

4th Sunday of Advent

22nd December 2024



Parish of Drumragh

Sacred Heart Church, Omagh
St Mary's Church, Drumragh

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www.drumraghparish.com

Mass Times Sacred Heart

Weekday Mass this week:

10.00am Monday & Tuesday

7.30pm Monday

Thursday 26th/Friday 27th: Saturday 28th

12.00 Noon

Sunday Mass:

Vigil 6.00pm (Saturday)

Sunday 9.00am & 12.00pm

Saint Mary's Church, Drumragh

Sunday at 10.30am

Confessions this week and next week

Saturday 28th after the Vigil Mass

Friday 3rd January 10.00am

& 6.30pm - 7.15pm

Saturday 4th January

10.30am - 11.30am

And after the Vigil Mass

**Adoration will resume on
Wednesday 1st January after 10am**

**Normal Mass Schedule Returns
from Monday 30th December**

Mass Times Feast of the Nativity

(Tuesday) Christmas Eve - Morning Mass - 10am

Mass 5pm (for seniors & children)

Mass of Christmas Night - 9pm

(Wednesday) Christmas Day 9am & 12 noon

Thursday 26th/Friday 27th:

Saturday 28th: 12.00 & 6pm Vigil

St Mary's, Drumragh

(Tuesday) Christmas Eve – 7pm

(Wednesday) Christmas morning - 10.30am



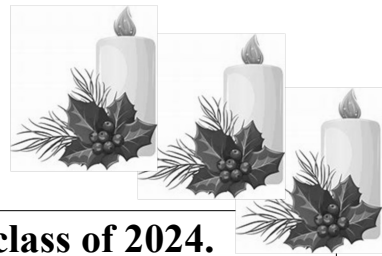
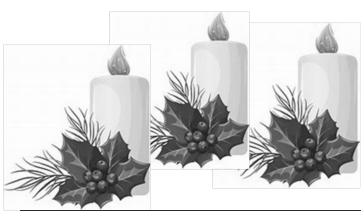
Fr Haddon & Fr Joseph Varghese

would like to wish all their

parishioners a

Happy and Peaceful Christmas

and a Happy New Year



Recently Deceased

We pray for
Frances Teresa McCusker
Patrick Joseph McElhinney
May they rest in peace



To the newly baptised class of 2024.

In 2025 The Feast of the Baptism of the Lord occurs on the Sunday immediately after the great feast of the Epiphany of the Lord. – the priests, parish Baptismal Team and the parish faith community invite you to attend the 12.00pm Mass on Sunday 12th January 2025 in Sacred Heart Church to renew your baptismal promises along with us on that feast day – please bring your parents, other members of your extended family, and godparents, if possible. An invitation will also be emailed to all parents this week.

Sacred Heart Church
7.30pm Mass Intentions
Monday 23rd December
Eileen Kelly - Month Mind

Monday 30th December
John Rodgers - Month Mind

Friday 3rd January
Arty Breen - Month Mind
Tom Doherty - 1st Anniversary

Omagh Charismatic Prayer Group

Prayer Group Meetings take place in The Pastoral Centre on Thursday evenings with **Rosary at 7.30pm & prayer meeting at 8pm.** All welcome to come and pray.
Next Prayer Meeting 2nd January 2025

Feast Days

Sunday 29th December - Feast of the Holy Family
Wednesday 1st January - Feast of Mary the Mother of God

INVITATION TO 33 DAYS OF FAMILY PRAYER: Bishop McKeown will lead the diocese in 33 days of Family Prayer towards Consecration to Jesus Christ through Mary, as part of a diocesan programme for the Jubilee Year of 2025, *Pilgrims of Hope*. It will be delivered online on the Diocese of Derry Facebook, each evening at **7.00pm**, starting on **Thursday 9 January 2025** and concluding on the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes, **Tuesday 11 February 2025**. Bishop McKeown explains, “*It is a journey I set out to make to entrust myself and my priesthood to Christ through the Mother of God. I extend an invitation to you and your families from the parishes of the diocese to join me*”. Details and times of the prayer programme with a video message from Bishop McKeown can be viewed at derrydiocese.org/consecration

Praying for Vocations

We pray for our seminarians and for those considering a vocation to serve as priests in this diocese that, like Mary and Elizabeth, they will be attentive to the power and movement of the Holy Spirit in their lives.

Prayer

Heavenly Father, as we approach the celebration of Your Son’s birth, grant us the grace to embody the humility and faith of Mary. May we, like Elizabeth, be filled with the Holy Spirit, recognising and rejoicing in Your presence among us. Help us to support one another in love, building communities that reflect Your grace and truth. We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

**NO Bingo in St. Joseph's Hall on
24th December OR 31st December**



**From Friday 20th December
until Monday 6th January
The next newsletter will be available on
5th January 2025**



Baptisms take place in Sacred Heart Church on Sunday's at 1pm. Two weeks' notice is required for all Baptism bookings. Children must have One Godparent who is over 16 years of age and a practicing Catholic. Normally people have two Godparents, but they must be one male and one female.

**Ministers of the Word January
Sacred Heart Church**

6pm Vigil Saturday Lysette McGuinness
9am Sunday Aidan McCrystal
12 noon Tom Timoney
St Mary's Drumragh
10.30am Sunday Conchur Darcy

Weekdays

10am Mass : John Magennis, John Rafferty

Evening Mass 7.30pm

Friday 3rd Evelyn Heaney
Monday 6th Elizabeth Durkin
Friday 10th Brian Durkin
Monday 13th Pawel
Friday 17th Siobhan Sweeney
Monday 20th Christine Kelly
Friday 24th Fiona Garrity
Monday 27th John McSorley
Friday 31st Siobhan McGrath

**Eucharistic Minsters for January
Sacred Heart Church**

6pm Mary Loughran/Siobhan McGrath
Maura Sharpe
9am Liam Grugan/Aidan Quinn
Sean Rodgers
12pm Regina Gormley/Dympna Kelly
Eugene Teague

Drumragh 10.30am

Mary McGlone/Joanne McGread

Looking for that perfect gift? **'Ever-Now Christmas in my soul'**. A distinctly refreshing all-in-one-essentials guide to the true meaning of Christmas, and the *higher* purpose of our lives on earth. Book available in Top News, and Amazon, priced at £19.99.

The Choir for the Vigil Mass on **Saturday 4th January** will be the Cappagh/Drumragh Youth Choir.

Congratulations to all couples planning their marriage.

Don't forget to give 3 months' notice to the **parish where you live.**

Your local parish is responsible for organising the paperwork for the Sacrament of Marriage irrespective of where the wedding will take place. Be sure to get in touch with the Parish Office **in wherever you are living** to make arrangements to complete the wedding papers at least 3 months before the date of the proposed wedding.

Teach Us To Pray booklet on occasion of the Jubilee Year of Prayer

For the occasion of the Jubilee Year of Prayer 2025, the Dicastery for Evangelisation has created a handbook. The booklet contains very useful guides and reminders of occasions of prayer, including: In the Parish Community; in the Family; with Young People; in Sanctuaries; and more. Including catechesis on prayer. It can be downloaded at: <https://www.derrydiocese.org/news/>

St Joseph's Hall

**ST JOSEPH'S HALL CLOSED FROM
22ND - 29TH DECEMBER**

Next Dance 17th JANUARY

**DERRY DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE
TO LOURDES 2025:** led by Bishop
Donal McKeown, from Monday 30 June to
Friday 4th July, leaving from City of
Derry Airport. Price £849 plus insurance
and single supplement if required.

**The Pilgrimage Office at 164 Bishop
Street, Derry BT48 6UJ will not be open
for booking until Saturday 1st February
2025, 11.00am to 1.00pm (and each
following Saturday and Thursday at the
same time unless notified).** However,
Gift Vouchers are now available from the
Pastoral Centre, 164 Bishop Street,
Derry. Also, enquiries can be made by
email derrypilgrim@outlook.com

Sacred Heart College Open Night 2025



The Governor, Principal, staff
and pupils warmly invite
transfer pupils and their parents to view
the extensive range of facilities during
our Open Night on **Thursday 9th
January 2025 at 6.00pm.**

Children in Crossfire would like to
thank everyone for supporting their
Advent Appeal this year, which will
help children in inner-city Dar es Sa-
laam, Tanzania. If you wish to donate,
please remember to bring your box/
envelope back to the chapel sacristy
from the weekend of 4th & 5th January
onwards. Any support you can give is
greatly appreciated.
Donation Boxes in Church porches.

Parish Office

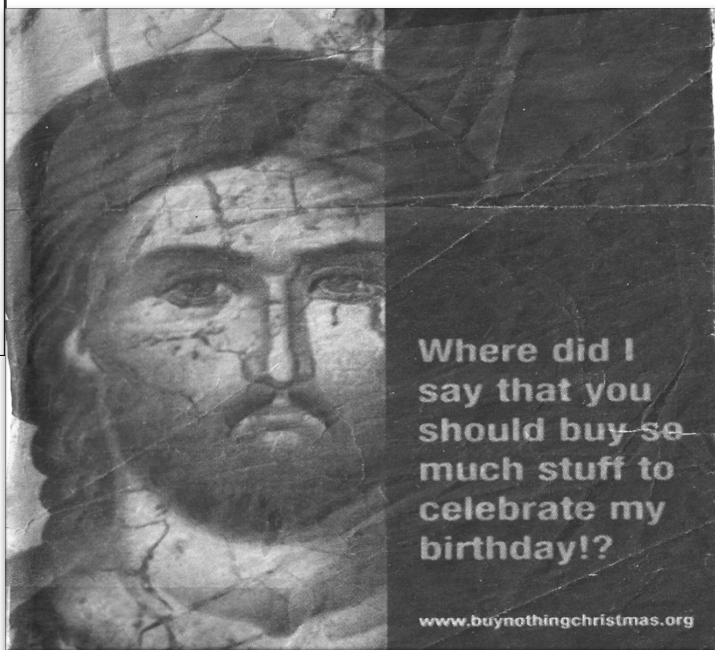
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Pioneers	07775810297
Al-Anon Family Group	028 9068 2368
Alcoholics Anonymous	028 9035 1222
Aware	028 7126 0602
Care for Cancer	028 8224 6599
Drug Awareness	0800 776600
Gamblers Anonymous	028 71351329
Safeguarding Team	07596 500793
The Samaritans	028 8224 4944
SVDP Thrift Shop	028 8225 2000
SVDP Helpline	07738837991

PARISH EMERGENCY NUMBER

07858776533 (Only to be used in
case of emergency)

Whist Congratulations to all our winners.
K McCullagh got Top Score, followed
by Eileen Coyle in second place
and W McSorley took top score in the
first half, Joe Campbell in the second half.
The next whist drive will be **Sun 5th Jan
at 7 30pm in Coach Inn.**
Happy Christmas to all.



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