Vol. 48 No 14 Easter Sunday, 4th April 2021



"The Easter celebrations form the heart of our Christian living. We have journeyed in Holy Week through the darkness of betrayal and abandonment towards the light of forgiveness and new life in the Resurrection of Jesus. The Resurrection, the fulfilment of God's love for us, means that Jesus walks with all of us here and now, wherever we are in our life's journey. His Holy Spirit dwells within us.

As Easter people, we pray that the blessings, the joys, the wonders, the comforts and the challenges of this holy day will renew us in spirit and encourage us to be faithful witnesses and beacons of God's love and mercy each day".

#### Bishop Donal McKeown

**Visit www.derrydiocese.org/easter** for a comprehensive list of Easter resources and activities in which parishioners can join online, watch on TV or listen to on radio. These include live Easter broadcasts from the Vatican with Pope Francis, live Mass broadcasts from Knock Shrine, films for Easter, downloadable activities for children, prayers for use in your home, instructions on creating an Easter garden and much more. through your social media channels or your Easter Sunday newsletter.

**Face Coverings:** St Eugene's Cathedral ask all adults and children aged 14 and over to please wear a face covering at Masses and other liturgical celebrations ie Funerals, Baptisms, First Communion, Weddings (unless they are exempt from wearing mandatory face coverings). Medical advice is that wearing face coverings is first and foremost about protecting others.

Please continue to observe social distancing, to use the hand sanitiser on entering and leaving the Cathedral.

## Please join us via the Webcam:

We invite you to join us via webcam in St Eugene's Cathedral by watching our live streaming which can be viewed online at www.churchservices.tv, churchmedia.tv/camera/st-eugenes-cathedral or the parish website at www.steugenescathedral.com.

## Easter Sunday (4th April)

Tickets have been issued for attendance at Masses on Easter Sunday. Masses via Webcam at 7.00 am, 9.30 am, 11.00 am, 12.30 pm, 2.00 pm and 7.00 pm

Please note: Local Radio Station Drive 105 will broadcast the 12.30 pm Sunday Mass live.

## Monday to Friday (5th - 9th April)

Mass at 8.00 am, 10.00 am and 7.30 pm

- 2.00 noon The Angelus & Rosary
- 3.00 pm Divine Mercy Chaplet

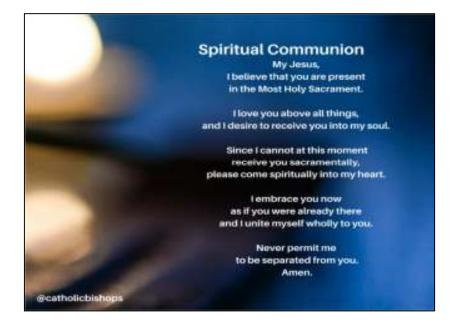
8.00 pm Eucharistic Adoration, Rosary followed by Night Prayer

# Saturday (10th April)

Mass at 10.00 am, Vigil Masses at 6.15 pm and 7.30 pm.

**Funerals:** The Northern Ireland Executive restricts attendance at funerals to only 25 people. In order to adhere to this regulation, when St Eugene's Cathedral reopens for public workshop (Friday, 26th March) funerals will be celebrated at either 9.00 am or 11.00 am Monday to Saturday. Unfortunately, there will be no funeral Masses celebrated on a Sunday.





Reflection on today's Gospel: John 20:1-9

Today's Gospel rolls back the stone from the entrance to Jesus' tomb, and reveals to us, as it did to Mary Magdalene over two thousand years ago, the terrifying glory of its emptiness. Christ has risen, and we have risen with Christ. Death has been defeated. Death shall be no more. Through the glorious mystery of Jesus' resurrection, eternal life is now ours. The aching dark of Gethsemane and the agony of the Cross have given way to the bright greening of a world flowering with new, life-giving joy. In the words of Jesus himself: "It is consummated! It is accomplished!"

Let our hearts, minds and souls rejoice. Let us raise our voices to the heavens in gratitude for the extraordinary, miraculous gift of God's love for us, a love which is the beating heart of our glorious salvation.

## **Anniversaries**

Sean Carr, Margaret Nugent, Cissie Rooney, Noel Hegarty, Gloria Hegarty,

Willie Dorrity and Patsy Horner.

May they rest in peace.

## Baptisms

We welcome as members of God's family

Eimear Niamh Gillespie Luca Robert Moore



#### Readers for next weekend as per Rota



The Matt Talbot Prayer Society – Praying for those suffering from Addiction: This Prayer

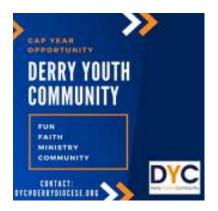
Society has been created to pray for people who are suffering from any form of addiction, to pray for those recovering from addiction, and to pray for all those affected by addiction, especially family members. As we know addiction takes many forms from alcohol, drugs, gambling, pornography, to other less acknowledged addictions.

To join the Matt Talbot Prayer Society, you are invited to enrol the name of the person to be prayed for and the addiction we are praying that they will be freed from.

Those enrolled will be prayed for specifically every day by members of the Matt Talbot Prayer Society. Mass will be offered for those enrolled on the first Monday of every month here in St Eugene's Cathedral at 7.30 pm. You will also receive an enrolment card to enable you to join in the prayer.

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The Matt Talbot Mass will be celebrated here in St Eugene's Cathedral tomorrow, (Monday, 5th April) at 7.30 pm



### **Derry Youth Community**

- Are you aged between 18-25 years old?
- > Deciding what to do in the future (September 2021)?
- Thinking about a Gap Year?
- Want to do something faith based?



#### **Blessed Carlos Acutis**



Blessed Carlo Acutis, an Italian Catholic teenager, was beatified in Assisi, Italy on 10th October 2020. He documented Eucharistic miracles around the world and catalogued them all onto a website that he created himself in the months before his death from leukaemia. Carlo was known for his cheerfulness, his care for others, his computer skills and his deep devotion to the Eucharist, saying it was his "highway to heaven". There is a display in the Cathedral dedicated to Blessed Carlo Acutis and prayer cards which you are welcome to take.



Fr Farren acknowledges with thanks donations for: **Trócaire:** £100, £10, £200, £200, £280, £50, £100, £100, £50. **Sight Savers:** £100. **Charity of Adm's Choice:** £100. **St Vincent de Paul:** £280. **Flowers:** £20, £100. **Mary's Meals:** £25. **St Joseph's Young Priests Society:** £25 **Cathedral Funds:** £100, £200.

### Last Week's Collection amounted to £3,323. Parish Development Collection amounted to £861.

There is a box at the back of the Cathedral for weekly parish envelopes and contributions for the upkeep of the Cathedral. **Please note cheques should be made payable to St Eugene's Cathedral.** If you would like to make your weekly envelope contributions by online banking or standing order, please find St Eugene's Cathedral's bank details below:

Account Name:	St Eugenes Church No 1 A/C
Account Number:	55192935
Sorting Code Number:	90-49-74
IBAN:	GB45 BOFI 9049 7455 1929 35
Branch:	Bank of Ireland, 15 Strand Rd, Derry, BT48 7BT

Thank you for your understanding and your continued support to the parish.



This Lent your love can make all the difference to Trócaire. Donations received before 16th May 2021 will be doubled by the UK government up to £2m. These matched funds will help thousands of people in South Sudan to grow enough food to feed their families. It will also support strong

women like Awut and Ajah in having their voices heard in decisions affecting them. Donations can also be made online at <u>www.trocaire.org/donate</u> or via NI freephone number **0800 912 1200** 

or via online banking - bank details for Trócaire: Sort Code: 93.80.92 and Account number 8822 7020.

The Derry Diocesan Catechetical Centre, working in Partnership with Saint Mary's University, Twickenham, offers the Masters in Catholic School Leadership. This is a post graduate degree dedicated to the professional development and spiritual formation of Catholic school leaders. It is a great opportunity for those currently in leadership roles and those who aspire to, or have an interest in, leadership roles within the Catholic School system. The next intake will be Autumn 2021. If you require any further information, please contact the Derry Diocesan Catechetical Centre on 004428 71264087 or email tferry@derrydiocese.org.

Aid for the Children of Yemen: Fr Neal Carlin's new book, *The Eagle, The Tiger and Covid,* is now on sale at  $\notin 10/\pounds 10$  and can be purchased by contacting goldenagecentre@hotmail.com. All proceeds are being sent via a direct contact to aid the Children of Yemen.





ACCORD DERRY Virtual Interactive Marriage Preparation Programme *(limited to 15 couples per course)*. Booking now online at <u>www.accordni.com</u>.

## **Course Dates**

July 6th/7th 2021 August 10th/11th 2021 Sept 14th/15th 2021 Oct 12th/13th 2021 Nov 9th/10th 2021 Dec 7th/8th 2021

**The Net,** the monthly publication sharing the fruits of faith in the Derry Diocese, is now available on the Diocesan website and Facebook Page.

**The Messenger**: Messenger Publications are offering a free online copy. Please visit: https://issuu.com/messengerpublications/docs/messenger\_june\_v11.3\_low\_res. If you have any difficulty accessing the link or if you have any further queries, please email c.henry@messenger.ie.

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Ireland) 101 or Social Services: Gateway Services, Western HSC Trust, 71314090 and ask for the Duty Social Worker.