

NEWSLETTER

Parish of Aughaninshin Church of the Irish Martyrs



Do this in Memory....

This year in our parish, for the first time, we will be running the 'Do this in Memory' programme for the children making their First Communion during the month of May next year. This programme is a parish based programme aimed at helping children prepare to receive this important sacrament. It doesn't replace but compliments the preparation that takes place in school and also helps parents and guardians by providing material they can use at home to pray with and talk to their children about the sacrament.

The programme takes place on one Sunday each month for the eight months leading up to the celebration of First Communion, with an additional one taking place on Corpus Christi when everyone has received their First Communion. It takes place during the normal Sunday Mass and in this way it invites and involves the wider parish community to help the children prepare for their sacraments through their prayer and support. On each of the Sunday's of the programme the parents/guardians and families of those preparing for First Communion are invited to prepare for and participate in this Mass and each month a group of parents and guardians will meet to plan and coordinate the next Sunday of the programme.

The first Sunday of this programme will be take place next weekend (4th October) at both the 9: 30 am and 11: 30 am Mass. This will be their Enrolment Sunday, when both the children with their parents / guardians, will make promises to commit themselves to the programme and when the wider parish community will agree to help them with us all renewing our baptismal promises.

We hope this programme will enhance the preparation the children receive during the year ahead, but also that it will help families and the wider parish community grow in their knowledge and understanding of their faith and what the Eucharist means to us all.

The dates of the Sunday's of the Programme for the next nine months or so are to be found on the parish website. www.irishmartyrs.com

Times of Masses & Services

Mass Times

Sunday Masses

Saturday Evening	6.30pm
Sunday Morning	9.30am & 11.30am

Weekday Masses

Monday to Saturday	9.30am
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Confessions

After Saturday evening Mass or on request

Baptisms

1st & 3rd Sunday of the month at 12.30pm
2nd & 4th Saturday of the month at 4pm

Parents who wish to have their child baptised must give at least 2 weeks notice and will be visited by members of the Baptism Preparation Team to assist you in your preparation for the Sacrament.

*No times outside of the above
are available for Baptisms.*

Parents/Guardians of children for Confirmation this year are invited to attend the following meeting in the Community Room:

Lurgybrack NS & Ballyraine NS
Monday, 27th September at 7.30pm

Woodland NS & Educate Together NS
Tuesday, 28th September at 7.30pm

Please contact the office
if you are unable to attend
either of these meetings.



This weekend we welcome

**Kayla Bridie Kennedy
Cormac Roughan &
Caellum Roughan**

into God's Community

TEXT ALERT & NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH SCHEME

It is planned to extend the Drumoghill scheme to come as far as the Polestar Roundabout. A Public Meeting will be held in the Community Hall, Bonagee on Tuesday 29th September at 9 pm. In attendance will be Sergeant Paul Wallace, Vanessa Clarke (Community Development Officer for this Region) and a representative from the Drumoghill Committee. It is hoped that this important meeting would be very well attended.

SCOIL MHUIRE GAN SMÁL - OPEN AFTERNOON

The school is open to the public from 4.00 p.m. – 6.00 p.m. on Sunday, 4th October. Anyone who would like the opportunity to view school facilities is very welcome to visit at this time. Further information on www.smsgletterkenny.ie.

VINCENT'S - SVP CHARITY SHOP

Members of the St Vincent de Paul are appealing to the public to please donate clothes, shoes, and household goods that are in good condition. In particular we need bric-a-brac at present. We open Monday to Saturday, 10am to 5.15pm. Please do not drop bags at the front doors outside of opening times. These goods can get wet and sometimes do not get to the people for whom they are intended. Also, could you give an hour or so of your time to help us in our shop? We need volunteers to help sort donated goods. Any time you could give us would be really appreciated.

L/KENNY ACTIVE RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION

Please note that there will no meal on the last Wednesday in September.

ST PATRICK'S N.S., LURGYBRACK

St Patrick's N.S., Lurgybrack are hosting an open afternoon from 1 pm until 3.30 pm on Friday, 2nd October 2015 to give parents/pupils past and present an opportunity to see the new extension and Autism Centre.

Parish Contact Details

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Parish Office

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KNOCK PILGRIMAGE

HUMAN LIFE INTERNATIONAL

"A Day in Honour of Our Lady". This pilgrimage will take place in Knock on Saturday 3rd October 2015 commencing with Mass at 3pm. There will be a Free Bus from Derry to Knock. To book your seat phone Mary on (087) 6956111 or Knock Centre on (094) 93 75993.

'I WOULD WALK THESE FIELDS AGAIN'

a play celebrating the life of Canon McDyer of Glencolmcille at An Grianán Theatre on Friday 2nd October at 8pm. Tickets are €12/€10. Call 9120777 to book.

PASTORAL CENTRE

ANGER MANAGEMENT COURSE

This 6-week course is for those seeking better ways of dealing with anger and conflict, either at home, in relationships or at work and offers the opportunity to understand/explore how to manage it, recognise what triggers it, learn a range of techniques to release anger. Begins Wednesday, 30th September 2015 @ 7.30pm
Facilitator: Kathy O'Connor, Life Coach.
Sponsored by Donegal ETB. Call 074-9121853 for more information.

HSE RETIRED GROUP & FRIENDS

Matinee in Millenium on Saturday, 21st November at 3pm. Musical White Christmas plus evening meal in Newtown. Bookings to be made ASAP as tickets must be bought in advance. To book call Kathleen 9121551, Brid 9122605 or Charlie 9126696.

LETTERKENNY ART GROUP

Will start a 10 week course on Thursday, 1st October from 7.30 to 9.30pm. All welcome. For more information call 9125082 in the Pastoral Centre.

PATHWAYS

Have you ever thought about exploring your faith....or wished that you could broaden your understanding of your faith. **For more information** please visit the diocesan webpage: www.raphoediocese.com. Tel: +353 (74) 9121853 or email me at: gdohertryaphoediocese@gmail.com or write to: **Gráinne Doherty**, Director for Pastoral Development, Raphoe Diocese, Pastoral Centre, Monastery Ave; Letterkenny, Co. Donegal.



Due to the official opening of Lurgybrack National School on Friday, 2nd October

Fr. Brian & Fr. James will visit the sick & housebound on THURSDAY, 1ST OCTOBER at the usual times.