Winning £20 each was Bernie Millar, Laura Millar, Colette McAneney, Lauren Mullan, Bronagh O'Kane and Alison O'Neill. Thanks to everyone who continues to support our club Lotto. It is greatly appreciated. Next week's Jackpot is £5,600.

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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 next week: Monday – Friday: 9.30am - 12.30pm.

Mass is Live on the Webcam at www.banagherparish.com

SVP Confidential Helpline: 07593954973