Sunday (31st October)

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

6.00 pm Benediction

All Saints, Monday (1st November) Holy Day of Obligation



Masses at 7.00 am, 9.30 am, 11.00 am, 12.30 pm and 7.30 pm

The Retired Priests Collection will be taken up at all Masses on the Feast of All Saints.

Tuesday to Friday (2nd November to 5th 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 (6th 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.

You are not far from the kingdom of God. Mark 12:28-34

'You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind and with all your strength. You must love your neighbour as yourself. There is no commandment greater than these.'

The clarity and simplicity of Jesus' response to the question posed by the scribe reduces the crowd to silence. As human beings we are often silenced when we find ourselves in the presence of awe-inspiring, irrefutable truth.

Jesus treats both commandments as one. Love God with all that you are. Love your neighbour (who is all mankind) as you love yourself. To truly love God who is Love itself, we must truly love all of mankind as we truly love ourselves. All is love.

So we must love others as we truly love ourselves! And do we truly love ourselves, or do our inevitable flaws and failures, the depressing regularity of our lapses from grace, blind us to the compassionate forgiveness of God who sees, as his beloved Son did, the grief and the remorse surging blindly around in our hearts!

Are we truly open to the forgiveness of our loving Father? Are we open to the prompting of our loving Father to follow His example and to forgive ourselves? Does our reluctance to truly love ourselves as God loves us prevent us from truly loving others? Do we confuse brands of narcissism or vanity with true love of ourselves as children of a loving God?

Humbly recognising our connections with others rather than our differences is a good place to start as we embark on our journey to eternity through God's two great commandments of love.

Sympathy

We offer our sympathy to the family and friends of

Mary McLaughlin

Liam Deane

Gay McIntyre

Joan Meehan

Anna McLaughlin



May they rest in peace

Anniversaries

Gary Meenan, Eddie Meenan, George Gallagher and Gillian Keaveney. May they rest in peace.

Baptisms

We welcome as members of God's family

Nora Margo McGowan Ezra-Cohen Jason Boyle-Kieran



Sacrament of Marriage

We congratulate **Leona McMonagle and Brendan Duddy** who recently celebrated the Sacrament of Marriage here in St Eugene's Cathedral.



Readers for Monday, 1st November - All Saints

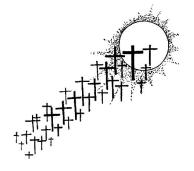
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Readers for next weekend – 6th/7th November

06.15 pm	Sean Hickey
07.30 pm	Marian Boyle
09.30 am	Kay McGinn
11.00 am	McGinley Readers
12.30 pm	Kevin Finan
07.00 pm	Young Peoples Mass

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.

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.

The next Matt Talbot Mass will be celebrated here in St Eugene's Cathedral at 7.30 pm tomorrow (Monday, 1st November)

LAUDATO SI - Prayers for success of COP26: Next 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 next Sunday, 7th November at 7.00 pm. If you would like to have a child or young person remembered at this Mass, please email the name to lizzie.rea@derrydiocese.org or telephone 028 7126 4087.

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.



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, 4th November

Queen of Mercy, I entrust to you this knot in my life and I ask you to give me a heart that is patient until you untie it.

Teach me to persevere in the living word of Jesus, in the Eucharist, the Sacrament of Confession; stay with me and prepare my heart to celebrate with the angels the grace that will be granted to me. Amen! Alleluia!

Mary, Untier of Knots, pray for me.

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

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.

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.



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.



World Drawing God Day 2021: World Drawing God Day takes place on Wednesday, 3rd November. If you wish to participate in this event to express where you see God, through music, through dance - in whatever creative way you can, please download an ideas kit at https://www.drawing-god.com/world-drawing-god-day and share your creativity on social media using the #drawinggod or by emailing a picture of your work of art to drawinggodday@gmail.com where it will be included in a virtual gallery

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.

When completed the new Prayer Garden, which is located behind the Grotto, 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 **Children of Yemen:** £20. **Famine in Afghanistan:** £200. **Sight Savers:** £20.

Thank you for your generosity to last week's Mission Sunday Collection.

Parish Development Collection amounted to £927.00.

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.

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

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

Marriage Enrichment Weekend - 5th to 7th November, hosted by Catholic Marriage Encounter: Restore Communication, Renew Commitment and Rekindle Romance. This is an online experience (using Zoom), starting on Friday evening at 8.00 pm and ending on Sunday afternoon at 2.30 pm. Full details on: https://www.marriageencounter.ie.

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

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



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