Sunday (7th November)

Masses at 7.00 am, 9.30 am, 11.00 am, 12.30 pm and 7.00 pm

6.00 pm Benediction

Monday to Friday (8th November to 11th November)

Mass at 8.00 am, 10.00 am and 7.30 pm

12.00 noon The Angelus & Rosary

3.00 pm Divine Mercy Chaplet

8.00 pm Eucharistic Adoration, Rosary followed by Night Prayer

Saturday (12th November)

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

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.

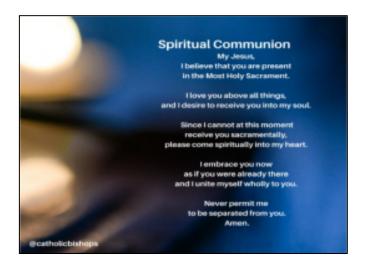
Please continue to observe social distancing, to use the hand sanitiser on entering and leaving the Cathedral.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Sundays from 3.00 pm to 6.00 pm and Tuesdays from 10.30 am to 7.30 pm.



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-eugenescathedral or the parish website at www.steugenescathedral.com.



A short reflection on today's Gospel. Mark 12:38-44

This poor widow has put in more than all.

Jesus' message in today's Gospel is clear and direct: beware of confusing a cultivated image with true worth. The scribes, doctors of the law, were full of self-importance. They were in love with the awe their learning and function inspired in others, and unscrupulous regarding their own frequent tendency to exploit the most vulnerable in society: widows and orphans. Neither were they concerned about the discrepancy between their rigid interpretation of God's law where others were concerned, and their own dubious moral standards.

Today's Gospel is in two parts and these two parts are linked together in terms of the meaning they impart: it is the truth in the heart which God sees and it is to the heart's truth that God responds. The widow appears in both parts of the Gospel, as an image of vulnerability in the first part who deserves to be protected, not exploited, and in the second part as an image of selfless generosity. She quietly gives from the little she has to the treasury and leaves herself with hardly anything. The rich give ostentatiously, and expect their magnanimity to be loudly acknowledged.

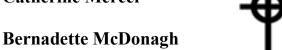
Jesus, may we live our lives humbly, generously, and truthfully. The world often fails to see the truth which is in our hearts, but you always see that truth clearly. What lay in the widow's heart was an extraordinary generosity. What lay in the hearts of the scribes was duplicity, inordinate vanity, and greed. You and your heavenly Father see directly into the truth. May we live always in your light, openly, cleanly, and at one with your love.

Sympathy

We offer our sympathy to the family and friends of

Gary Loughrey

Catherine Mercer



May they rest in peace

Anniversaries

Mark Kelly, Michael McCaul and George Holmes. May they rest in peace.

Baptisms

We welcome as members of God's family

Ella Tammy Gurney Pearse Michael Sparkes



Sacrament of Marriage

We congratulate

Gavin Strawbridge and Kris Newton

Sean Devine and Caoimhe Ward

Ryan Morrison and Mary Bradley



who recently celebrated the Sacrament of Marriage here in St Eugene's Cathedral.

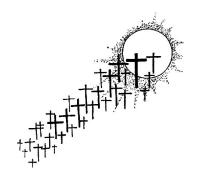
Readers for next weekend – 13th/14th November

06.15 pm	Therese Ferry
07.30 pm	Stephen Orr
09.30 am	Rosemary Finan
11.00 am	Ava McGinn
12.30 pm	Michael Wilson
07.00 pm	Anna Begley

LAUDATO SI - Prayers for success of COP26: Today, (Sunday, 7th November) Bishop McKeown will offer Mass at 12.30 pm here in St Eugene's Cathedral for the success of the proceedings at COP26. Each parish, each school, each home - united with people of faith throughout the world - are invited to pray for our world at this time.

Diocesan Mass for deceased children and young people: The Annual Mass for deceased children and young people will be celebrated here in St Eugene's Cathedral today (Sunday, 7th November) at 7.00 pm.

Friday at 11.00 am: Exploring a selection of poems with Mary Murphy livestreamed from the Cathedral Hall. Join via the parish website at www.steugenescathedral.com and choose the link CATHEDRAL HALL WEBCAM.



Remembering Our Dead

'By virtue of the communion of saints, the Church commends the dead to God's mercy and offers her prayers, especially the holy sacrifice of the Eucharist on their behalf'. This is how the catechism reminds us of our need to pray for the dead throughout the year but we remember them in a special way during the month of November.

As we wait for the time when we can come together without restrictions as a parish community for Mass, we have the names of those who died during the past year (23rd October 2020 to 27th October 2021) displayed at the sacred space at Our Lady's Altar.

At all Masses throughout November we will pray for the deceased family and friends of each home in our parish especially those who died during the past year and who are remembered at Our Lady's Altar.

There is also a basket at Our Lady's Altar to put the names of your deceased family and friends so that they can be remembered at all Masses during November.

Family prayer at home – 'November A Month To Remember' – This booklet contains prayers for November, a family prayer service for use at home and information about a remembrance event at Knock Shrine. This booklet may be of particular interest to families and those who are housebound. All these resources can be found at Diocese of Derry website: https://www.derrydiocese.org/news/november-family-prayer-at-home.

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.

To enrol someone in the Matt Talbot Prayer Society please phone St Eugene's Cathedral at 028 71262894/71365712 or email steugenes@btconnect.com or private message St Eugene's Cathedral.



Our Lady, Untier of Knots Novena will continue after 7.30 pm Mass each Thursday until 25th November. Do you have some "knots" in your life? Knots of discord in your family, the knots of deep hurts in relationships, the absence of peace and joy in the home. Sometimes our lives may seem one big knot due to circumstances beyond our control when we face health problems. This Novena reminds us that sin never entangled Our Lady; that Christ gave His Mother to be our Mother, the Untier of Knots. We pray and entrust our specific "knots" to Her loving hands, learning how to let go of that which binds us.

Our Lady, Untier of Knots Novena – Meditation for Thursday, 11th November

Mother Most Pure, I come to You today to beg you to untie this knot in my life and free me from the snares of Evil. God has granted you great power over all demons. I renounce all of them today, every connection I have had with them and I proclaim Jesus as my one and only Lord and Saviour.

Mary, Untier of Knots, crush the Evil One's head and destroy the traps he has set for me by this knot. I thank you, dearest Mother.

Most Precious Blood of Jesus, free me!

Mary, Untier of Knots, pray for me.

Our Lady, Untier of Knots candles on sale - £2.50 each

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.



Cathedral Voices is for people living with dementia and their families, friends and carers. This is a pilot programme which we are delivering here in St Eugene's Cathedral led by Margarette McNamee. It is a time to come and listen to music, have a cup of tea and a chat.

Dates: Thursday, 18th November @1.30 pm-2.30 pm Thursday, 25th November @1.30 pm-2.30 pm Thursday, 2nd December @1.30 pm-2.30 pm Thursday, 9th December @1.30 pm-2.30 pm Thursday, 16th December @1.30 pm-2.30 pm

Booking is essential as places are limited. Call 02871262894 or email: emmet.thompson@derrydiocese.org

Derry Diocesan Youth will be holding a Youth Event in the Carmelite Retreat Centre, Termonbacca on 21st November, from 12.00 noon to 3.30 pm. This event is for young people in the diocese ages 14 and up to come and get involved with their faith and celebrate world youth day in preparation for World Youth Day in Lisbon 2023. If any young person would like to book, please email lizzie.rea@derrydiocese.org or message any @derryyouth social media pages. Cost £5 to secure a place at this event; all deposits to be paid before the 16th November.

Starting conversations in our parishes



"We have to look at where the Lord is leading us in order for us to be effective in making new disciples for the Lord"

Pope Francis is inviting the faithful all over the world to come with him "on a journey" as a "Synodal Church". The word 'synod' means "walking together" and "indicates a way of being together as Church and 'discerning' how best to spread the Gospel amidst the challenges of life in the 21st century."

This Synodal Process entitled, *For a synodal Church: communion, participation and mission* coincides with the start of the two-year Synodal Pathway for the Catholic Church in Ireland which will lead, in time, to a National Synodal Assembly in Ireland.

We pray that the next two years will be a time of prayer, listening and discernment, involving a consultative conversation. This will allow all people - both within the Church and in society at large, to share their insights into the Catholic Church in Ireland – past, present and future – so that we can prepare for a National Synodal Assembly in the coming years.

Bishop Donal explains this is the start of our Synodal Journey: "We have set ourselves in Ireland a five year period, to look together in a prayerful context where God is leading His Church"

In this video, https://youtu.be/Lhky65OFfEQ, Bishop Donal McKeown reminds us of the purpose of the Church and outlines the prayerful consultation process of Synodality, of walking together, of listening, of being led by the Holy Spirit to understand where the Lord is leading us.

St Eugene's Cathedral Choir is looking for new members to join. The Choir practices at 8.00 pm on Wednesdays and sings at the 12.30 pm Mass each Sunday. There are many ways which you can serve the church. Singing is one of them. If you would be interested in singing with the Choir please get in touch with the Choir Director, Maghnus Monaghan, through the parish office or speak to him after Mass at 12.30 pm.

The new Prayer Garden (located behind the Grotto) when completed will be a place to come to pray and remember all those who since March 2020 when there were restrictions on attending wakes and funerals. Fifty-one rose bushes will be planted to remember those who died from each parish in the Derry Diocese.



Fr Farren acknowledges with thanks a donation for **St Vincent de Paul:** £25, £95. **Flowers:** £20. **Afghanistan:** £40. Mary's Meals: £25. **Cathedral**

Funds: £200.

Sunday Collection amounted to £4,857. Parish Development Collection amounted to £927.00. Thank you for your generosity to the Retired Priests Collection taken up on the Feast of All Saints

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 Eugene's 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 continued support to the parish.



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

Gamblers Anonymous: Is gambling affecting your life? Perhaps Gamblers Anonymous can help: call them on 028 7135 1329.

Derry Diocesan Trust – Job Advertisements

Position	Location	Closing Date
Diocesan Youth Co-ordinator 20 hours per week	Derry Diocesan Catechetical Centre, 2 Francis Street,	12.11.2021
(inc. evenings and weekends) 1-year Fixed Term Contract	Derry, BT48 7DS	

Position	Location	Closing Date
Housekeeper	Long Tower Parochial House,	12.11.2021
8 hours per week	6 Victoria Place,	
(with possibility of extension to 12 hours per week)	Abercorn Road, Derry, BT48 6TJ	

Position	Location	Closing Date
Cleaner 2 hours per week	St Patrick's Church, Dungiven, Co Derry, BT47 4RT	12.11.2021

For a job description and application form please:

Write: Personnel, Derry Diocesan Office, St Eugene's Cathedral, Francis Street, Derry,

BT48 9AP

Email: payroll@derrydiocese.org

Telephone: 028 7126 2302

Derry Diocesan Trust is an Equal Opportunities Employer. We welcome applications from all men and women and from members of all communities.

The Derry Diocesan Catechetical Centre Confirmation Preparation Programme will take place from the 10th -14th January 2022, to support parents, schools and parishes as they prepare the children in this very important stage of their faith journey. Linking with *Filled With Joy*, pupil workbook and *Disciples of Jesus*, parent booklet (available from the Diocesan Catechetical Centre) the programme will consist of,

- Four sessions, 10.00 am -12.00 am on the <u>catecheticalcentre.org/webcam/</u>. Each day the sessions will include catechesis on different aspects of the Sacrament of Confirmation, prayer, creative activities and music.
- A support pack for the four sessions which will be emailed to schools and available on the Catechetical Centre Website
- Short Video reflections on the gift of the Holy Spirit and the impact Confirmation has made on different people

Derry Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes, 2022: Although mindful of all the uncertainties we face at this time, the Pilgrimage Director and staff have begun planning for a return to Lourdes in early summer 2022. While it is still too early to provide details, it is intended that the date and duration will be as in recent years and hopefully these will be confirmed and announced by the end of 2021. We ask for the prayers of the people of the diocese so that, by the grace of God and intercession of Our Lady of Lourdes, we may return to Lourdes once more.

Our Faith - Developing what we were taught in school:

- Was RE just a subject in school? Would you like to really to understand it in practice?
- Are you open to deepening your understanding of your Catholic Faith?
- Do you want to better understand the Mass the celebration to the Eucharist?
- Would you like to explore, discuss and reflect upon issues and questions of faith, the Church, and how to link faith to your everyday life?

The Pathways Adult Faith Programme by Drumalis Retreat Centre, Larne, addresses these questions and more. This two-year faith development programme, delivered one Saturday per month from October to June is available either in-house at Drumalis or by Zoom video-conferencing. For personal testimonies, full details and enrolment on the programme, visit: www.drumalis.co.uk/pathways

QUB Catholic Chaplaincy: The Catholic Chaplaincy at Queen's University has reopened for the new academic year. They are a vibrant community of faith and friendship at the heart of campus where students feel welcome, listened-to, valued and supported. For more on their liturgy schedule, events, facilities and amazing Café, visit qubcatholic.org.

The Every Voice Festival, managed by Allegri Arts Organisation and based in the North West of Ireland is a community-focused festival whose main objective is to celebrate local heritage, culture and the arts while promoting Derry City and Strabane District Council as a tourism destination. This year the festival marks 1500 years since the birth of Colmcille, patron saint of Derry, through music and prayer. This concert was filmed in the beautiful settings of St Columb's Cathedral, St Columba's Church Long Tower and Áras Cholmcille. It features Long

Tower Folk Group, St Columb's Cathedral Choir and St Eugene's Cathedral Choir as well as a performance from an inter-denominational choir of community singers from throughout Derry and Donegal. The concert celebrates the city's shared heritage and early Irish Christianity. https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=7YfQdIIGxY0

Dromantine Retreat Centre: The following Retreat and Workshops will be offered by Fr Hugh Lagan SMA: '*Broken Open*' Workshop – How difficult times can help us grow. Friday, 19th November, 5.00 pm – Sunday, 21st November, 2.00pm. Cost £200 / €230. Enquiries and reservations: Tel 028 (048 from ROI) 30821964. Email: admin@dromantineconference.com

Aid for the Children of Yemen: Fr Neal Carlin's new book, *The Eagle, The Tiger and Covid,* is now on sale at €10/£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.

Radio Maria Ireland https://www.radiomaria.ie/radio-maria-ireland/ is an Irish-run Catholic Talk-Radio Station with commercial-free broadcasting of Prayer, Catechesis, Music, Talks, Interviews and Testimonies.

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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 07596 500 793 or email marie.gormley@derrydiocese.org or contact Briege O'Neill, the Safeguarding Coordinator at the Safeguarding Office, Diocesan Pastoral Centre, 164 Bishop Street, Derry, BT48 6UJ, tele (028) 71362475 or email safeguarding@derrydiocese.org or PSNI (Police Service of Northern Ireland) 101 or Social Services: Gateway Services, Western HSC Trust, 71314090 and ask for the Duty Social Worker.