

About Ben Adhem - Poem by James Henry Leigh Hunt



About Ben Adhem (may his tribe increase!)
Awoke one night from a deep dream of peace,
And saw, within the moonlight in his room,
Making it rich, and like a lily in bloom,
An angel writing in a book of gold:—
Exceeding peace had made Ben Adhem bold,
And to the Presence in the room he said
"What writest thou?"—The vision raised its head,
And with a look made of all sweet accord,
Answered "The names of those who love the Lord."
"And is mine one?" said Abou. "Nay, not so,"
Replied the angel. Abou spoke more low,
But cheerly still, and said "I pray thee, then,
Write me as one that loves his fellow men."

The angel wrote, and vanished. The next night
It came again with a great wakening light,
And showed the names whom love of God had blessed,
And lo! Ben Adhem's name led all the rest.

33rd Sunday , Year B

Ordinary Time

St Mary's Church Bocan

18th November 2018 - No. 51

Weekday Masses

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

Confessions

Saturday 7.30 pm—7.45
pm.

**Anniversary Mass this
weekend:**

Saturday Vigil 8pm: Teresa
& Thomas Doherty

Sunday 11 am: Kay
McGonagle, Oxford [MM].

Next weekend

Saturday Vigil 8 pm: Mary
Elizabeth Doherty, Bootagh

Sunday 11 am: Joseph Rud-
dy, Dunross.

Heaven and earth
shall pass away,
but my words
shall not pass
away.

Matthew 24:35

Responsorial Psalm

Preserve me, God, I take refuge in you.

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First Reading

Daniel 12:1-3

Daniel prophesies about the judgment of the last days.

Second Reading

Hebrews 10:11-14,18

Jesus' offering for sin has made all to be consecrated perfect forever.

Gospel Reading

Mark 13:24-32

Jesus teaches about the signs of the coming of the Son of Man.

Cemetery

We have had a FAS worker approved for the cemetery. In order to facilitate the grass cutting in the coming year, where the headstones are close together, the gap will be cemented which will prevent grass falling on to the graves. Also, we are erecting 3 handrails at the back of the cemetery where there is a steep walk down.

Counters for the Month of Nov: Barbara O'Connor, Roger Mooney, Bernadette Scott, Maria Finnegan



with Sympathy

It was with great sadness that we learned of the death of **Philomena Doherty, Leiter.**

Philomena was a gentle soul who was loved by everyone who knew her and her passing leaves a void that will never be filled.

We offer our sincere sympathy to her mother, Kathleen; her sisters Margaret, Josephine and Patricia; her brothers Gerard and Seamus; their spouses, nephews and nieces; her aunt, Mary Ellen and the wider family circle.

May the support and friendship of all those who knew Philomena comfort the family in their loss.

Whist

Congratulations to Patsy McGrenaghan, Castlefin on winning the Snowball
2nd Carmel McLaughlin, Cashel,
3rd Annie McBride, Carn

Tickets

Vera Deeny, Eamon Donaghy, Evelyn Ruddy, John Farren, Sarah McDermott.

Other Winners

Evelyn Ruddy, Sarah McDermott, Nell Gallagher, Wendy Farren, Fr McGonagle, Charlie Doherty, Patricia Harkin.

Whist every Friday at 8.30 pm in Bocan Hall. Snowball next week €60 on 190 or better.

Wise Words - "Anyone who stops learning is old, whether at twenty or eighty. Anyone who keeps learning stays young. The greatest thing in life is to keep your mind young." *Henry Ford*

Culdaff FC Annual Bazaar will be in Bocan Hall on Sunday 9th December. Doors Open at 4.30pm and Bazaar starts at 5pm. A special appearance by the man himself Santa Claus. All players and committee are asked to gather prizes for the Bazaar. All welcome.

MUSIC JAM at the IOSAS Centre, Lenamore Road, Muff on Saturday 24th November from 2pm - 5pm. All musicians, singers, folkgroups welcome to join in our Music Jam including prayer and praise. For more information or to register attendance contact the Centre on (00353) (0)7493 84866

ADVENT YOUTH RETREAT hosted by the Diocesan Youth Ministry Team, will be held on Saturday 8th December, in the Waterside Parish Centre, Chapel Road, Derry, 10.30am-4.00pm. Open to all young people aged 16-18 years of age. Those completing the Pope John Paul II Award are particularly welcome. A range of fun and faith activities planned. Email padraig.delargy@derrydiocese.org or call +442871 264 087 to book or make further enquiries. Parental consent required. Consent Forms available from your Parish Priest; they are also available on website www.derrydiocese.org. Lunch will be provided.

The Annual Craft Fair in Culdaff Wee Hall takes place today, Sunday 18th November. Draw lines are on sale locally for valuable prizes including 32" TV. Come along and enjoy tea and coffee, home baking and a wide range of crafts on display.

There will be a Christmas craft fair held in the iCare centre on 2nd of December from 3pm till 6pm. table will cost €10. To book a table contact iCare at 0861081200

NIGHT AT THE RACES

Carndonagh Community School is hosting a Night at the Races Fundraiser to raise money to install a new Gym Floor. CCS is always seeking to improve their facilities which not only benefit the students and staff but also the wider community who make regular use of the facilities. The night will take place in The Strand Hotel, Ballyliffin on Friday, 23rd November starting at 8.00. p.m. Tickets are €5 each and include one free bet on the first race. Tickets can be purchased from the school and from Doherty's Newsagents, The Diamond, Carndonagh. Please contact m.spencer@carndonaghcs.ie for further details. On the night, in addition to the winning horse prizes, there will be spot prizes, raffle prizes and an auction..

FREE Training Course - Special Needs with Intellectual Disability Studies

- by ETB, starting in Buncrana on 3rd December 2018: 44 Weeks, which includes 12 weeks of work placement and 3 weeks. Entry requirement: Ideally, minimum NFQ Level 4 Major Award /Junior Cert or its equivalent. For further information visit: www.donegal.etb.ie. If you are in receipt of a Social Welfare Payment contact your local DEASP Office to register your interest. If you are not in receipt of a DEASP payment contact Donegal ETB course recruitment on 0749120542.

ANNUAL DERRY DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES

2019 will take place from **4 - 9 July 2019**. The Pilgrimage Office, 164 Bishop Street, Derry, is now taking enquiries and initial expressions of interest from anyone who might intend to participate in it. Christmas Vouchers (*which you can give as a gift to someone wishing to participate in the pilgrimage*) can now be ordered. The opening hours of the Pilgrimage Office: **Thursday and Saturday, 11am - 1pm.**