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Parish Office – Sixth Sunday of Easter — 9th May 2021.

Parish of Magh Éne (Bundoran & St. Joseph's Ballyshannon). Website: www.magheneparish.ie Facebook: Magh Ene Parish

Office Opening Times: 9.30am - 12.30pm. Monday to Friday.

Re-Opening of Our Churches: On Monday May

10th our Churches will reopen for Mass etc., allowing only certain numbers to attend in a manner which continues to protect everyone from the Coronavirus. We intend to again arrange with the seating teams the ways in which the interior of the Church will be arranged. Our local difficulty is facilitating both local people and our summer visitors because it is difficult to explain in a public manner the Church arrangements. Churches will reopen for Mass on May 10th with fifty (50) being allowed to attend on each occasion. Those who will attend must wear masks, sanitize their hands as they enter the Church and remain distanced from each other when seated unless they are a family. The Government will decide when First Holv Communion and Confirmation ceremonies will take place later in the Summer. Numbers for Weddings, Funerals and other Church Services have been increased to fifty (50).

Future Parish Committees: Due to the lessening number of Diocesan Clergy and the increase of organizational pressure on today and tomorrow's clergy, it is highly recommended that as many Parish Committees as possible would learn to operate in an independent manner after having educated themselves in relation to the reasons by which their existence is necessary. Attempting to initiate this

process, we hope to continue to educate both Collection Counting Committees in such ways, as they once again begin their activity in the month of May. Other Committees / Groups will be requested to act in a similar manner. To allow the local Priest to concentrate on sacramental activity and similar requests, future lav activity must help if Parish administration is to be successful. As the Summer months arrive and public safety measures begin to have an effect on people meeting, the Parish will attempt to have the various committees gathering to control and organize their activities. The future success of Parish life will completely depend on such kindness, generosity and contribution in various ways by Parishioners.

We have had many requests in relation to

Baptisms: Many children have passed the usual age of baptism due to the problem of Covid and the inability of more than six to attend the liturgy has been a difficulty for families. We hope to facilitate families in the best way possible during the coming months. Where and when possible, the Parish Priest will try to arrange such baptisms at any times suitable to both the Priest and Family.

<u>Cemetery Blessings:</u> Due to unknown future legislation concerning public meetings, the June Bundoran/Finner Cemetery Blessings cannot be planned, at this time.

Cemetery Entrance at St. Ninnidh's: The old Cemetery gates with a title "St. Ninnidh's Cemetery" is presently being prepared and will soon be in place at the entrance of the Cemetery. It is also hoped, during the Summer months, to repair the walls either side of the Cemetery gates.

Adoration in the Pastoral Centre: The plan to return Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament to the more comfortable setting of the Pastoral Centre will be as follows. Adoration will only take place during the coming weeks of May in the Church on Fridays after Mass from 10.30am - 2pm. From the month of June Adoration will take place in the Pastoral Centre for similar times in the hope that available attendance will be possible to extend that time.

Re-opening of Pastoral Centre: Due to the lessening of Covid restrictions we will soon be able to re-open the Pastoral Centre. Those who have used it in the past or who might like to use it in the future should contact the Parish Office 0719841290 in relation to booking times that would suit their activities.

May the Lord protect, guide and help us in the weeks to come.

We ask all those with family graves in Parish Cemeteries to maintain the areas, in and around the family graves.

We remember all who have died recently: May the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace.

Páid Carty
(West End).
Bridie Tarbuck
(Duncarbery Cottage, Tullaghan).
Noreen Early (Donegal Town),
sister of Mrs. Carr (St. Colm's Tce)

<u>Parish of Magh Éne</u>

Sunday 9th May: – online Mass at 11am Colm Campbell (Drumacrin).

Kevin McPhilomy (Glasgow, Scotland).

Weekday Masses will resume at normal times in Bundoran

Monday – at 10am. Special Intentions.

Tuesday – at 10am.

Private Intentions.

Wednesday – at 10am. Kay Dilworth (Station Road).

Thursday – at 10am.

Private Intentions.

Friday - at 10am.

Private Intentions.

Saturday – Mass at 10am.

WEEKEND MASSES WILL RESUME AT

NORMAL TIMES in Both Churches.

Saturday May 15th.

Mass at 7pm.

Mary Keenan (Rock Road).

Mary Leonard & Patrick Convey (Station Road).

Winnie, Greg, Amanda, Carla, Triona, Caitlin & Greg Jnr. Innes

Sunday 16th May

Mass at 8.30am.

Private Intentions.

Mass at 11am

Denis, Mary & Dec Mbs Carty and O'Reilly Families.

Sunday - St. Joseph's Church at 10am.

Sean McCauley (Killeen).

St. Joseph's Church:

Sunday Mass will be at the normal time of 10am. Daily Masses will be indicated by Canon McGourty according to his availability. Funeral Masses will continue to be at the Church chosen by the Family.