

OUR BLESSINGS

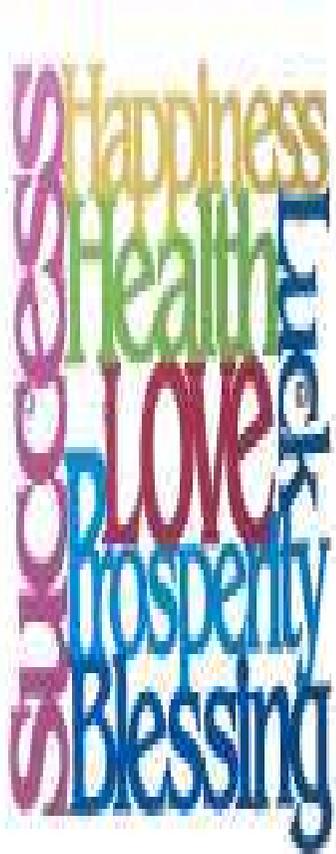
Sitting to-day in the sunshine,
That touched me with fingers of love,
I thought of the manifold blessings
God scatters on earth, from above;
And they seemed, as I numbered them over,
Far more than we merit, or need,
And all that we lack is the angels
To make earth a heaven indeed.

The winter brings long, pleasant evenings,
The spring brings a promise of flowers
That summer breathes to fruition,
And autumn brings glad, golden hours.
The woodlands re-echo with music,
The moonbeams ensilver the sea;
There is sunlight and beauty about us,
And the world is as fair as can be.

But mortals are always complaining,
Each one thinks his own a sad lot;
And forgetting the good things about him,
Goes mourning for those he has not.
Instead of the star-spangled heavens,
We look on the dust at our feet;
We drain out the cup that is bitter,
Forgetting the one that is sweet.

We mourn o'er the thorn in the flower,
Forgetting its odour and bloom;
We pass by a garden of blossoms,
To weep o'er the dust of the tomb.
There are blessings unnumbered about us, -
Like the leaves of the forest they grow;
And the fault is our own - not the Giver's -
That we have not an Eden below.

Ella Wheeler Wilcox



Weekday Masses

Monday, 7.30 pm;
Tuesday &
Wednesday, 10 am;
Thursday, 7.30 pm;
Friday, 10 am;
Saturday, 11 am.

Confessions

Saturday 7.15 pm—
7.45 pm.

Anniversary Masses this Weekend

Saturday Vigil 8 pm
Carrie McLaughlin [The
Mill], Culdaff MM

Sunday 11 am: Mary
Gurney, Effishmore,
Willie John Gurney,
Effishmore & Pat
Gurney, Leicester.

Next weekend

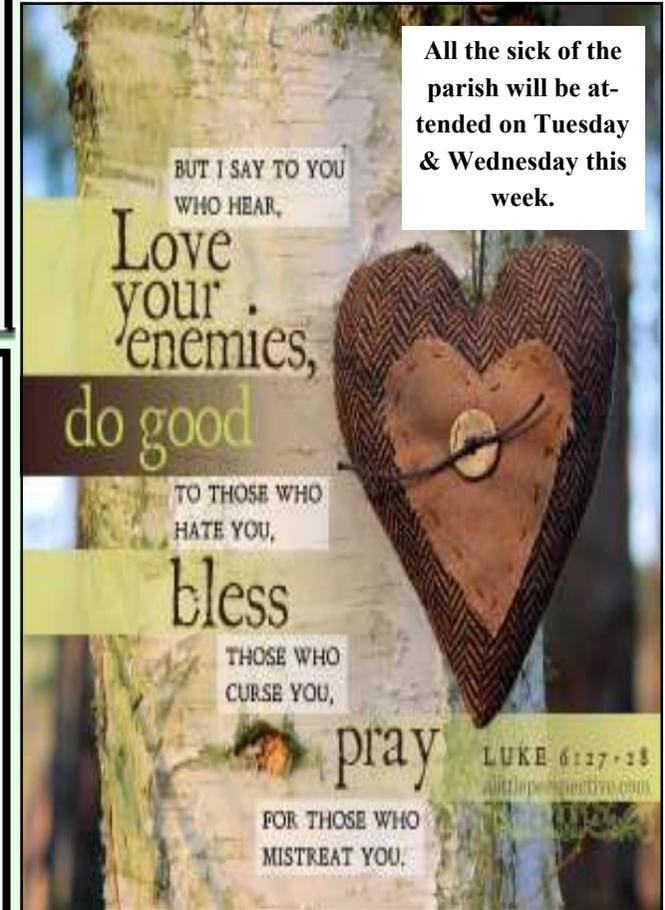
Saturday Vigil 8 pm::
Benny Doherty [Yarl],
Claggan

Year C

St Mary's Church Bocan

17th February 2019 - No. 12

6th Sunday in ordinary Time Year C



All the sick of the
parish will be at-
tended on Tuesday
& Wednesday this
week.

Responsorial Psalm

**Happy the man who placed his trust in
the Lord**

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appreciated.

Blessings
COUNT THEM ONE BY ONE

First Reading

[Jeremiah 17:5-8](#)

Put trust and hope in the
Lord, not in human beings.

Responsorial Psalm

[Psalm 1:1-4,6](#)

Blessed are those who
follow the law of the Lord.

Second Reading

[1 Corinthians 15:12,16-20](#)

Our hope for resurrection is
sure because Christ has
been raised from the dead.

Gospel Reading

[Luke 6:17,20-26](#)

Jesus teaches the crowd the
way to happiness.

Counters for the Month of February:
Tommy Lafferty, Brian Lafferty, Brian
Deeny, Hugh Diver, Patricia Harkin, Mary
McLaughlin

Pastoral Council Meeting on Tuesday
night at 8 pm in the Parochial House
Meeting Room. It is very important that
all members attend this meeting.

Carndonagh Community School presents its Annual Fund Raising Ceili in The Aras on
Friday, 1st March. Music by "Ceili Time". Admission including supper is Five Euro.
Everybody welcome.

With Sympathy

Sympathy

We extend the sympathy
of the parish to the
family of the late **Daniel
Reddy, Bredagh Glen.**

To his wife Dottie, his
daughters, Helen,
Therese, Cathy, Linda,
Sandra & Clare; and his
son, Danny; His sisters,
Mary & Sr Margaret;
and brother, Mickey.

May the family gain
strength from the
prayers and support of
neighbours and friends
at this difficult time.
May he rest in peace.

Whist

1st Dolores O'Donnell, Carn

2nd Carmel McLaughlin, Cashel

3rd Sheila McCallion, Muff

Tickets Margaret McGilloway, Patrick
McLaughlin, Sheila McCallion, Mary Quigley,
Betty Doherty

Other Winners

Pat Porter, Margaret McGilloway, Fr McGonagle,
Nell Gallagher, Therese McLaughlin, Eamon
Donaghey, Evelyn Ruddy, Patsy McGrenaghan,
Sheila Doherty.

Whist next Friday at 8.30 pm in Bocan Hall.
Snowball next week: €100 on 186 or better

Community Employment (CE) opportunities with
Carndonagh Parish CE scheme: 2 Grounds
Workers, 2 Healthcare Support Workers, 1
Receptionist and 1 Administrator. Please contact
INTREO or telephone 074 9329474 for further
details. CE Conditions apply.

A Meeting in Connection with the Mc
Feely Reunion will be held on Thursday
21st February at 8pm in the
Carrowmenagh Community Centre.
All welcome

KNOCK SHRINE SOCIETY SEEKS

VOLUNTEERS - Knock Shrine Society is
seeking new members to join *Our Lady's
Volunteers*, to assist pilgrims who visit the
Shrine. This opportunity is open to all men
and women over 18 who wish to share their
time and be of service to the Sick and Infirm,
and to assist in the Eucharistic and Liturgical
services.

For further information: Contact John Hynes,
Knock Shrine at 00353 87 689 1422 or
email knockshrinesociety@gmail.com

MASS FOR THOSE WITH SPECIAL

NEEDS The Annual Diocesan Mass for
those with special needs, and their families
and friends, will take place in Our Lady of
Lourdes Church, Steelstown, Derry on
Saturday 13th April 2019 at 2.00pm. Bishop
Mc Keown will celebrate the Mass. If you
have a child who wishes to receive the
Sacrament of Confirmation or First Holy
Communion at this Mass please contact the
Catechetical Centre on 71264087
or email ddcc@derrydiocese.org

Towards Peace is a service offering spiritual support to those who have experienced abuse
perpetrated by Church personnel, individually or institutionally. The vision of *Towards Peace* is to
provide a safe supportive space for people and their families, whose spiritual life has been
damaged by abuse. It is also a response to the continually growing understanding of the spiritual
impact of the trauma of abuse. *Towards Peace* provides spiritual support through one-to-one
spiritual direction sessions, with a qualified spiritual companion.

If you have been abused and would like a space to reflect on the impact of the trauma of abuse on
your own relationship with God and spirituality, *Towards Peace* is here for you. .
www.towardspeace.ie Tel: 01 505 3028. Mobile: 086 7710533 Up to twelve sessions are
available and there is no fee.

Bocan Drama Club's latest offering of "**Don't tell the Wife**" continues in Bocan
Hall next Friday & Sunday nights. Doors open at 7.30 pm and the Play Commences
at 8pm. Admission €7. A night not be missed if past years' shows are anything to
go by.

**DERRY DIOCESAN VOCATIONS
WEEK – Sunday 24 February –
Saturday 2 March:** The Derry Diocese
will celebrate its inaugural *Vocations
Week* from *Sunday 24 February to
Saturday 2 March*, during which there
will be special Scripture quotations,
prayers and reflections for each day. The
focus of the week will be on
highlighting *how each of us lives out our
specific God-given vocation in life*. On
the *Thursday* of Vocations Week (28
February), along with all the parishes of
the diocese, our Mass(es) will have the
theme '*Our Christian Vocation*'. The
Primary 5 and Primary 6 classes of the
school(s) (Years 3 & 4, ROI), will be
invited to attend this celebration. The
week will conclude with a **Diocesan
Vocations Day, 'Come and See'**, which
will be held on **Saturday 2 March**,
in **Thornhill Retreat Centre**, starting
at **10.30am**. All enquiries in relation to
this Day should be directed to Fr Chris
Ferguson, Director of Vocations for the
Derry Diocese: Tel: 028 7135 1261,
email: chris_j_ferguson@hotmail.com