First Sunday of Advent



Our Liberation from fear Jesus said to his disciples: "hold your heads high, for your liberation is close at hand". Over the past few years, with all the revelations of scandals in the Church

and society, there is a lot for us to be ashamed of and repent for. However, the resulting despair that some people have experienced is not necessary because there continues to be so much goodness in the Church and society that we can be proud of. This week we begin a new year in our journey of faith with Christ. It is an opportunity to once again have confidence in his presence with us, and his power in us. Without in any way being unrealistic, this is a time to look towards him to save us and to set us free. We will find that freedom in how we are with one another in our homes and in our parish community as we approach Christmas and beyond with love rather than selfishness.

Fr. Johnny Doherty, C.Ss.R.

December

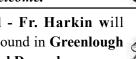




Monday 3rd - Thursday 6th: 9.00am **Feast of the Immaculate Conception** Friday 7th - Vigil 7.30pm. Saturday 8th: 10.00am Sunday 9th December - 2nd Sunday Advent Saturday Vigil: 7.30pm; Sunday: 9.00am & 11.00am **Anniversary Masses during the Week** Sunday 2nd December at 9.00am Anniversary Mass for Mickey & Annie Henry, RIP Friday 7th December at 7.30pm Anniversary Mass for Willie John McAteer, RIP Saturday 8th December at 10.00am Anniversary Mass for Rosemary Rodgers, RIP Saturday 8th December at 7.30pm Anniversary Mass for Patsy & Pat McDonnell, RIP

Advent Devotions: Sunday 2nd December - Rosary/Benediction will be held in the Church at 6.00pm **DEVOTIONS & PENITENTIAL SERVICE** will take place in the Church on Sunday 16th December at 6.00pm. Everyone Welcome.





Sick & Housebound - Fr. Harkin will visit the sick & housebound in Greenlough Parish this Monday 3rd December.



There will be a meeting of the Parish Pastoral Council at 8.00pm in the Church on Wednesday 5th December.



Rosary: This Sunday at 3.00pm in Greenlough Old Church. All Welcome.



Greenlough

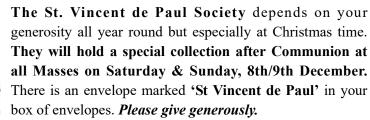
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Greenlough Parish Collections

26th November: Weekly: £1155.40; **B/Fund:** £307.33. **Retired Priests:** £23.00. *Thank you for your generosity.*





Greenlough SVP Christmas Evening
will be held on Wednesday 12th December at 6.15pm in
the Wild Duck, Portglenone. Menu Choices are displayed
in local shops. Contact: Sheila at 07764654573.



The Net December Edition now on sale, £1.50. For coverage of faith activities email: editorthenet15@gmail.com - or text/ring 07809292852.



St. Mary's Primary School Greenlough
OPEN EVENING - Thursday 6th December
from 3.00pm - 5.00pm for pupils who start Year 1 in
September 2019. The staff & governors of St. Mary's PS
warmly welcome all parents & new pupils to attend and
look forward to meeting with you.



Saint Nossonus' Church, Innisrush
Service of Nine Lessons and Carols, by Candlelight, with
The Eden Accordion Concert Group, Sunday 2nd
December at 7.00pm. Supper in Innisrush Parish Church
Hall after the service. Everyone is welcome.



YOUTH 2000 CHRISTMAS RETREAT

Newbridge College, Newbridge, Co. Kildare.

Friday 7th to Sunday 9th December. See Youth 2000

Ireland Facebook page; www.youth2000.ie or telephone:
0035316753690. See Poster on Church Notice board.



Vigil: 7.30pm Morning: 9.00am & 11am WEEKDAYS: Mon - Thurs:

Friday: 7.30pm Saturday: 10am

9.00am

First Fridays: 7.30pm

CONFESSIONS
As Announced

BAPTISMS Saturday Afternoon

Telephone No's Fr. Graham 028 7964 2458

Fr. Harkin 028 2582 1190

Parish Office 028 2582 1190

St. Mary's PS 028 2582 1066

*St. Conor's College*028 2582 1370

Neighbouring Parishes Bellaghy Mgr. Dolan 028 7938 6259

St Columba's Camogie Club CHRISTMAS COFFEE MORNING

on Sunday 3rd December 9am -12 noon in Bannvalley Hall.



Annual Christmas Flower Show

Thursday 6th December at 8.00pm in the Club. £5 Per Person.

Advance notice: St Columba's Camogie Club will hold their Annual General Meeting on Monday 17th December at 8pm in the Pavilion. All club members are encouraged to attend with new members welcome.

All nominations for committee member positions and motions should be submitted to Secretary Nuala Mullan before Monday 10th December.

Greenlough GAC - Lotto 26/11: 4, 10 23, 25. No Winner. £25: Bernie Henry, Online & Breege Boyd, c/o Clady Shop. Jackpot next weekend: £1600.00.



Friends of Kilronan invite you to Trinkets & Tranquility
Monday 3rd December: 5.30pm - 8.30pm in Kilronan
School, Magherafelt. A wide range of products will be on
sale. Donations at the door (includes refreshments)

Job Advertisement - Derry Diocesan Trust: Part Time Financial & Administrative Secretary required for Long Tower Parish (St Columba's), Derry. 25 hours per week, Mon to Fri, 9am - 2pm. Visit www.derrydiocese.org for full details. Email office@derrydiocese.org or tel 028 7126 2302 for application pack. Completed applications must be returned to Bishop's House, Francis Street, Derry, BT48 9AP or email, office@derrydiocese.org no later than 5pm on 10th December 2018.

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