

A GOLDEN CHAIN *by Helen Steiner Rice*

Friendship is a Golden Chain,
The links are friends so dear,
And like a rare and precious jewel
It's treasured more each year...

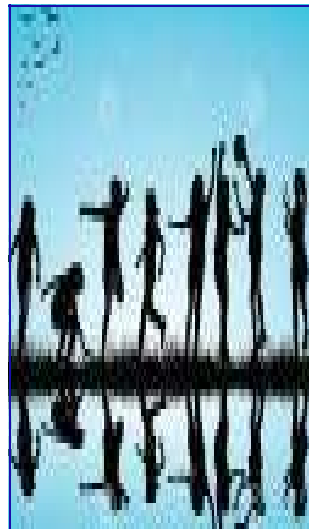
It's clasped together firmly
With a love that's deep and true,
And it's rich with happy memories
and fond recollections, too...

Time can't destroy its beauty
For, as long as memory lives,
Years can't erase the pleasure
That the joy of friendship gives...

For friendship is a priceless gift
That can't be bought or sold,
But to have an understanding friend
Is worth far more than gold...

And the Golden Chain of Friendship
Is a strong and blessed tie
Binding kindred hearts together
As the years go passing by.

*As Autumn arrives, and
the children go back to
school, we look back and
remember the friendships
that we formed as children
and, hopefully, they still
bring us the joy they did*



Mass will be on our Parish Web-
site at www.culdaffparish.com
and churchmedia.tv

Monday, 7.30 pm; Tues-
day & Wednesday, 10 am;
Thursday, 7.30 pm; Satur-
day, 11.15 am.

Friday, Wedding Mass at 1 pm;

Saturday Vigil 8 pm;

Sunday, 10am.

**Anniversary Mass this
weekend**

Saturday Vigil 8 pm

James Doherty, The Cot-
tage, Gleneely.

Responsorial Psalm

**O that today you would listen
to his voice! Harden not your**

**23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Year A.**

St Mary's Church

Bocan

6th September 2020 No. 42

FOR WHERE
FOR WHERE
two or three
GATHER
IN MY NAME
I am with them.
MATTHEW 18:20

Fr. Brian Brady, P.P., V.F 9376264
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First Reading

Ezekiel 33:7-9

The Son of Man is appointed as guardian of Israel.

Second Reading

Romans 13:8-10

The Law is summarized in the commandment to love your neighbor as yourself.

Gospel Reading

Matthew 18:15-20

Jesus teaches his disciples how to settle disputes in the Church.

FORGIVENESS

Weekly Offering €640;
Development Collection €380
Good as New Shop €580

We are deeply appreciative of the generosity of our parishioners at this difficult time. Envelopes can be left in McGuinness' Shop or brought to the Church at weekend Masses.

N.B. Would any of counters who are available come along after 10 am Mass. A new rota will be drawn up when we can get a bit more normality again.

Anam Cara Donegal, the organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding its monthly Parent Evening for bereaved parents on Thursday 10th September at 7:20pm in the Raddison Blu, Letterkenny. This event is free and open to all bereaved parents regardless of the age your child died, the circumstances of their death, or whether their death was recent or not. * subject to change in accordance with government guidelines*.

SEASON OF CREATION 2020 The Season of Creation has a special significance for the Catholic Church, particularly since Pope Francis established 1 September as an annual World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation. The Season of Creation or Creation Time, is marked throughout the Christian world from 1 September to 4 October (Feast of St. Francis of Assisi) and celebrates the joy of creation as well as encouraging awareness-raising initiatives to protect the natural environment. This year also marks the fifth anniversary of Laudato Si, the encyclical from Pope Francis on the Care of Our Common Home. As a parish response to this, we are hosting four online discussion and prayer sessions on this year's theme of Cultivating Hope on the four Thursday evenings of September Thursday evenings of September (3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th) from 7pm – 8:15pm. Each evening will start with a time of prayer, followed by a short video presentation, discussion and reflection. These sessions will take place on Zoom and pre-registration is required. To take part please contact Máire at buncranafaith@gmail.com or ring 0867853726 during office hours. "Yet all is not lost. Human beings, while capable of the worst, are also capable of rising above themselves, choosing again what is good, and making a new start." – Pope Francis

SYMPATHY



It was with deep regret that we said our last farewell to **John McDermott, Terahork.**

John lived a very quiet life looking after his family and farm. He was well respected as a hard working man. In latter years the loss of his daughter was a heavy blow to him and his family

We offer our deepest sympathy to his wife, Margaret his son Patrick ; his daughter, Helena and her husband and family and to the wider family circle.

May his gentle soul rest in peace and may the support of neighbours and friends sustain them in the days ahead.

Scoil Mhuire, Dristernan, Gleneely invites applications for a panel of substitute cleaners to cover as and when required.

**Please send a letter of application by post with your curriculum Vitae including two referees to:-
Chairperson, Board of Management, Scoil Mhuire, Dristernan, Gleneely, Inishowen, Co. Donegal
Candidates will be required to be garda vetted for this position.**

Angela's Good as New Shop is now open in aid of Parish Funds. She is in Farren's premises on Pound St Carndonagh. She would greatly appreciate donations of old clothes of Bric a Brac, and if you can help her with this then contact her on 087 9028930 she can collect it if you are unable to leave home at present.