

Covid-19 Shut-down by the Northern Ireland Executive

On the basis of the clear and unequivocal public health advice that people should continue to *stay at home*, the Northern Catholic Bishops have decided that, until **5th March (but subject to ongoing review in line with any change to the public health advice)**, the celebration of the Eucharist and other liturgies should continue to take place without the physical presence of the faithful - with the exception of marriage, funeral and baptismal liturgies.

St Eugene's Cathedral will open after Mass for individual prayer.

Face Coverings: We ask all adults and children aged 14 and over to please wear a face covering (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.

Sunday (21st February)

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

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

Forty Hours Adoration begins today (Sunday) after the 12.30 pm Mass until Benediction at 6.00 pm. The Forty Hours Adoration continues on Monday after the 10.00 am Mass until Rosary, Night Prayer and Benediction at 8.00 pm (pausing for Mass at 1.00 pm and 7.30 pm).



Lenten Programme – Care, Hope and Pray

Monday to Friday (22nd to 26th February):

Morning Prayer of the Church at 7.45 am

Mass via Webcam at 8.00 am, 10.00 am, 1.00 pm and 7.30 pm

The Angelus & Rosary at 12.00 noon

Divine Mercy Chaplet at 3.00 pm

Eucharistic Adoration, Rosary followed by Night Prayer via Webcam at 8.00 pm

Monday, Wednesday and Friday: Gospel Encounter at 5.00 pm

Tuesday and Thursday: Stations of the Cross at 5.00 pm

Tuesday: Covid Conversations with Bishop McKeown livestreamed from the Cathedral Hall and on Facebook beginning on Tuesday, 23rd February at 7.00 pm.

Wednesday: Local Vocal with Margarette McNamee each Wednesday at 4.00 pm during Lent livestreamed from the Cathedral Hall and on Facebook.

Friday: Exploring a selection of poems with Mary Murphy each Friday at 11.00 am livestreamed from the Cathedral Hall and on Facebook.

Saturday (27th February)

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

Thursday: Wellbeing talks: St Eugene's Cathedral are hosting a series of well-being talks as part of our Care, Hope and Pray Lenten Programme via Zoom delivered by **Western Health & Social Care Trust Recovery College**.

The 4 x 30 minute courses are:

1. Recognising and strengthening your resilience (Thursday, 4th March) at 3.30 pm
2. Top tips for Anxiety (Thursday 11th March) at 3.30 pm
3. Managing Setbacks (Thursday 18th March) at 3.30 pm
4. Getting A Good night's sleep (Thursday 25th March) at 3.30 pm

If you are interested in participating in these talks, please contact emmet.thompson@derrydiocese.org or contact the parish office.

'How Fit is Your Soul programme' – St Eugene's Cathedral: To get physically fitter, you would go to a coach, receive a training plan and follow it to improve your fitness. The 'How Fit is Your Soul Programme?' is for those who want to become spiritually fit. It will benefit you whether you pray much or little or maybe not at all at the moment. You will receive a plan and weekly guidance via phone or email to implement practical ways to improve your prayer life and become closer to Jesus. Please contact Emmett Mullan at (028) 71262894 or emailing Emmett.mullan@derrydiocese.org for further information.

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Reflection on today's Gospel: *Mark 1:12-15*

Jesus was tempted by Satan and the angels looked after him.

Mark's account of the temptation of Jesus in the desert is short, but it focuses on the essentials: the location of Jesus' trial, its duration, and the identity of the tempter. Jesus went into the desert, a barren place apart, to prepare himself spiritually for the ministry on which he was about to embark. He was there for forty days and during that time, we know that Satan regularly attempted to lure him away from God with false promises. Jesus, notwithstanding terrible hunger and weakness, withstood all of Satan's temptations, finally banishing him from his sight. Angels came and cared for Jesus after which he left the desert to begin his ministry.

Jesus was in the desert, a barren place abandoned except for wild beasts, because it was God's will that he should face Satan's temptations alone, thereby manifesting his total fidelity to his heavenly Father and his awareness that, although alone, he had never been abandoned. He had been held in God's loving gaze at all times throughout his forty days.

On his return from the desert his victory over Satan is demonstrated by the power and clarity of his proclamation of the Kingdom of God. Strengthened and purified by his ordeal, he is ready to preach repentance and salvation to the world; he is ready to face whatever the world chooses to inflict on him. He has been tested and has not been found wanting.

Jesus, may we, too, be willing at times to draw apart from the world to pray, thereby purifying and strengthening our fidelity to God and the task He has given us to proclaim His Kingdom. Amen.

Sympathy

We offer our sympathy to the family and friends of

Patsy McMonagle

Patsy Coyle

Anna McCluskey

Patsy Devine



May they rest in peace.

Anniversaries

Bridget Duffy, Padraig Kyle, Michael Cullen, Marie Canning, and Elizabeth Page.

Baptisms

We welcome as members of God's family

Ryan McLaren

Sonny Connor Francis



Readers for next weekend – 27th/28th February

06.15 pm	Therese Ferry
07.30 pm	Oran Gartland
09.30 am	Barry McDaid
11.00 am	Ava McGinn
12.30 pm	Sean Hickey
07.00 pm	Anna Begley



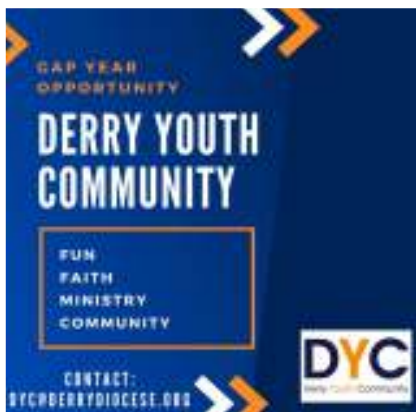
Every year Trócaire asks for your help during Lent to fund lifesaving programmes around the world. Families like Awut and Ajak's in South Sudan need your support now more than ever.

Trócaire are appealing to you to continue your support this Lent. Resources, prayers and videos are available on www.trocaire.org and donations can be made to the Lent campaign in the following ways:

1. By collecting a Trócaire box at the back of the Cathedral.
2. Online at www.trocaire.org
3. By phone: 0800 912 1200 (NI) or 1850 408 408 (ROI)

The contents of each and every Trócaire box, no matter how small, come together to make a significant difference. This virus knows no borders, but neither does our compassion.

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?

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 or email steugenes@btconnect.com or private message St Eugene's Cathedral Facebook page.



The next Matt Talbot Mass will be celebrated here in St Eugene's Cathedral on Monday, 1st March at 7.30 pm

Blessed of Carlos Acutis



Carlo Acutis, an Italian Catholic teenager, was beatified in Assisi, Italy on Saturday, 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 Carlo and prayer cards which you are welcome to take.



Fr Farren acknowledges with thanks donations for: **Trócaire:** £50. **Concern:** €200. **St Vincent de Paul:** £100. **Flowers:** £50. **Building Fund:** £100.

Last Week's Collection amounted to £2,695.

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.

Derry Diocesan Trust

Safeguarding Coordinator (2-year fixed term contract)

Diocesan Pastoral Centre, 164 Bishop Street, Derry

14 hours per week – Monday and Tuesday

£27, 905 - £29,636 per annum pro rata



For application packs please contact: Bishop's House, St Eugene's Cathedral, Francis Street, Derry, BT48 9AP, telephone 02871262302 or email: payroll@derrydiocese.org.

Completed applications must be returned to Personnel, Bishop's House, St Eugene's Cathedral, Francis Street, Derry, BT48 9AP or via email to payroll@derrydiocese.org no later than 5.00pm on 05.03.2021.

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



Knock Shrine to host special online faith discussions during Lent under the title 'Living Christian Faith – Lenten Conversations'. The conversations will explore a different theme each week and guest speakers will discuss some of the important questions we all face in living out our faith. The talks are streamed at 8.30 pm each Thursday during Lent at www.knockshrine.ie/watch-live or on Facebook @knockshrine.

Strive is a good relations programme for young people aged 14 to 24 led by Include Youth. It is a youth led programme, Strive is a cross community, cross cultural and cross border programme that engages young people in transformative good relations, citizenship and personal development work. Youth Initiatives run the Strive programme in Derry and are presently recruiting for the final year of the Peace IV programme. If you are interested, contact us on 07510931490 or find us on Instagram youthinitiativesderry or our YIderry facebook page.



The Western Health & Social Care Trust Recovery College is running free courses on mental health and emotional wellbeing. Courses start in March, and at the moment they are planning to deliver them via Zoom. If Covid-19 restrictions allow later in the term the Western Health & Social Care Trust Recovery College intend to run face to face workshops as usual in Derry, Enniskillen, Omagh and Strabane, so they are encouraging people to register as usual even if they do not have computer access. Some shortened courses are already free to watch online on the Recovery College page on the Trust website www.westerntrust.hscni.net/service/recovery-services/recovery-college/ and the Western Trust's You Tube channel.

Preparing for Marriage? Catholic Engaged Encounter: A 'Zoom' online Marriage Preparation course is planned for 27th-28th March. This 2-day course is a positive way of preparing for Marriage where you will discover how you can enrich your future relationship. Information/Booking: marriageencounter.ie or 028 276 38512.



ACCORD DERRY Virtual Interactive Marriage Preparation Programme (limited to 15 couples per course) - 2021 Course Dates: 9th/10th March, 13th/14th April, 11th/12th May and 8th/9th June. Booking now online at www.accordni.com.



Northern Ireland Blood Transfusion Service will be in St Mary's College, Derry on Tuesday, 23rd February from 1.00 pm to 4.00 pm and from 5.00 pm to 7.30 pm and on Wednesday, 24th February from 10.30 am to 1.00 pm and from 2.30 pm to 5.00 pm. **By appointment only - please phone 08085 534 653 to book.**

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.

St Eugene's Cathedral is monitored by CCTV cameras and by two live streaming cameras. Live streaming can be viewed online at www.churchservices.tv or www.watchmcnmedia or the parish website at www.steugenescathedral.com.

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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: Noel O'Donnell, Diocesan Pastoral Centre, 164 Bishop Street, 71362475, mobile 07596500793 or Celine McKenna, Diocesan Pastoral Centre, 164 Bishop Street, 71362475, mobile 07707311358 or PSNI (Police Service of Northern Ireland) 101 or Social Services: Gateway Services, Western HSC Trust, 71314090 and ask for the Duty Social Worker.