

SUNDAY



Tamlaght
O'Crilly
Greenlough

4th Sunday in Lent



He cares for us in all our needs

"God does not see as woman/man sees. God looks at the heart." One of the greatest temptations of human life is to think that what we see is all there is to see, what we know is all there is to know. Faith helps us to see through the eyes of God and to discover all the wonders of life. Love helps us to know with the heart of God and to rejoice in all the goodness of life. This week in your relationships look for the wonders of your life and acknowledge the goodness of each other and of your world. This is particularly true for couples committed to life-long marriage. They can become so used to each other that they take so much for granted. They can change that this week. The same is true of parents with their children of all ages. Replace criticism with praise. And in your faith community this week grow in an awareness of the goodness of so many people who are faithful to Christ - and let them know it.

Fr. Johnny Doherty, C.Ss.R.



Sunday 26th March 2017

Monday 27th - Thursday 30th: 9.00am
Friday 31st March: Exposition: 6 - 7pm
Friday at 7.30pm: Anniversary Mass
for Joseph O'Neill, RIP
Saturday 1st April: 10.00am &
7.30pm: Anniversary Mass for Kathleen Marron, RIP
Sunday 2nd April: 9.00am & 11.00am
Sunday at 6.00pm: Lenten Stations/Exposition.



Lavey Parish Mass Times: Monday: 7.00am & 9.15am.
Wednesday: 9.15am & 7.00pm; Thursday: 9.15am.
Friday: 9.15am (Adoration to 9.00pm).
Saturday: Vigil - 7.00pm; Sunday: 9.00am & 11.00am.
Lenten Devotions at 6.00pm.

Station Mass this Week

Monday 27th March at 7.00pm

Paul & Pat Bradley, 32 Moyagoney Road.



Sick Visitation - Fr. Harkin will attend
the Greenlough Sick & Housebound
on Monday 3rd April.



The Bethany Group will lead the
Rosary next Sunday 2nd April at 3pm
in Greenlough Church.



First Confessions - The Sacrament
of Penance/Reconciliation will be
held this **Wednesday 29th** at
7.00pm in the Church for our
Primary 4 Class.

Please keep all our young
children in your prayers this
week as they prepare for this
beautiful Sacrament.





TROCAIRE
Working for a just World



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**HAPPY
MOTHER'S
DAY!**

Trócaire: We warmly welcome a representative from Trócaire who will be speaking at all Masses this weekend.
Week Three - Saturday 25th/Sunday 26th March 2017
"...whoever honours a mother is like someone amassing a fortune." Ecclesiasticus, 3:4. This Mother's Day we pray for mothers around the world who agonise over their children's futures in the harshest environments. We think of Miriam, who appears on this Lent's Trócaire Box, as she wonders if she will manage to get her little daughter Maria to safety when the next storm hits northern Honduras and floods their home. Read Miriam and Maria's story at www.trocaire.org/lent

Shamrocks - The pots of Shamrocks sold in aid of Trócaire raised **£302**. Many thanks from the Social Issue Waterjar Group (*Pastoral Council*) to everyone for their support.

Church Cleaning Rota for April 2017

Olive Duffin, Marie Toner, Dolores Kearney, Máire Clarke, Martina McErlean, Sheila Kearney.

Thank you for your help.

Continuous Prayer Movement - Marriage & Family Life
Our Parish day of Prayer for Marriage & Family Life takes place this Wednesday 29th March.

St. Oliver Plunkett GAC: 20/3/17: 4, 6, 11, 19. **No Jackpot Winner. £25:** *Eamon McAteer, online & Mary McFaul, Beechland Park. Next week's Jackpot: £650.*

MOTHERS DAY

We wish all our Mothers a very happy Mothers Day. May you have a special day and great blessings on you and your families. We also remember our mothers who have gone before us in faith and continue to watch over us with love.

MASS TIMES

SUNDAYS:

Vigil: 7.30pm

Morning:

9.00am & 11am

WEEKDAYS:

Mon - Thurs:

9.00am

Friday: 7.30pm

Saturday: 10am

First Fridays:

7.30pm

CONFESSIONS

As Announced

BAPTISMS

Saturday

Afternoon

Telephone No's

Fr. Graham

028 7964 2458

Fr. Harkin

028 2582 1190

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028 2582 1190

St. Mary's PS:

028 2582 1066

St. Mary's

College:

028 2582 1370

Neighbouring

Parishes

Bellaghy

Mgr. Dolan

028 7938 6259

Upcoming COMMUNITY EVENTS

"All About Oils" are offering a **free essential oils class on Thursday 30th March at 8pm in The Bannvalley Community Hall, Clady**. Everyone will receive a free beginners booklet and a sample of a pure essential oil. **Places are limited and must be booked in advance.** To book contact: Christina Carey 07907304688 or Laura Porter 07780801779, (*FB Laura Porter All about Oils*) or Lorna McGaughey 07975542736. Everyone Welcome.

Essential oils are nature's medicine cabinet and have been around since the beginning of Creation.

City of Derry & District Gardening Society's Spring Show - St. Peter's Church Hall, Culmore Road, Derry. Saturday 8th April, 2.00pm - 4.00pm. Schedule & Entry forms available from Altnagelvin Garden Centre. Members of the public, whether members of the society or not, are invited to exhibit. Everyone welcome.

"Eures Cross Border Partnership" in conjunction with *Dept of Social Protection and Dept for Communities in NI* are holding a **Cross Border Jobs Fair on Thursday 30 March in Mount Errigal Hotel, Letterkenny, 10am - 2pm.** A large number of employers will be in attendance and will have a number of **job offers available.** Admission free.

Rise up for 'I AM ALIVE'. A musical celebration and a night not to be missed. **St. Columb's Hall, Derry - 16th April - Easter Sunday.** Show starts at 8pm. **Tickets £10.** Available at Veritas, Derry.

The Alzheimer's Society in Maghera.

Next meeting will be held on **Tuesday 28th March in The Lurach Centre Maghera, 7.00 - 8.30pm.** Contact Mona McGlade, Dementia Support Worker on 028 8676 5888.

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PARISH NEWS

NEW PARISH ENVELOPES
now available on the tables in the Church.

**PLEASE DO NOT START
USING THESE ENVELOPES
UNTIL SUNDAY 9TH APRIL.**

*If you have any envelopes left
in your 2016 boxes please
destroy them and use the new
ones from this date.*



**If any details are incorrect or you did not
receive any envelopes this year please contact
Paddi.**

*If you wish to pay by Direct Debit please contact
Paddi at 028 2582 1190 or email:
greenloughparish@gmail.com*

This is also a time to extend a very sincere
"**THANK YOU**" to all our parishioners and
friends of the parish who support us by their
generosity and presence. *It is deeply appreciated.*

GREENLOUGH PARISH FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT

SUNDAY 26TH MARCH 2017

Collections 19/03/17

Weekly/Monthly/Cash: £1247.097.

Clerical Education & Ongoing Formation: £1009.97.

Building Fund: £481.50

Thank You for your generosity.

Counters for the Month of April
John Kielt; Majella Kielt; Marie
McGlinchey & Jean Connolly.



**MONEY
COUNTERS**

Thanks to :

*Geraldine Donnelly; Grace Kearney &
Martin Kearney, who have been counting during March.*



*Summer Time begins
this Weekend.
Clocks go Forward
1 Hour!!!*



Parish Newsletter Deadline
Notices to be in by Wednesday at 1.00pm.
Tel: 2582 1190 or email:
greenloughparish@gmail.com



PARISH ENVELOPES 2017 - *Thank you for your ongoing support of Greenlough Parish through the Parish Collections*

We are now updating our Gift Aid Records.

We ask that if you are a tax payer and are not currently a gift aid donor and you would consider joining the scheme, that you would please complete the Gift Aid Declaration form which you will find in your new box of parish envelopes. Please return it either to the Parish Office or put it into the Gift Aid Box on the tables in the Church by 30th April.

If you have previously signed up to Gift Aid and wish to continue, we would be grateful if you would also complete the declaration form in your envelope box. Please return it either to the Parish Office or put it into the Gift Aid Box on the tables in the Church by Sunday 30th April.

It is very important that if you have signed up to the Gift Aid Scheme that you use your parish envelopes as a record of contributions received is required by HM Revenue & Customs.

What is Gift Aid? Gift Aid is the government's scheme that enables charities and donors to reclaim tax on charitable giving. The Parish of Greenlough is a registered charity so we are able to claim tax back from HM Revenue & Customs.

So what does it mean? Gift aid works by allowing charities to reclaim tax on the 'gross' equivalent of the donation (i.e. it's value before tax was deducted) at the basic rate, which is currently 20%. To put £1 into the collection, you will have earned £1.25 and paid 25p (this is 20% of £1.25) in tax before you had it to spend, or donate.

In practice, this means for every £1 you donate using Gift Aid, the Church can claim an additional 25p from HMRC, and get £1.25 from your donation without it costing you any more than £1.

How does it work? You make a 'Gift Aid declaration' to the Church, in writing, and the Church can then reclaim the tax you have paid. There has to be a record of what you give, so we ask you to use the Greenlough Parish Envelopes for cash & cheques, or give by direct debit. The declaration will cover everything you give.

What does it cost me? It costs you absolutely nothing! You are giving to the Church anyway, this simply asks the Government to redirect to the Church some of the tax you have paid to them.

What if you pay the tax at the higher rate? If you pay tax at the higher rate, you can inform HMRC - on your tax return, usually - and they will pay you the difference between the higher rate tax and that which the Parish has reclaimed. The idea is that you can then pass this over to the Parish, but that is entirely up to your conscience.

The Parish will not know whether or how much has been refunded and HMRC will not know what you do with it. If you are a higher rate tax payer, contact your tax advisor or HMRC.

What happens if I stop paying enough tax? Simply ask the Parish office to cancel your declaration. If you don't, then you could be sent a bill by the Inland Revenue for any tax claimed by the Church that you have not paid.

If in future you start paying sufficient tax again, you can make a new declaration.