



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: 18, 22, 25, 29

2 winners of £25 each L Walls & Paul McKenna Jackpot: £5,000

Bellaghy GAC: AGM on Sun 4 December at 6pm in The Social Club.

<u>Castledawson GAC</u>: Lotto; 7, 15, 19, 20. £25 each to Roisha Lupari & Paul Gribbin

Jackpot now £800.

Open Door Complex:

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

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

<u>Pantomime Time!!</u> 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-0709896259,Paddy- 028793877, adult £10 child £5.

<u>Bellaghy Historical Society:</u> Next meeting on Tuesday 13 Dec at 8pm in The Old School Centre. "Pictures of Bellaghy through the years" speakers George McIntyre & Seamus McErlean.

<u>Year of Vocations:</u> Just as John the Baptist answered the call to be a "voice in the wilderness" to "prepare a way for the Lord" – we pray for those in our society who are called to be the voice in the wilderness of our modern society by living their lives in service as a priest, deacon or religious.

The next monthly Holy Hour for Vocations will take place in St Eugene's Cathedral, Derry, on Friday 9 December, at 8pm, and will be led by the Diocesan Vocations Director, Fr Pat O'Hagan, PP Bellaghy and Greenlough. Those unable to attend are invited to follow the Service on the Cathedral webcam at: www.steugenescathedral.com

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. 4 December 2022 Second Sunday of Advent

Mass Times:

Mon 5: 9.30am, Bellaghy

Tues 6: 9.30am, Greenlough

Wed 7: 9.30am, Bellaghy, (with prayers for the sick)

7pm, Bellaghy (vigil for Holyday)

7pm, Ballyscullion (Vigil for Holyday)

Thurs 8 Dec (Feast of the Immaculate Conception):

9.30am, Bellaghy

9.30am & 7.30pm Greenlough

Fri 9: 9.30am, Bellaghy.

Sat 10: Vigil at 5.30pm (Greenlough) 7pm (Bellaghy)

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

Thursday 8 December is The Feast Of The Immaculate Conception and is a Holyday of Obligation.

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.

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



<u>Parish Christmas Mass Bouquets</u> are available from the Sacristy and Parish Office. *Minimum donation £2*.

This year proceeds will go to the Macmillan Unit, Antrim Area Hospital.

December Schedules:

St Mary's: Eucharistic Ministers:

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

11am: M Scullion, T O'Kane, 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

<u>Deaths:</u> Mary Doherty RIP (Carrigart)

ANNIVERSARIES

Sat/Sun 3/4: Margaret McErlean (3rd Anniversary at 7pm), Michael McGlinchey (month's mind at 7pm), Peggy McErlean (months mind Mass Sun at 11am) Harry McErlean, Liam McCloskey, Ryan McGuckin, Harry Langan, Brian O'Neill, Kathleen O'Kane, Joey McPeake, Sarah O'Neill, Mary Mulholland, James & Ellen Duffin,

Mon 5: John McGrath, Thurs 8: Philip Scullion.

Fri 9:Willie John & Philomena McErlean,

Sat/Sun10/11: Siobhan McErlean (month's mind Mass at 7pm), George

Laverty (1st Anniversary Mass 10am St Joseph's),

Sharon Scullion (1st Anniversary Mass at 11am), Margaret McNally, Gemma Mulholland and Bridie Mulholland (30th Anniversary), Paddy Mackle, Sadie Kilpatrick (40th Anniversary), John O'Neill, Susan Nugent. *May they rest in peace.*

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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: Children in Crossfire Advent Appeal boxes are now available at the back of the chapel. As we all know drinking dirty water costs lives — particularly children's lives — up to 70,000 per year in Ethiopia alone. Our appeal this year aims to build 6 wells in rural communities in Ethiopia providing clean safe water for thousands. Thank you for your support We ask that envelopes are returned on or before Sunday 8 January.

There will be a special collection this 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