St Mary's Bellaghy/St Joseph's Ballyscullion. 29th November 2020. First Sunday of Advent.

St Mary's. Mass Times.

Mon, Tues, Thurs and Fri at 9.30am.

Vigil (Sat) 6.30pm

Sun 10am. (during lockdown)

Masses are available to view on the webcam.

Sunday evening @ 7.00pm a time of prayer via webcam

### **ANNIVERSARIES**

Sat/Sun 28th/29th: Philomena Cushley, Emmett McNally, Patricia Do-

herty, Gerry Rea, Eileen Scullin

Mon 30th: Liz Hutchinson, William Stockman

Tues 1st Dec: Brian O'Neill

Wed 2nd James McCartney

Thurs 3rd: Joey McPeake, Kathleen O'Kane

Fri 4th,

Sat/Sun 5th/6th:

### **CHRISTMAS MASSES IN THE PARISH**

St Mary's Bellaghy: Christmas Eve at 4.00 pm, 6.30pm and 9.00pm

Christmas Day: 8.00am, 10.00am and 11.30am

Reservation for the masses is via <u>mass-time.com</u> This is set up to take 120 people per mass .If you cannot get the first mass of your choice then try the next one. We ask people to make reservation for one mass only as we wish to accommodate as many as possible.

If all masses are booked out you can still come to the car park and listen to a particular mass and be welcome to receive Holy Communion after the congregation has received.

Booking on website mass-time.com will go live at 12.00 noon on Monday 30th November.

St Joseph's Ballyscullion: Christmas Eve at 6.00pm; Christmas Day at 9.00am.

Reservation is to be made via the <u>WhatsApp</u> starting on 8th December. Again please do not reserve for two masses. If there is no spaces left, you can still come and listen via external speakers.

#### CLOSURE OF CHURCHES IN N. IRELAND

Most people are familiar by now of the above announcement.. It means for us that there will be no public masses in churches from Friday 27th November until Friday 11th of December.

Exceptions to this are funeral and weddings with a limit of 25 people. There is no directive at the moment on Baptisms or private prayer. As soon as there is clarification we will publish what the ruling is going to be.

On Saturday /Sunday 28/29 November and Saturday /Sunday5/6 December mass via webcam; Saturdays @6.30 pm and Sunday mornings @ 10.00 am.

Weekday mass from Friday 27th November until 11th December will also be on webcam @9.30 each weekday..

We trust that this lockdown for two weeks will be sufficient. Everyone needs to play their part in helping to slow down the spread of the Virus. We help those who are overstressed in our hospitals. We are in solidarity with those who are suffering and with families who have been

Bereaved. Hopefully our efforts will make it a better Christmas celebration for everyone.

<u>Prayer Resources and Activities for Families for November:</u> The Derry Diocesan Catechetical Centre has created a range of prayer resources for families to use at home during November in memory of loved ones who have died. These include practical ways to pray together at home, prayers you can use and tips on creating a sacred space for prayer. To view all the available resources, visit <a href="https://www.catecheticalcentre.org">www.catecheticalcentre.org</a>

**THE NET**: The November edition of The Net is now available online, on www.derrydiocese.org . You are invited to read 
Net, on the diocesan website, at your convenience.

## St Vincent de Paul Christmas Appeal.

During this year of Pandemic our St Vincent de Paul Society has missed out on much needed funds. This Christmas we will not be giving out hampers but we hope to give food vouchers and no doubt help with heating.

We appeal to you to make donations of food vouchers or money. Please put your donation in an envelope marked SVP and give it to any S.V.P member or drop it into the Parish Office. Thank you for all your previous help and hopefully your generosity will continue and we pray that 2021 will see an end to Covid 19.

**NINE HOURS of PRAYER** in St Mary's Bellaghy on 8th December for an end to this Pandemic and for the wellbeing of our people.

Mass @ 10.00am, Angelus & Rosary 12.00, Divine Mercy @ 3.00 Stations of the Cross @ 5.00 finishing with evening Prayer and Benediction @ 7.00. Exposition of Blessed Sacrament from after mass until 7.00pm People are encouraged to visit for personal Prayer during the day All of the above will be available on the webcam.

**Facemasks/Coverings-** In line with new legislation Face Masks / Coverings must be worn in Church unless you have a medical condition; they may only be removed for the reception of Holy Communion & should cover both mouth & nose.

Funeral Masses & Weddings – Numbers are limited to 25 and restricted to family only.

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(Emergency only)

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02825 821190

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02879 386259

SVP Society:

Bellaghy 07508549588

Lifeline

0808 808 8000

Samaritans 08457 909090

or

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A Spiritual Communion My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You.

Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

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We welcome into God's Family through Baptism: Frankie Griffin, Ballyscullion Rd, Toome.



The Offertory Collection last Sunday amounted to

£1,560.00 Thank You!



# **Congratulations to**



Majella Davidson and Philip Wilson

Recently married in St Mary's Bellaghy.

CHRISTMAS MASS BOUQUETS. These will not be available this year due to present circumstance. However do feel free to inform your family/friends etc that they will be remembered in our Christmas masses. Any donation which you would like to give in lieu can be given to St Vincent de Paul Christmas appeal.