



## Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

*God has visited his people*

When the Lord saw her he felt sorry for her. **"Do not cry"** he said. We meet Jesus in the Gospel story of this week confronted with a heart-rending scene. A woman, who was a widow, was bringing her only son for burial. He could have passed on by, but does not. Instead he brings new life to her by giving her back her son. One of the lovely features of the Gospels is the way Jesus treats women with such dignity. In the culture of his day women were very much second-class citizens. In his eyes they were very precious. This was a scandal to many of those who opposed him. We are still fighting that battle today in both the Church and society. Many words are used about equality but actions are very often a denial of these words. **The first place where this equality needs to take place is in marriage and family life. The second place has to be the community that professes faith in Jesus Christ.**

*Fr. Johnny Doherty, C.Ss.R.*

# Sunday 5th June 2016

**Monday - Thursday: 9.00am.**

**Friday: 7.30pm.**

**Saturday: 10.00am; 7.30pm.**

**Sunday: 9.00am & 11.00am.**



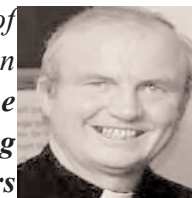
**Rosary:** The Bethany Bereavement Group will lead the Rosary this **Sunday, 5th June at 3.00pm in St. Oliver Plunkett Church.**



**Sick/Housebound:** Fr. Hasson will visit the sick & housebound this **Monday 6th June.**



**Bishop Donal** - I received a very warm letter of thanks from Bishop Donal last week for the welcome he received when he came to offer the Sacrament of Confirmation to our young people on April 17th. **He acknowledged the importance of the occasion for the young people, their parents, families, teachers and the whole faith community.** He asked that his thanks should be passed on to the schools and those who provided refreshment in the halls. **Fr. Eugene Hasson.**



**Commemoration of the Faithful Departed**

**& Blessing of Graves, Sunday 12th June - 3.00pm**

**Holy Water:** Water will be blessed at all Masses next Saturday 11th & Sunday 12th June.

**Car Parking:** Please follow the stewards' instructions and avoid parking along the road, to ensure a free flow of traffic before and after the ceremony.



**Collection:** An opportunity will be provided for those who wish to make a donation towards the upkeep of the cemetery. Thank you for your co-operation.

**Census Forms. Please return forms to the box in the Church this week. Thank You.**



## MONEY COUNTERS



**Collections - 29th May:** £1060.52; **B/Fund:** £480.21.  
**Diocesan Admin:** £16. Thank you for your generosity.  
*The Peter's Pence collection will be held next weekend.*

**Counters for June - Paul Madden; Fintan McErlean & Adrian McErlean.** Thanks to Margaret Birt, Claire Toner, Bernie Scullion & Evelyn O'Neill who counted during May.

**9th WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES - IRELAND**  
 There will be a collection taken up after Communion this weekend at all Masses for this event.

**YEAR OF MERCY PILGRIMAGE** - This Sunday, **June 5th**, the Co. Derry Deanery will celebrate the **Year of Mercy Pilgrimage**. **Dungiven Parish** is the host parish and we as the parish of Greenlough are encouraged to go along and celebrate this unique event in the deanery.

*The Pilgrimage will begin with a Service of Reconciliation and Confessions at 2.00pm in St. Patrick's Church, Dungiven.* After confessions a **procession** will take place from the **Church** to the site of the **Old Priory** where **Mass** will be celebrated with Bishop McKeown as chief celebrant.



### Columba Community Pilgrim Walks

**Sunday 5th June at 3pm:** The annual pilgrim walk to the **Cross of Reconciliation on Golan Hill, Fahan** starting from St Mura's Cross, Church Brae, Fahan.

**St Columba's Day, Thursday 9th June at 3pm:** Pilgrim walk to **Longtower Church** starting at Celtic Peace Garden at IOSAS Centre, Lenamore Road, Muff. All Welcome.



## Clonard Solemn Novena 15th - 23rd June 2016

Watch live on [www.clonard.com](http://www.clonard.com)



**MASS TIMES**  
**SUNDAYS:**  
*Vigil:* 7.30pm  
*Morning:*  
 9.00am & 11am  
**Holydays:**  
*Vigil:* 7.30pm  
*During the day:*  
 9.00am & 11am  
**WEEKDAYS:**

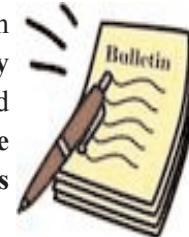
*Mon - Thurs:*  
**9.00am**  
*Friday:* 7.30pm  
*Saturday:* 10am  
**First Fridays:**  
 7.30pm

**CONFESSIONS**  
**Saturdays:**  
 After Vigil Mass  
**Eves of First Fridays & Holydays:**  
 After evening Mass

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**Parish Newsletter** - As Paddy will be on Holiday from **Wednesday 8th - Thursday 16th June**, the newsletter for next weekend will be printed early. **All notices need to be sent to the Parish office by 10.00am this Tuesday.** Thank you for your co-operation.



**Working in Partnership with St Mary's College, Twickenham, the Derry Diocesan Catechetical Centre** will offer the **MA in Catholic School Leadership**, beginning **Autumn 2016**. This is a post graduate degree dedicated to the professional development



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and spiritual formation of Catholic school leaders. It is a great opportunity for those who aspire to, or have an interest in, leadership roles within the Catholic School system. **An information session will take place in St Mary's College, Derry on Monday 20th June at 4pm.** If you would like to attend the session or require further information please contact **The Derry Diocesan Catechetical Centre: 028 7126 4087** or email [tferry@derrydiocese.org](mailto:tferry@derrydiocese.org).

**Greenlough GAC - Lotto - 30/5 - 2, 18, 24 & 26. Jackpot: £5000 not won. £25 winners:** Imelda Marron, Beechland Pk & Loreto Maguire, Naval Lane. **Jackpot next week £5,000. 2nd Jackpot: £2500.**



### PRAYER FOCUS

*Send your Spirit to teach us your truth  
and guide our actions in your way of peace.*

*Do you know anyone who is very ill at present?  
How could you comfort them this week?*