

Congratulations to Sr Bridget McCourt (Sr Scholastica) on celebrating 70 years in Religious life with the Sisters of the Sacred Heart of Jesus & Mary.

Annual Derry Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes will take place from 4 - 9 July 2019. The Pilgrimage Office, 164 Bishop Street, Derry, The opening hours of the Pilgrimage Office are: **Thursday and Saturday, 11.00am – 1.00pm**

Congratulations—We would like to congratulate the parish **Pope John Paul II Award Group** 2017/18 on receiving their Award at the Millennium Forum this week. Well done to all of you for your hard work to gain your Award we are very proud!

World Day of Prayer— Praying for Slovenia. Join us for world Day of Prayer on **Friday, 1st March** at Salvation Army Hall, Carlisle Road at 7.30pm. Everyone welcome.

Baptisms—We welcome into the family of God **Jameson Samuel Friel, Birch Hill, Belt Road** and **Odhran John Ferguson, Glenaden Mews.**

+Rest in Peace+

We offer our sympathy to the relatives and friends of **Margaret Doherty, Knockewellan Park.**

We pray for the following on the Anniversary of their deaths:

John Connolly, Mark Thompson, Martin McCrossan, Dessie Smith, Joe Cooke, Maureen Doherty, Lexie Killen, Maisie Hone, Frank Cassidy, Jean foster, Peggy Walker, Nora Brolly, Robbie Kennelly, Andrew Alan, Billy Leitch, William Leitch, Joseph McEvoy, Joseph Fulton, James Monaghan, Brendan Johnston, Katherine Callan, George Caldwell, Jim Casey, Michael & Annie Casey, Edmund Dolan, Samuel Simpson, Dolly Gormley, Marie Morton, Danny Gillespie, Pat Simms, Johnny Crumley, Barney Devine, Charlie Storey.

May they and all who sleep in Christ find in God's presence light, happiness & peace.

St Joseph's Young Priests' Society meets on **Tuesday, 12th February** after 10.00am Mass.

Pilgrimage to Holy Land: 6th-14th October 2019. Spiritual Director: Bishop Donal McKeown. Price: £1,330 / €1,445 pp sharing (inclusive). For further enquiries or to reserve a place, email: info@marian.ie or tel 028 9568 0005 / 003531 878 8159.

Anam Cara Donegal the organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding a Bereavement Information Evening on **Thursday 14th February** at 7:20pm in the Radisson Blu Hotel, Letterkenny, Co. Donegal. This is a free event and open to all bereaved parents. As Anam Cara will need to confirm numbers for teas, coffees, etc, please RSVP to info@anamcara.ie before Wednesday 13th February or call the Information Line on 085 2888 888.

Offertory Collection

Glendermott: £5411.00

Strathfoyle: £625.00

Accord Derry - Marriage Preparation Workshops -**April 12/13th 2019; May 17/18th 2019; June 14/15th 2019.** Venue: Thornhill Ministries, Culmore Road, Derry. Booking now online at www.accordni.com

Medjugorje Irish Centre Pilgrimages April – October 2019. 7 nights B & B and Airport Shuttle service from Dubrovnik or Split for €279euro per person sharing. For further information and book the dates that suit you. Tel. 01 4434510 or email reservations@med-irishcentre.com

"Macmillan Charity Formal" - In memory of Mrs. Monica Tunney, a teacher and our dear friend at "Sacred Heart Primary School. All proceeds go towards "Macmillan Cancer" ——— **Venue:** "The Everglades Hotel. Date: **Saturday 16th February** at 7.00pm. sharp! **Dress Code:** Formal/ Black Tie /Smart Dress Code. **Price:** £40 per ticket .

Derry Diocesan Trust—Parish of Ardmore. Part-time Financial & Administrative Secretary 12 hours per week—Permanent Contract—10.00—1.00pm—Four days per working week (Monday—Friday) days negotiable. Role: All financial and administrative duties that may be required in the day to day running of the office and parish activities. For further information contact 028 7126 2302.

Age Concern are running the Annual Jim Guy Quiz beginning **Monday February 25th 2019** at 3.00pm. We invite teams of 4 from all walks of life to join us and take part. All participants must be over 60 years of age. For entry forms, rules and further information contact development@olderpeoplenorthwest.org or ring 028 71 347478. Entry forms must be returned by **Wednesday, February 20th 2019.**

THE HOMILY

We all sit down to listen to what the priest/ deacon has to say about the readings we have heard and how we might be able to put this into practice in our everyday lives.

We call this the homily. The priest/deacon normally stands at the ambo to give the homily. At the end of the homily we reflect on what we should reflect have heard and ask God to help us to live as he would want us to.



<i>Parishes of Glendermott and Strathfoyle</i>	ST COLUMB'S Chapel Road	IMMACULATE CONCEPTION Trench Road	ST OLIVER PLUNKETT'S Strathfoyle	ST MARY'S ORATORY New Buildings
MASS TIMES				
Vigil (Saturday)	7:30PM	6:00PM	6:00PM	
Sunday	10:00AM & 12:30PM	10:30AM 12 NOON	11:15AM	9:30AM
Monday	10AM & 7.30PM	9.15AM	9.15AM	10:00AM
Tuesday	10AM & 7.30PM	9:15AM	9:15AM	
Wednesday	10AM & 7.30PM	9:15AM		10AM
Thursday	10AM & 7:30PM	9:15AM	9:15AM	
Friday	10AM & 7.30PM	9:15AM		
Saturday	10:00AM	11:00AM		
CONFESSIONS				
Mon-Fri	7:00PM			
Saturday	10:30AM & 7:00PM	11:30AM 5:30PM	5:30PM	
Eve of Holyday	As Saturday	5:30PM	5:30PM	
Eve of First Friday	10:30AM			
BAPTISMS	Sat 4PM	Sun 12:45PM	Sat 5PM	By arrangement with priest.
EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION	Fri days 10AM-10PM	Thursdays 10AM-8PM	Mondays 10AM-10PM	Wednesdays 10-11:30AM

MARRIAGES: Minimum 3 months notice must be given. Our Marriage Preparation Booklet is available in the Resources Section on the Parish Website.

ANNIVERSARIES & NEWSLETTER ITEMS: Names of loved ones and notices for the newsletter: email or contact the Parish Office before **3pm THURSDAY**

SAFEGUARDING: Any concerns to our Parish Reps: Strathfoyle: Noel O'Donnell on 07596 500 793; Glendermott (Waterside): Mrs Mary McCafferty on (028)71342303.



**Parish Hall, Malvern Terrace Mondays at
8.30pm**

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Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Year C

10th February 2019

A New Way of Living

The account of Jesus calling the fishermen (Simon Peter, James and John) to follow him is not only about them. It is also the story about you and me and all Christian Disciples.

The fishermen were decisive about abandoning their previous ways of living (we read that 'they left everything and followed him' (Luke: 5:11) and in beginning a new and radically different approach to living. Likewise, we are meant to respond whole heartedly to Jesus, repeated invitations to follow him.

We are invited to answer Jesus' invitation decisively and publicly, for example, whenever we celebrate the sacraments and when we give public witness to our Christian faith and principles. We also answer his daily invitation in the privacy of our homes, in our work practices and in our ordinary everyday activities. The task of being a follower of Jesus is demanding and we cannot claim holidays or days off. Just as Jesus renews his invitation every day, we renew our response every day.

Following Jesus involves devoting our whole lives to him and his teaching. This is what conversion is about. It means that commitment to the Good News and thus to a new way of living.

Following Jesus, being a disciple is demanding. It requires letting the teaching of Jesus and his church inform all our routine decisions in additions to the major choices we make during life