### **Derry Diocesan Youth Pilgrimage to Fatima**

We are inviting young people aged 16 + to join us on pilgrimage to Fatima for 4 nights from 14 July to 18 July. This will be a unique experience for young people and an opportunity to engage with their peers from around the world in a faith context. Cost is £700 and there will be a budget plan to help with this. Names and deposit of £100 are required as soon as possible to secure a place. For more information or to book contact lizzie.rea@derrydiocese.org 02871264087

**40th All Ireland Rosary Rally** on Sat 7 June 2025 at Knock Shrine. For details see leaflets in Church porch.

**Knock All Ireland Adoration Pilgrimage** on Sun 6 April. Contact Una to book 07743575969, £20 deposit to secure a seat. Bus leaves Toome at 6.45pm.

**St. Malachy's G.A.C.** – Lotto Numbers: 4 13 15 18. No Winner £25 Prizes to Siobhan McNicholl and Mervyn McClenaghan. Jackpot next week £1300 The Club Pavilion is available to members and friends for private parties, birthdays, anniversaries, meetings etc. – for further details or to book contact Paddy on 07752368784.

**Bellaghy Historical Society** Next meeting on Tues 8 April at 8pm in the Old School Centre. Topic: Medieval Medicine. Speaker: Stephanie Lavery.

**New Weekly Envelopes** will be distributed at the end of March.

Please let us know if any of the following apply:

Change of name, address or any other details.

If you have recently moved into the Parish.

If you would like to sign up for Gift Aid.

If you would like to pay by Standing Order.

Contact Sally-Ann 02879 386259 or email: info@bellaghyparish.com

Please note: some envelope numbers have changed this year.

Congratulations to St Pat's Maghera (Hogan Cup Champions 2025)

including our four parishioners on the panel.



# St Mary's, Bellaghy/St Joseph's, Ballyscullion. 23 March 2025. Third Sunday of Lent.

## **St Mary's, Bellaghy:**

Mon, Wed 9.30am Fri, 11am (Confirmation)

Sat Vigil, 7pm Sun, 11am

Adoration every Friday from 10am— 8pm

(Rosary at 7.30pm).



### St Oliver Plunkett, Clady:

Tues, 9.30am Thurs, 7.30pm

Adoration 9am - 5pm Thursday.

¦Sat Vigil, 5.30pm Sun, 9am

St Joseph's Ballyscullion: Sun, 10am

**<u>Deaths:</u>** We offer our sympathy to the family and family circle of

Maureen McMullan, Ballynease Road, who died recently.

#### **ANNIVERSARIES**

Sat/Sun 22/23: Willie McGuckin, Nuala Mulholland, Annie McErlean, Josephine

Scullion, Bridget Loughery, Jim Loughery, Frank Craig, Gerry Diamond,

Mary Hendry, Winnie Graffin, Maisie Ferris, Jim Cassidy,

Sat/Sun 29/30: Seamus Boorman (Month's Mind Mass at 7pm), Fred McLarnon

(Anniversary Mass at 7pm), Francis McAllister (Anniversary Mass at 7pm), Marie

Heaney (Anniversary Mass at 11am), Harry Cassidy (Anniversary Mass Monday

31 at 9.30am) May they rest in peace.



#### Confirmation:

We ask you to keep our young people in your prayers as they prepare to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation on Friday 28 March at 11am.

May the Holy Spirit guide and protect them.

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The Offertory Collection Collection: £2,550.00 Thank you!

**The Clerical Education & Ongoing Formation Collection** £820.00

Please make cheques payable to: St Mary's Church.



In our first reading this weekend God calls Moses to lead His people from exile into the Promised Land. We pray for those being called by God today to lead His people in the ways of faith as priests of the diocese of Derry.



Pilgrims of Hope - A period of Adoration can sometimes end with a Eucharistic Blessing where the sign of the Cross is made with the monstrance containing the Blessed Sacrament which means it is Jesus Himself who is offering the blessing to us. It's a more powerful blessing than we can receive with holy water, or with the relic of a saint, or through the intercession of Our Blessed Lady. In this kind of blessing Jesus comes to us in a very real way. He embraces us with His love and draws us close to Himself. We leave the church with the warmth of His blessing, knowing that He wants us to share the grace of the blessing and of the time spent in prayer with our brothers and sisters in Christ. As the Host is replaced in the tabernacle, we're reminded that Jesus is always there, waiting for us. It's a good thing to visit the church from time to time, even (and maybe especially) on days when we're very busy or distracted, just to spend a few minutes (or more if we can) to offer praise and thanksgiving, as well as our busyness and the things that are distracting us, and praying for those who need the Lord's help in any way.

### **Lenten Sycamore Programme:**

Continues on Tuesday evenings at The OpenDoor Complex 7:30pm and consists of watching a short video, having some discussion and a cuppa!! All welcome.

Accord NI is recruiting experienced practitioners for the Derry and Enniskillen centres, to train in the specialism of couple counselling. Successful applicants will follow an 18-day (9 weekends) in-person Certificate programme, (144 hours class contact), which will provide the clinical skills essential for safe and ethical couples work. Course fees paid and placement provided by Accord NI.

For further information and to obtain an application form please email info@accord.ie

Closing date for receipt of applications 30/04/2025.

**Programme commences September 2025** 

### **Independent Monitoring Board Volunteers required**

IMB members are unpaid public appointees, appointed by ministers to provide independent oversight of what happens in places of detention.

It is a varied and rewarding role. You could be talking to a prisoner or detained person who is worried or vulnerable, who isn't able to access the support they need, or who needs help to sort out some practical problems.

You will get to see and report on everything that happens behind the walls: what day-to-day life is like, whether there is enough education and training to help with rehabilitation, what support there is for the most vulnerable, how physical and mental health needs are met. Visit: <a href="https://www.justice-ni.gov.uk/news/board-opportunity-independent-monitoring-board-seeking-members">https://www.justice-ni.gov.uk/news/board-opportunity-independent-monitoring-board-seeking-members</a>

### Safeguarding Notice

If you have any concerns with regard to Safeguarding children or adults in need of protection within the Church please contact Marie Gormley, the Diocesan Designated Liaison Person (DLP) at +447596 500 793, or at marie.gormley@derrydiocese.org

#### Additional contact numbers:

Northern Ireland: PSNI Tel 101 or Social Services Western HSC Trust Tel +442871314090 (Ask for Duty Social Worker)



Summer Time begins next Weekend - Clocks go forward 1 hour!!