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Parish Office - Easter Sunday - 1st April 2018.

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The Easter Ceremonies.

Many thanks to all in both our Churches who helped with the Easter Ceremonies. This was the first time, when due to the lessening number of clergy available and taking into consideration the attendances last year, the full set of ceremonies were not presented in both Churches in our Parish. Similar situations have taken place in many Parishes throughout the Diocese - these are signs of the present times and a subject for ongoing discussion in days to come.

Refurbishment Work at St. Joseph's Church.

Because First Holy Communion will take place on Sat. April 21st. the proposed refurbishment will begin on Monday April 23rd. The time necessary for the work will become known within a few days of it beginning. It may be possible to simply block off the altar area and continue to use the seated area of the Church, for daily activity.

St. Joseph's Church Easter Raffle.

Many thanks to all who helped organise and present the St. Joseph's Easter raffle which **so far** has accumulated **€2300**. Winners were (1) Kathleen Hannifin (Donegal Town), (2) Margaret Monaghan (Belleek), (3)Siobhan Calpin (c/o M. Duggan)), (4)Teresa Hodgins (Saimer Drive), (5)Bernard Drummond (The Rock), (6)James Doherty (Kinlough), (7)Jim Gorman (Bundoran), (8)Sean Dorrian (c/o Shannons Corner, (9)Diarmuid Drummond (Ballyshannon).

Cemetery Sundays. Because many visitors may be home at this Easter time, Funeral Directors have asked us to publish the dates for Parish Cemetery Sundays - Bundoran Sunday June 11th (St. Ninnidh's 12.30pm. and Finner at 7pm). St. Joseph's Ballyshannon (Sunday Sept 16th. after 10am Mass).

Stand Up for Life - Bundoran Rally

at the Great Northern Hotel Easter Monday April 2nd. at 3pm. Come to this family friendly event and listen to many inspirational speakers. Find out what you can do in the coming weeks to protect both mother and baby and keep the Eighth Amendment.

<u>First Confessions</u> took place in both Primary Schools in recent days. Many thanks to the Teachers and Parents involved. The Confirmation Pledge was also taken by St. Macartan's Sixth Class at their final assembly of the term.

April Mon 9th /Tue 10th./ Wed 11th. A meeting of all Priests in Clogher Diocese will take place in Enniskillen during these days to discuss the present and future situation within the Diocese. Mass during these days will be at 9am. (except for funerals) to allow the Parish Priest to attend. During the month of May, the Parish Priest will also be involved in four Confirmation Ceremonies in other Parishes, as the Chapter of Canons takes such responsibility in the absence of a Bishop.

Please note that ALL envelope and cash donations within our Church collections in 2018 are presumed to be for the upkeep of our Churches and Parish needs.

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Easter Sunday 8.30am Private Intentions.

11.00am People of the Parish.

12.30pm Dec Mbs Kerrigan Family (Ardfarna).

Monday 10.00am. Private Intention. Tuesday 10.00am. Private Intention. Wednesday 10.00am. Prayer Service. Thursday 10.00am. Private Intention. Private Intention. 10.00am. Private Intention,

Saturday 7pm. William & Elizabeth Gilmartin (West End)
Dec Mbs O'Gorman Family & Jim Gavigan.

8.30am. Private intention.

11.00am. Jimmy McGurren (Church Road) M.M.

Special Ministers for April

7pm.
8.30am.
11.00am.
N.Carr, M.Stuttard, A.Davey
M.Doherty. P. Donoghue.
B.Connor, B. Ward, M. Gaffney.

April Ministers of the Word

7pm. John Campbell 8.30am. Paddy Donoghue 11.00am. Breege Connor.

April Altar Society:

Marie Gormely & Tess McCaughey

Weekly Ministers 2/4/18

Minister of the Eucharist
Ozanam House
Minister of the Word
Maire Stuttard
Maire Stuttard.

Church Collectors for April

7pm. Cindy O'Beirne, Kathleen McGrath, Laura Gillespie. **8.30am.** Patricia Brennan, Mary Mulreany.

11am Donal Breslin, Danny Breslin, Joe Smyth,

Matthew Lingard

Altar Servers

Saturday 31st March: Ryan McGloin, Justin Kelly, Lucy Currid, Mischa & Maria Keenan.

Sunday 1st April: Elishia Rodgers, Siofra McMahon, Callum Tierney & Grace Rodgers.

Easter Sunday.

Paul Coyle (Laughill).

Phillipine Drummond (Finner).

Monday 10am. Prayer Service. Tuesday 10am. Prayer Service.

Wednesday Mass 10am. Rock Nursing Unit.

Thursday 10am. Prayer Service Friday 10am. Prayer Service. Saturday. 10am. Prayer Service.

Sunday.

10am. Mary McCaffrey (Assaroe Rd) M.M.

Liturgy Teams for April

Minister of the Word: Bernie Boyle.

Special Ministers of the Eucharist:

Kathleen McDaid & Joan Duffy

Church Collectors:

Front. Eamon Daly Back. Patrick Mc Kenna

Altar Society:

Kathleen Lawless & Maureen Connolly.

Important Future Dates for the Rock.

First Holy Communion Sat April 21st at 11am. **Confirmation** Sunday April 29th at 2pm.

Altar Society: All members are asked to supply a contact telephone number on the sheet available at the back of the church. New members are most welcome.

Parishioners willing to help on a **Finance Committee** to supervise income and expenditure should contact the Office.

Planning for the refurbishment work in St. Joseph's Church is underway and should begin on Monday April 23rd.

A member of "Tus" has kindly been allocated to the grounds of St. Joseph's Church for the coming months. He will maintain the general area of the Church, Cemetery and Priest's House.



We remember all those who have died recently:

Barry Fox (Portnason, Ballyshannon & Omagh).

Church of Our Lady, Star of the Sea, Finances. March 25th. 2018

Sunday Weekly Offering Envelopes €833/ baskets €976 Total €1809.

Thanks to those who have made separate donations to Church Funds.

On-going Church Loan approx €1.3 million. Monthly Bank repayment €10,762.00

All donations to this fund are greatly appreciated.

St Joseph's Church Finances. March 25th.

Sunday Offertory Collection Envelopes €212 Baskets €147 Total €359.00

Sunday Development Fund Envelopes €160 Baskets €72 Total €232.00

Easter Raffle / Draw €2300.00.

Projected Renovation Costing -€38,000.