

# PARISH OF BANAGHER

## The Most Holy Trinity – 15<sup>th</sup> June 2025

### Mass Times

#### Mass Times:

Monday: St. Joseph's Church, Fincairn: 9.30am

\*Monday: St. Peter's & St. Paul's Church, Foreglen: 11.00am

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 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2025

St. Peter's & St. Paul's Church, Foreglen: 7.00pm Vigil

St. Mary's Church, Altinure: 10.30am

St. Joseph's Church, Fincairn: 11.30am followed by Blessing of Graves

#### Confessions

St. Mary's Church, Altinure: Thursday 10.30am

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. Mary's Church, Altinure: Thursday 10.30am – 11.30am.

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

**Visitation of the Sick & Housebound** will take place this coming week in Feeny on **Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> June** and Carnanbane on **Friday 20<sup>th</sup> June**. Please let Fr Dermot know if you would not like a visit by contacting the Parochial House on 028 777 81223.

**Rest in Peace** We offer our sincere sympathies to the family and friends of Johnny Lockhart, 73 Elmgrove, Derry, (formerly of Feeny) who was buried during the week.

**Baptism** We welcome into God's family Lar Colm Francis McCloskey.

**St Joseph's Church, Fincairn Graveyard Clean Up** will take place on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> June at 7.00pm in preparation for Blessing of the Graves in St Joseph's next Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> June.

### Blessing of the Graves 2025

St Joseph's Church, Fincairn: next **Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> June after 11.30am Mass**

Please bring a small container of water to the Ceremony of the Blessing of the Graves.

This water will be blessed during the Ceremony.

A member of each family will be invited to sprinkle holy water on the grave after the prayers of blessing over all the graves have been recited by the priests.

**Derry Diocesan Pilgrimage 2025 to Knock Shrine**, led by Bishop McKeown, will take place today **Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> June**, commencing with Rosary at 2.00pm, followed by Anointing of the Sick at 2.30 and concluding with Mass and Eucharistic Procession at 3.00pm. Confessions available throughout the day. Bus transport avail from St Eugene's Cathedral. For further information on this, please contact Karen on 028 71262 894 or by email [cathedral@derrydiocese.org](mailto:cathedral@derrydiocese.org) In conjunction with the pilgrimage, St Eugene's Cathedral, Derry, is running a two-night pilgrimage to Knock from **15<sup>th</sup> -17<sup>th</sup> June**. Cost £280 per person sharing. For more information and full itinerary, contact Anne Marie on [amhickey@derrydiocese.org](mailto:amhickey@derrydiocese.org), ring 028 71262894 or call into the Cathedral Parish Office.

**'Vulnerable to delight' - Seamus Heaney: Poet of Childhood.** A lecture presented by Dr, Gary Wade (Adjunct Lecturer, University of Notre Dame, Sydney, Australia) will take place at St. Columb's College, **Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> June** at 4:15 p.m. To book places please email: [info@stcolumbs.derry.ni.sch.uk](mailto:info@stcolumbs.derry.ni.sch.uk) or telephone 02871 285000. Light refreshments served afterwards. All Welcome.

**The National Pilgrimage for Life**, organised by the Council for Life of the Irish Catholic Bishops' Conference, will be celebrated **on Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> June** in Knock Shrine. Mass will be celebrated at 3pm in the Basilica, during which the Anointing of the Sick will take place. Main celebrant and homilist will be Bishop Martin Hayes. Join us in Knock to celebrate the gift of life and to pray for the protection of all human life.

**Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage 2025** Bishop McKeown will offer Mass for intending pilgrims in Our Lady of Lourdes, Steelstown Road Derry on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> June at 7 pm. After Mass pilgrim packs including tickets will be distributed. Those who cannot attend should arrange for someone to collect their tickets.

### OFFERTORY COLLECTION

#### 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> June 2025

St Joseph's Church, Fincairn: £850                      St Mary's Church, Altinure: £625

St. Peter's & St. Paul's Church, Foreglen: £455

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.**

### Derry Diocesan Trust Job Opportunity

#### Parish Operations and Administration Manager, Leckpatrick, Camus and Lifford Parishes.

Permanent post - 35 hours per week. Reporting to the Parish Priest, the role entails the oversight and coordination of all business and administrative aspects of Parish life.

For application pack please email: [recruitment@derrydiocese.org](mailto:recruitment@derrydiocese.org) or telephone 028 7126 2302. Completed applications must be returned to Personnel, Bishop's House, St Eugene's Cathedral, Francis Street, Derry, BT48 9AP or via email to [recruitment@derrydiocese.org](mailto:recruitment@derrydiocese.org) **no later than 12noon on Tuesday 24 June 2025.**

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**Diocese of Derry Three-Day Pilgrimage to Lough Derg 2025** starts on **Friday 25<sup>th</sup> July and concludes on Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> July.** For those for whom it is convenient to travel by bus, a bus will depart from St Eugene's Cathedral after 10:00am Mass in the Cathedral on Friday 25 July. Bus will travel via Strabane, Lifford and Ballybofey. Cost £95 incl. transport. Prebooking is required. Please phone the Diocese Office on 0044 28 7126 2302 for booking form or contact Tony Brennan on [tony.brennan@derrydiocese.org](mailto:tony.brennan@derrydiocese.org).

### The Most Holy Trinity

At the Last Supper, Christ explained to the Apostles that he couldn't teach them everything during his time on earth, because they were not sufficiently receptive. The Holy Spirit is charged with continuing Christ's work for all the days of the Church. It is the Father that gives us his Son, while the Holy Spirit is ever leading us to know more of the truth.

### Feast Days this Week

#### Friday 20<sup>th</sup> June:

**The Irish Martyrs** In 1992 a representative seventeen Irish martyrs, chosen from a list of almost three hundred who died for their faith in the 16th and 17th centuries, were beatified by Pope John Paul II. They were in order of their death, Bishop Patrick O'Healy; Father Cornelius O'Rourke; The Wexford Martyrs: Matthew Lambert and sailors – Robert Tyler, Edward Cheevers and Patrick Cavanagh; Bishop Dermot O'Hurley; Margaret Ball; Maurice Kenraghty (or MacEnraghty); Dominic Collins; Bishop Conor O'Devany and Father Patrick O'Loughran; Francis Taylor; Father Peter Higgins; Bishop Terence Albert O'Brien; John Kearney and William Tirry.

**St Alban** was the first British martyr. Alban was a Roman who lived in Verulamium, a town in Roman Britain, near modern day St Albans, Hertfordshire. According to the writings of the time, Alban met a priest fleeing from persecutors and sheltered him in his house for a number of days. Alban was so impressed with the priest's faith and piety that he converted to Christianity. Roman soldiers searching Alban's house came upon the priest and Alban presented himself to the soldiers in place of his guest and he was beheaded during the persecutions of Christians.

### COMMUNITY NEWS

**Dungiven and Feeny local committee for Cancer Research UK** will hold a "Walk of Hope" around Dungiven on Saturday 21st June, starting at 9.00 pm from the Church of Ireland carpark. Sponsor forms are still available from any committee member or simply join us on the night and make a donation. Fr Kelly and the Reverend Loney will start us off with a short prayer service and on return we will have a short Candle of Hope service, followed by light refreshments. Everyone most welcome to attend.

**Learnmount Community Development Group:** This incoming week in Park: **Monday 16<sup>th</sup>:** Time For Me Ladies: 10.30am - 12.30pm; Deed's Dementia Social Morning: 11am - 1pm; Ladies Yoga: 7pm - 7.45pm; Men's Yoga: 8pm - 8.45pm; Art Class: 7.30pm - 9.30pm; **Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup>:** Craft and Crochet Club: 10.30am - 12.30pm; Men's Hobby Workshop: 10.30am - 12.30pm; **Thursday 19<sup>th</sup>:** Post Office Outreach Service: 9am - 12pm (Resource Centre); Painting For Pleasure Art Class: 10.30am - 12.30pm; Park 60+ Luncheon Club: Summer outing - bus departing at 10.30am from the Resource Centre; **Friday 20<sup>th</sup>:** Learnmount Walking Group: meet at the Community Centre at 10.30am. **Please note - there will be no Advice NW this week** but if you have an urgent query, leave your number/email address with Karen or Min and an adviser from Advice NW will be in contact. For info/ to book - contact Karen or Min: Tel 02877781881 / DM us on Facebook or Instagram/ or email: [admin@learnmountgroup.org](mailto:admin@learnmountgroup.org)

**St Mary's GAC** Drive-in Bingo Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> June - £30.00 per line, £80.00 per house, last house £500.00, Fly Over Sheet £30.00 line £100.00 house, plus raffle draw.

**The 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.

**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, St. Mary's Church, Altinure and St. Peter's & St. Paul's Church, Foreglen are available online. Please note that the first three rows of seats are visible online in St. Joseph's Church, Fincairn and St. Peter's & St. Paul's Church, Foreglen, and the first six rows of seats in St. Mary's Church, Altinure.

### PARISH CLERGY

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### CONTACT US

To arrange a Baptism, Wedding or Anniversary Mass, please call Fr. Dermot or the secretaries on 028 7778 1223 or email [banagherparish@derrydiocese.org](mailto:banagherparish@derrydiocese.org).

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

**Mass is Live on the Webcam at [www.banagherparish.com](http://www.banagherparish.com)  
SVP Confidential Helpline: 075 9395 4973**