

Covid-19 Shut-down by the Northern Ireland Executive

The Northern Bishops have discussed the evolving situation. In the light of the Executive's extension of the current restrictions, and on the basis of the continued and unequivocal public health message that people should continue to stay at home, the Northern Bishops have agreed that the celebration of the Eucharist and other liturgies should continue, for the time being, to take place without the physical presence of the faithful. Marriage, funeral, baptismal liturgies and drive-in services may continue (subject to strict safety guidelines and regulations) with arrangements being made for live-streaming, where possible.

The next NI Executive review of current lockdown provisions will be taking place on Thursday 18th March. The Northern Bishops have agreed to further assess the situation immediately after that date in the cautious expectation that, from Friday 26th March onwards, and in preparation for Holy Week, the faithful may safely gather once more for the celebration of Mass, with all necessary risk assessments having taken place and with all necessary precautions and mitigations in place.

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

Sunday (28th 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.

Lenten Programme – Care, Hope and Pray

Monday to Friday (1st March to 5th March):

Morning Prayer of the Church at 7.45 am

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

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 at 7.00 pm.

Wednesday: Local Vocal with Margarete McNamee each Wednesday at 4.00 pm 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 (6th March)

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.

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Reflection on today's Gospel: Reflection on today's Gospel: *Mark 9:2-10*

The Transfiguration of Jesus on the Mountain-top

Today's Gospel is an awe-inspiring account of Jesus on the mountain when he is revealed in light before three of his disciples as the Son of God.

At this point, Jesus is turning more and more to Jerusalem and the shame, humiliation, suffering and death awaiting him there. Soon he will begin the inexorable journey downhill but now on the mountain-top, he is brighter than light, brighter than the sun, fully revealed to the three disciples, and to us, in all his true glory.

Let us join the transfigured Jesus on the mountain-top and breathe in our Oneness with God. Let our hearts and souls be filled with the knowledge of God gifted to us by His beloved transfigured Son, who is standing before us radiating light; and the light is brighter than the sun; and it is pouring from his hands, from his feet, from his head, from his body. Let the full awareness that we are in the presence of the Son of God enter our hearts and flood them with the light of his presence. Let us listen with awe to the voice of his Father: "This is my beloved Son in whom I am well pleased. Listen to him."

Listen to him.

Sympathy

We offer our sympathy to the family and friends of

Geraldine Kelly



May she rest in peace.

Anniversaries

Sadie Feeney, Noel McDowell, Rosie Harkin, Hugh Duffy and Maureen Duggan.
May they rest in peace.

Baptisms

We welcome as members of God's family

Cadhla Faye Wilson

Doireann Máiréad Bailie



Readers for next weekend – 6th/7th March

06.15 pm	Claire O'Kane
07.30 pm	Caolan Orr
09.30 am	Kevin Finan
11.00 am	Kay McGinn
12.30 pm	Owen Doherty
13.00 pm	Lenten Readers Rota
07.00 pm	Marian Boyle



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.

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.

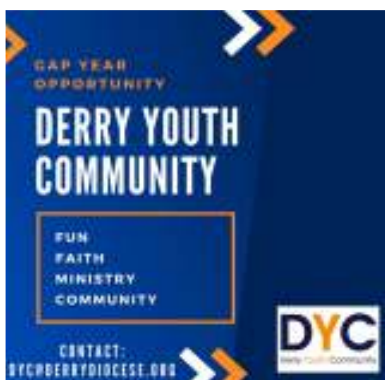
To join the Matt Talbot Prayer Society, you are invited to enrol the name of the person to be prayed for and the addiction we are praying that they will be freed from.

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 Matt Talbot Mass will be celebrated here in
St Eugene's Cathedral tomorrow, (Monday, 1st March) 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 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.

The St Dymphna Mass will be celebrated via webcam at 7.30 pm on Tuesday (16th March) and a candle will be lit for everyone who has intentions for the St Dymphna Mass. This Mass is to give thanks to God for positive mental health and to pray for those who are struggling with mental health issues and those who care for them.



Fr Farren acknowledges with thanks donations for: **Trócaire:** £50, £10. **Flowers:** £10, £20, £20, £20. **Cathedral Funds:** £150.

Last Week's Collection amounted to £2,714.

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.

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.

The Diocese of Derry Privacy Notice is displayed on the parish website and Cathedral notice board or you may obtain a copy from the Parish Office.

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.