

Mass Times

Sunday Masses

Saturday Evening 6.30pm
Sunday Morning 9.30am & 11.30am

Weekday Masses

Monday to Friday 9.30am

Confessions

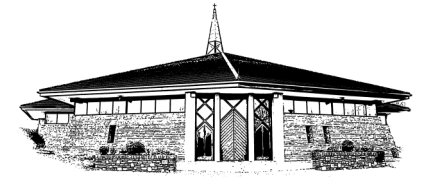
After Saturday evening Mass & on request

Eucharistic Adoration

Wednesdays after 9.30am Mass
until 9pm & 1st Saturday from 7.30pm
to 9.30am Sunday

Church of the Irish Martyrs

9th June 2019



Newsletter

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Fr. Brian Quinn P.P.

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GRAVEYARD SERVICES 2019

Conwal - Sunday 7th July at 4pm
Aughaninshin - Monday 8th July at 7pm
Old Leck - Sunday 14th July at 4pm
New Leck - Sunday 14th July at 5pm

Baptisms

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

Parents, living in the Parish, 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.

Seeds of Faith Newsletter

Available in the Front Porch
& on our Facebook Page

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PENTECOST SUNDAY - The Miracle of Change.

Before the coming of the Spirit, the apostles were virtually living in hiding in the upper room. A great task had been entrusted to them, yet they had neither the strength nor the will to begin it. But after Pentecost they were changed people. What was it that the Holy Spirit did to them, and how did the miracle of change come about? Even though we are dealing with mystery, that doesn't mean we can't understand anything about it. We have to realise that the apostles were wounded people. They were wounded by doubt and grief, by fear and failure, and above all by a sense of inadequacy.

Jean Vanier was a man who knew a great deal about what helps wounded people to change. He had set up little communities around the world for (mentally) handicapped people. When the handicapped are locked away in institutions, terrible damage is done to their hearts and spirits. A wounded body will heal naturally, but not a wounded heart. A wounded heart will harden, just to survive, and then fill up with anger and bitterness.

But when the handicapped are taken out of the institutions where they are made to feel unwanted and put into communities where they are loved, Vanier had witnessed over and over again, the miracle of change. This helps us to understand something of what happened to the apostles....they were wounded. But after the coming of the Spirit they were changed people. They left their hiding place and set out courageously to preach the Gospel.

We mustn't think that the change (the healing of heart) was affected in an instant. It had to be a gradual thing, a growth process. And growth can be slow and painful. We do not easily let go of old habits and attitudes. People change when they are given hope; when someone believes in them, and gives them a task to do. Above all, they change when they are loved. They come out of their shells and hidden energies are released in them. The miracle of human change is the only real miracle.



PRAYER FOR PENTECOST SUNDAY

Come, Holy Spirit. Come, with strength for the weak, courage for the fearful, light for those in darkness, comfort for the sorrowful, healing for the sick and injured, guidance for those who are lost, faith for those who are in doubt, hope for those who have no hope, and love for those who have no love. Come Holy Spirit, kindle in us the fire of your love and we shall renew the face of the earth. **Amen**

WOODLAND NS OSKARS

Woodland NS and the Parents Association are presenting a fundraising event, The OsKaRs, in the Silver Tassie Hotel on Friday, 14th June. We have produced 7 films which will be screened, judged and OsKaRs awarded on the night: Forrest Gump; Fr Ted; The Blues Brothers (Sisters); Calendar Girls; Sister Act; Michael Collins; The Snapper. Tickets are €30 and are available from the Silver Tassie Hotel or the school office.

CEILI

A Ceili will be held in Bonagee Community Centre on Sunday 9th June. Dancing 8pm—11pm. Admission €7 (including supper). Everyone welcome.

LETTERKENNY ACTIVE RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION

The next meeting of LARA will take place on Thursday 13th June in the Regional Cultural Centre, Letterkenny at 2.30 p.m. New members welcome.

TEA, COFFEE AND COMPANY

On Thursday 13th June, Tea, coffee and good company will be available in the Community room, Church of the Irish Martyrs, after the 9.30am mass until 11.00am. Why not pop in for a cuppa and a chat. Everyone welcome.

PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES

A pilgrimage to Lourdes will take place from 30th August to 4th September, departing from Knock. 5 nights full board, €735 per person sharing. Bus to Knock extra. For further details and to book, call K. McKeague on 91 21551.

ART EXHIBITION

Letterkenny Lions Club invite you to an Art Exhibition in Frame Masters Gallery, Letterkenny, on Thursday 13th June 2019 at 7.30pm in aid of the North West Simon Community. The exhibition will continue until Friday 28th June. All welcome.



MASS OF PENTECOST

You are warmly invited to join Bishop Alan McGuckian and Choirs from around the Diocese in St. Eunan's Cathedral for **Mass as 3 pm, today, Sunday 9th June.**

PIONEER MASS AND PRESENTATION OF PINS

Fr. Brendan Ward will celebrate Mass & Presentation of Pins on Monday 24th June at 7.30pm in the Church of the Irish Martyrs. Any adult Pioneer who qualify for a new pin, please contact Bridie 086-4027456 ASAP. 10 year pin is €16.50, 25 year pin is €44.00 (silver), 50 year pin is €46.00 (gold), 60 year pin is €24.00 (diamond).

CURSILLO ULTREYA

The Cursillo Ultreya will be held in the Church of the Irish Martyrs on Sunday 9th June at 8pm. All members, new and old are very welcome.

ANAM CARA PARENT EVENING

Anam Cara Donegal, the organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding a Parent Evening on Thursday 13th June at 7:20pm in the Radisson Blu Hotel, Letterkenny, Co. Donegal. This event is free and open to all bereaved parents regardless of the age your child died, the circumstances of their death, or whether their death was recent or not. Please note there are no events in July or August. Please contact us on info@anamcara.ie or 085 2888888.

PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK SHRINE

A pilgrimage to Knock Shrine will take place on Saturday 29th June, the Feast of Saints Peter and Paul. The day includes workshops in St John's Rest and Care centre, on the Catechism of the Catholic Church including an introduction to Youcat and Youcat for Kids. Also, Rosary, Stations of the Cross and Celebration of Holy Mass at 3pm. For more information, contact Máirín on 087 795 0325 or Br. Jeremy Heneghan at eineachain@gmail.com or go to www.catechism.ie



Those who donated more than €250 to the Church in 2018 will have received a CHY Cert. Last year the parish claimed €34,187 by availing of this scheme. There has been a great response already, so a sincere thanks to those who have completed the form and we thank those who will complete their forms and return to us when it is convenient.