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**Sunday (27th September)**

Mass - 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.*

6.00 pm            **Benediction**

7.00 pm            **Mass**

**Monday to Friday (28th September – 2nd October)**

8.00 am            **Mass**

10.00 am          **Mass**

12.00 noon        **The Angelus & Rosary**

3.00 pm            **Divine Mercy Chaplet**

7.30 pm            **Mass**

8.00 pm            **Eucharistic Adoration, Rosary followed by Night Prayer**

**Saturday (4<sup>th</sup> October)**

10.00 am          **Mass**

Vigil 6.15 pm      **Mass**

Vigil 7.30 pm      **Mass**

## **Reflection on today's Gospel: Matthew 21:28-32**

*John: a pattern of true righteousness.*

At the heart of today's Gospel lies the rugged spirit of John the Baptist, uncompromisingly honest, humble, his back resolutely turned to the world's seats of power and privilege, passionately preaching his message of repentance and salvation. John's spirit is completely without guile, without deception: profundity, passion and truth define him. His is the 'pattern of righteousness' honoured by Jesus.

Of the two sons in the parable taught by Jesus in today's Gospel, the son who initially refuses to work in his father's vineyard but who subsequently repents his lack of filial respect, is the one regarded as worthy of approval. The son who agrees to his father's request to work in the vineyard without any intention of doing so, comes off badly as glib and untrustworthy.

To be a true disciple of Jesus then we must be open to the light of his ministry as John was, humble enough to repent of our sinfulness, willing to live our lives in the spirit of truth and passionate in our commitment to that truth.

### **Sympathy**

We offer our sympathy to the family and friends of:

**Mary Kelly**

**Moirra Walsh**

**Eddie Porter**

**Mary McLaughlin**

**Robert (Bobby) Mitchell**

**Kathleen Bell (nee Shephard)**

May they rest in peace.



### **Anniversaries**

Hugh Duffy, Bridie McCallion, Anna Meenan, Charlie O'Donnell,  
Mary O'Kane, Mary Ellen and Michael Downey

May they rest in peace.

## Baptism

We welcome as members of God's family

**Piper Olivia Fyfe**

**Jack Liam Bell**

**Theo Marc Haslett**

**Conchúr Gary Adams**

**Georgia O'Donnell**

**Elora Christina Casey**



**Face Coverings:** Following recent consultations with public health authorities, the leaders of the four main churches in Ireland decided to recommend and encourage the use of face coverings at Masses and other liturgical celebrations.

We encourage 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 face coverings, even in situations which would otherwise be mandatory). 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.

### **Readers for next weekend (3rd/4th October 2020)**

06.15 pm Claire O'Kane

07.30 pm Stephen Orr

09.30 am Kay McGinn

11.00 am Geraldine Ui Meallain

12.30 pm Sean Hickey

7.00 pm Anna Begley





“Seek the Lord while He is still to be found...” (Isaiah 55: 6)

While seeking Him in prayer and the sacraments, listen to Him. Could it be you are being called by Jesus to serve as a priest, religious sister or brother? If you think He may be offering you this grace, speak to your local priest, or call your Diocesan Vocation’s Director, or email the National Vocations Office on [info@vocations.ie](mailto:info@vocations.ie)

We congratulate the pupils of St Anne’s Primary School, Rosemount Primary School and St Eugene’s Primary School who recently celebrated their First Holy Communion here in St Eugene’s Cathedral.



**Our Lady, Untier of Knots Novena** will begin after 7.30 pm Mass on Thursday, 1st October and will continue for the following eight Thursdays - finishing on Thursday, 26th 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. Please join us via webcam at [www.churchservices.tv](http://www.churchservices.tv), [www.watchmcnmedia.tv](http://www.watchmcnmedia.tv) or the parish website at [www.steugenescathedral.com](http://www.steugenescathedral.com).



**Our Lady, Untier of Knots Novena –  
Meditation of the Day for Thursday, 1st October**

Dearest Holy Mother, Most Holy Mary, you undo the knots that suffocate your children, extend your merciful hands to me. I entrust to You today this knot ..... and all the negative consequences that it provokes in my life. I give you this knot that torments me and makes me unhappy and so impedes me from uniting myself to You and Your Son Jesus, my Saviour.

I run to You, Mary, Untier of Knots because I trust you and I know that you never despise a sinning soul who comes to ask you for help. I believe that you can undo this knot because Jesus grants you everything you ask for. I believe that you want to undo this knot because you are my Mother. I believe that You will do this because you love me with your eternal Motherly love.

Thank you, dear Mother.

Mary, Untier of Knots, pray for me.

**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](mailto:steugenes@btconnect.com) or private message St Eugene's Cathedral Facebook page.

The next Matt Talbot Mass will take place here in St Eugene's Cathedral **at 7.30pm on Monday, 5th October.**



**Trócaire have acknowledged with thanks £20,700 received from St Eugene's Cathedral for their Lenten Campaign.**

**Thank you**

Fr Farren acknowledges with thanks donations for: **Trócaire:** £20, £40, £100. **Shrine Candles:** £20. **Flowers:** £20, £20. **Building Fund:** £100, £100. **Cathedral Funds:** £100.

**The Priests of the Parish thank you for your generosity to the stipend collection last weekend.**

**Parish Development Collection amounted to £657.**

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 Standing Order, please contact the Parish Office on 028 71262894/71365712 or by email [steugenes@btconnect.com](mailto:steugenes@btconnect.com). Thank you for your understanding and your continued support to the parish.

**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 2020. If you require any further information, please contact the Derry Diocesan Catechetical Centre on 004428 71264087 or email [tferry@derrydiocese.org](mailto:tferry@derrydiocese.org).

**Volunteers needed for Foyle Hospice Charity Shops:** Do you have a few hours to spare per week? Contact Rachael Osbourne at 028 71351010 or email [rachael@foylehospice.com](mailto:rachael@foylehospice.com).

**The September edition of The Net** is now available online, on [www.derrydiocese.org](http://www.derrydiocese.org). As always, it features a wide variety of news, interesting interviews, articles and photos from parishes across the diocese. There is a '*Remembering Bishop Lagan*' feature and a '*Remembering John Hume*' article in the September issue. You are invited to read The Net, on the diocesan website, at your convenience.

**The Messenger:** Messenger Publications are offering a free online copy. Please visit: [https://issuu.com/messengerpublications/docs/messenger\\_june\\_v11.3\\_low\\_res](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](mailto:c.henry@messenger.ie).

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