



Table Quiz will take place on 8 Dec (7.30pm) in HomePlace café. Proceeds from the raffle will go to Kinship Care in Magherafelt, who provide Christmas gifts to local children. Call 028 79387444 to book, or online at: <https://seamusheaneyhome.com/upcoming-events/>

Friends of Bellaghy Lotto No's: 2, 20, 29, 30

2 winners of £25 each Callan Doherty & Frankie Donnelly. Jackpot: £5,000

Castledawson GAC: Lotto; 12, 13, 16, 17. £25 each to Maura Durkan & Brogan Heaney
Jackpot now £700.

Off The Cuff Community Theatre Presents: "West Clare Railway Sues Percy!"

On Sun 4 December at 7.30pm in Seamus Heaney Homeplace. Min donation: £5

All proceeds in aid of Air Ambulance, in memory of Ethan McCourt.

Open Door Complex:

Farmers Market, First Saturday of every month 10am – 2pm Cafe Open.

Luncheon Club: Monday 12:00noon— 1:00pm

Community Cafe: After Mass on Sunday. Last Sunday of each month.

Legion Of Mary now meet in the hall every Wednesday 6:00pm to 7:00pm. All welcome.

Pantomime Time!! Bellaghy Pantomime players Present Cinderella at

The OpenDoor Complex Fri 16 at 8:00pm, Sat 17 at 8:00pm, Sun 18 Dec at 2:30pm

& 8:00pm. To book your tickets call Noel- 07841510222,

Hughie-07809896259, Paddy- 0287938677, adult £10 child £5.

Year of Vocations: In today's Gospel Jesus asks His followers to be attentive - to "stay awake" to "stand ready." We pray that those whom the Lord is calling to follow Him and serve His people as priests, deacons or religious will be "awake" to the call of the Lord in their hearts. If you are considering such a vocation, contact the Diocesan Vocations Director, Fr Pat O'Hagan, at pgoh2111@gmail.com or email info@vocations.ie



St Mary's Bellaghy/St Joseph's Ballyscullion.

27 November 2022

First Sunday of Advent

Mass Times:

Mon 28 Nov: 9.30am, Bellaghy

Tues 29: 9.30am, Greenlough

Wed 30: 9.30am, Bellaghy, (with prayers for the sick)

Thurs 1 Dec: 7.30pm, Greenlough

Fri 2: 9.30am, Bellaghy. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 10am—6.30pm. Rosary at 6.30pm.

Sat 3: Vigil at 5.30pm (Greenlough) 7pm (Bellaghy)

Sun 4: 9am (Greenlough) 10am (St Joseph's) 11am (Bellaghy)

St Joseph's Ballyscullion:

Rosary and prayers are recited on Monday evenings at 7pm in St Joseph's.

All are welcome.

Greenlough Parish - Service For Deceased Family and Friends on Sun 27 Nov at 3pm in St Oliver Plunkett, Greenlough.

Preparing for Christmas with the Scriptures: The readings for Advent and Christmas invite us to celebrate the coming of Jesus Christ into the world as our Lord and Saviour. If you would like to take a prayerful look at the Sunday readings, there will be a meeting in the Prayer Room at St Mary's Church, Bellaghy, on Monday, beginning at 7.30pm.

Children's Liturgy will recommence this weekend Saturday / Sunday 26/27 November. This is ideally for children in P1—P4, but older (P5—P7) siblings are welcome to join them.

The Annual Carol Service will take place in St Mary's Church, Bellaghy on Sunday 11 December at 6.30pm.



December Schedules:

St Mary's : Eucharistic Ministers:

Vigil: C O'Neill, M Larkin, B McMenamin, J McGoldrick.

11am: M Scullion, T O'Kane E Davidson, P Diamond..

Weekdays: Morning: Betty Campbell

Readers: Vigil: Louise Steele **11am** Fidelma McClenaghan

Weekdays: Anyone interested, please contact the parish office.

Church Cleaners: John Paul II students

Church Stewards: Vigil: Francis Diamond, Aidan Diamond.

11am: Brian Scullion, Peter Diamond.

Car Park: Pius Diamond & Chris Diamond.

Altar Society: Kathleen McGoldrick

St Joseph's : Eucharistic Ministers: K McErlain & C Quinn

Reader: Neil Duffin

Altar Society: 4 Dec: Una Campbell. **11 Dec:** Maura McErlain

18 & 25 Dec: Helen Duffin

ANNIVERSARIES

Sat/Sun 26/27:Nov. Willie Kearney (1st Anniversary Mass at 7pm), Margaret McCallen, Emmet McNally, Charles Gormley, Michael Scullion, Seamus Smith, Danny McCann, Hubert Kilpatrick,

Mon 28: Philomena Heaney, Gerry Rea

Tues 29: Mary Blue,

Wed 30: Liz Hutchinson

Sat/Sun 3/4 Dec. : Margaret McErlain (3rd Anniversary at 7pm), Michael McGlinchey (month's mind at 7pm), Harry McErlain, Liam McCloskey, Ryan McGuckin, Harry Langan, Brian O'Neill, Kathleen O'Kane, Joey McPeake, *May they rest in peace.*

Sacred Heart Messenger 2023: The subscription of £22 is now due, and should be returned to your promotor or the Parish Office or Sacristy. *Cheques should be made payable to St Mary's Church.*

St Vincent de Paul Family Appeal.

In previous years our community has generously donated to the Family Christmas Appeal. Once again we are requesting that **vouchers** be donated as this will enable families to get whatever is necessary. Vouchers which would be suitable could be purchased from: Muldoon's, Overend's Butchers, O'Neill's Magherafelt, Smyths, Toymaster (Cuddy's), O2 shop, McConnell's, Bellaghy Pharmacy, B&M Bargains, One for All. Our families would need time to use these vouchers so we need them by **8 December, please.** Thanking you in anticipation. ***There will still be the special SVP collection before Christmas, which will be taken up on the weekend of 10/11 December.***

Children In Crossfire Advent Appeal: If you would like to contribute to the annual Children in Crossfire Advent appeal, please take one of their envelopes which you'll find in the church, and return it with your donation **on or before Sunday 8 January 2023.**

There will be a special collection next weekend after both Masses at St Mary's for **School Aid Romania**. The project involves twenty pupils from St Patrick's College, Maghera going to Romania in January 2023 and helping those in need. Eimear Doherty, Megan Doyle and Nola Scullion from our parish will be taking part. They will visit children in orphanages, elderly in care homes and families living in poverty. All of the money raised will be used to provide supplies and aid for those who are most in need. ***Any donation, no matter how big or small, will be greatly appreciated.***

Specialist Group are holding an **Ultimate Charity Christmas Raffle**, hoping to raise £100,000 for 12 local charities and families in need. Tickets (£20 each) may be purchased at www.specialistcharitycompetitions.com Tickets for their Project Santa at Specialist HQ, Maghera, on Saturday 3 & Sunday 4 December may be purchased at www.projectspecialist.co.uk

The Offertory Collection for the past week amounted to £1,655.00 (203 envelopes returned). Thank you for your generosity.

Any cheques should be made payable to "St Mary's Church" as per Bank instructions.



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Envelopes

