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Greenlough

7th Sunday of the Year



The Lord is Compassion and Love

Jesus said to his disciples: "Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you; in this way you will be children of your Father in heaven." In this statement we have the ultimate commandment and challenge of Jesus. It is the call to love at least as much when things are not going well as we love when everything is good. This has all kinds of implications for us in the three important relationships of faith: marriage, family and faith community. In marriage it is so important not to let things fester but to sort out any difficulties immediately. The temptation is to keep it going and hurt one another even more. In family life it is so easy to let our feelings dictate how we relate to other members rather than make a decision to love them and to get over any differences we might have with them. In the wider community we also are called to see the good rather than the not so good in those with whom we worship.

Fr. Johnny Doherty, C.Ss.R.

Seventh Sunday of the Year

Monday & Tuesday: 9.00am; Ash Wednesday: 9.00am & 7.30pm

Thursday: 9.00am; Friday: 7.30pm

Saturday: 10.00am & 7.30pm; Sunday: 9.00am & 11.00am

Anniversary Masses this Week

Friday 28th February at 7.30pm - First Anniversary Mass for Sr. Eileen McErlean, RIP, Loretto Order

> Saturday 29th February at 7.30pm Anniversary Mass for Margaret Bradley, RIP

LENT starts this week with Ash Wednesday.



It is a day of fast & abstinence. Mass Times: 9.00am & 7.30pm Ashes will be distributed after Mass.



Continuous Prayer Movement Prayer for Marriage & Family Life Our parish day of prayer is on Saturday 29th February.



Trócaire Boxes are now available at the back of the Church. Please take one per family.



Sacred Heart Messenger Magazine The March issue is now available on the tables at the back of the Church.



Sick Visitation - Fr. Graham will attend the Greenlough Sick & Housebound on Wednesday 4th March.



Parish Newsletter - Notices/anniversaries must be received by 1.00pm Wednesday. greenloughparish@gmail.com























Parish Collections - 16/02/2020

Weekly: £1282.76. Lourdes Hospitalité: £75.00. Building Fund: £445.45. Thank you for your generosity. **MARCH COUNTERS: Geraldine Donnelly, Martin** Kearney & Grace Kearney. Thanks to Nuala Tohill, Raymond Scullin, Patsy McPeake, Claire McPeake and Bernard Quinn who counted during February.

Ash Wednesday Special Collection

The Pro Terra Sancta - Holy Land Collection will be taken up at all Masses on Ash Wednesday.

Lenten Short Term Pledge - This enables a person who does not wish to make a life commitment to total abstinence to take a pledge for a limited period of time. You may wish to take the Lenten Pledge as a way of doing something uplifting or challenging for yourself or for others for Lent.

If you would like to take the pledge for the 6 weeks of Lent, please go online at www.pioneerassociation.ie and follow the links to join. A small fee applies if you wish to have the Pioneer emblem and registration card.

Church Cleaning Rota for March Mary Madden, Roisin Madden, Jacinta Madden, Olivia Madden & Hannah Madden, Thank You.

Irish Dancing Classes taken by Louise McMullan T.C.R.G - Fully qualified, insured and Access NI checked every Monday, starting 24th February from 6-7pm in Bann Valley Hall, Clady. Contact Louise: 07718498397.

PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES 2020

We will join in with the Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes from 2nd - 7th July. Cost £679 (deposit £100, nonrefundable). If you wish to go on the Parish Pilgrimage, please contact Paddi in the Parish Office for a booking form. Tel: 02825821190; Email: greenloughparish@gmail.com Closing date: 29th February.

MASS TIMES **SUNDAYS:**

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

Friday: 7.30pm Saturday: 10am First Fridays:

CONFESSIONS As Announced

7.30pm

BAPTISMS Sundays after 11.00am Mass

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

Precious Life will be hosting a talk given by Fr Stephen Imbarrato in the City Hotel, Derry on Tuesday 25th February at

7.30pm. Fr. Stephen has dedicated the last 25 Precious Life years to Pro-Life Ministry in the USA. For more info contact Precious Life on 02890278484 or info@preciouslife.com

Thornhill (Ministries

Thornhill Ministries, 121 Culmore Road, Derry Lenten Promise Cards: If you or someone you know "wants to do something for Lent," the scratch card reveals a daily pray/fast/give activity. Available at Thornhill Ministries, Veritas & The Holy Shop, Derry. Cost: £1.

Church Décor for Lent & Holy Week: For those involved in church décor: How church décor, through displays & arrangements of nature's gifts, supports liturgy. Monday 2nd March (7:30 to 9:00pm). Suggested donation: £10. To book or for more information, telephone: 028 7135 1233 or email: thornhillministries@derrydiocese.org; www.thornhillministries.co.uk

The Consumer Council is holdings its fourth annual Consumer Parliament on Friday 6 March 2020, 10am to 2pm. The free event is to help consumers in Northern Ireland learn about their consumer rights, how to manage consumer their household bills and how to save money.



The event is free to attend and a hot lunch is provided. It is being held in Assembly Buildings Conference Centre, Belfast. For more information & free registration, visit: www.consumercouncil.org.uk/consumerparliament2020

St. Oliver Plunkett Greenlough GAC **Lotto:** 10/02/20: 4, 18, 20 & 23. No Winner.

£25: Ciara Scullion & M. McErlean. Jackpot now: £1350.