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Greenlough

3rd Sunday of Advent Gaudete Sunday



Joy in the Lord.

"Happy is the one who does not lose faith in me." Over the past few years many people have lost faith in Christ and in his Church. There have been very good reasons for this, particularly the



sins of others that have shocked and rocked us all. However this Christmas is another call to us to renew our faith in Christ, and our loyalty to his Church. We are brought again to the simple crib where God shows us the gentleness of his love. We can let go of the past in this simple place. We can let ourselves be healed from anger or bitterness by this Lord who is among us as a helpless baby. His only desire is that we would be people of compassion for one another and gentleness with one another. We practise this faith firstly in our homes as we grow in love for each member of our family. And we practise it in our community where we can make such a difference in making sure that every person is cared for at this special time. Fr. Johnny Doherty, C.Ss.R.







Monday 16th: 9.00am; Tuesday 17th: 9.00am; Wednesday 18th: 9.00am; Thursday 19th: 9.00am followed by Adoration to 6.00pm

Friday 20th: 7.30pm; Saturday 21st: 10.00am Saturday Vigil: 7.30pm; Sunday 22nd: 9.00am; 11.00am

Month's Mind/Anniversary & Mass Intentions this Week
Sunday 15th December at 11.00am
Month's Mind Mass for Ann Henry, RIP

Saturday 21st December at 10.00am

Month's Mind Mass for Desmond McCann, RIP

Month's Mind Mass for Susan Cunningham, RIP

Saturday 21st December at 7.30pm

Anniversary Mass for Charles McPeake, RIP

Sunday 22nd December at 9.00am

In memory of the McCloy Family, Ballymacpeake, RIP

Sunday 22nd December at 11.00am

Month's Mind Mass for Jean McAteer, RIP

PENITENTIAL SERVICE & ADVENT DEVOTIONS will take place in the Church this

Sunday 15th December at 6.00pm. *Everyone Welcome*.



GIFT

The Liturgy during Mass this Friday 20th December will be a Celebration of the Year 8s and their leaders who have been participating in the GIFT programme.



NEWSLETTER DEADLINE WEDNESDAY 1.00PM. greenloughparish@gmail.com





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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

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

Camogie Club Christmas Coffee Morning - Sunday 15th December 9.00am - 12noon in Bannvalley Hall.



Greenlough GAC: 9/12: 2, 9, 18, 22. No Winner. £25: Niall Bradley & Eimile Downey. Jackpot next week: £850.



TRAINING OPPORTUNITY FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

The Diocese in conjunction with Youthlink NI are offering

an exciting training opportunity for young people aged 16-18 interested in Youth Work & Leadership Training.



The course will be an OCN Level 1 in Practical Youth Award

Work/Ministry Skills. It will run over 3 days - Saturday 18th January, Sunday 2nd February & Saturday 7th March in Maghera Pastoral Centre.

TRAINING OPPORTUNITY FOR ADULTS

The Diocese are also offering a training course for adults interested in Parish Pastoral Ministry.

This course will be a Level 2 Certificate in Youth Work Practice. It will run over 5 Saturdays and a few evenings beginning on Wednesday 4th March 6.00pm - 9.00pm in Maghera Pastoral Centre.



If you are interested in either of the above courses, please contact Yvonne Rooney, the Diocesan Pastoral Youth Leader for more details or an application form. Eyvonne.rooney@derrydiocese.org; tel: 028 7126 4087.

Craft Fair - Sunday 15th December - St John Bosco Community Hall, Ballynease, 3 - 7pm. Adm £2. Proceeds to Kilronan School, Magherafelt. Free refreshments.



Website:

Lavey Parish Mass Schedule: 16th - 22nd December Monday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday: 9.15am

Wednesday 18th at 7.30pm: St Brigid's PS, Christingle Mass/Christmas Show in Our Lady of Mercy Church



Adoration - after Friday morning Mass until 5pm Saturday 21st December: 7.00pm - Vigil Mass Sunday 22nd December: Masses at 9.00am & 11.00am Lavey Penitential Service: 4.00pm. All Welcome.



Greenlough Parish Collections - 8th December Weekly/Monthly: £1532.89. B/Fund: £124.00. Thank you.



Greenlough Christmas Mass Bouquets

£2 each, available from: Brigid O'Neill, Marie Toner, Sue McKeever, Loretto Maguire, Joe Clarke. Cards are on sale after all Masses this Saturday & Sunday.



Bann Valley Community Group

We wish to acknowledge the contribution from Mid-Ulster Council for the Communities Venue Grant & for the Festive Lighting Grant, and also we are grateful for their continuous support.



St. Vincent de Paul Society, Greenlough If there is anyone in our community that you know would need a Christmas Dinner on December 25th please contact Sheila at 077 6465 4573 or **028 2582 1776** as soon as you can please.

WJ O'Donnell & Sons Funeral Director's are hosting "A Christmas Gathering" of seasonal music & song performed by Michael Mawhinney & Una McGill in their Funeral Home at 41-43 Mount Street, Ballymena this Sunday 15th December from 5pm - 7pm. All proceeds are in aid of "Action Mental

Health". Everyone is most welcome. Light refreshments will be served.