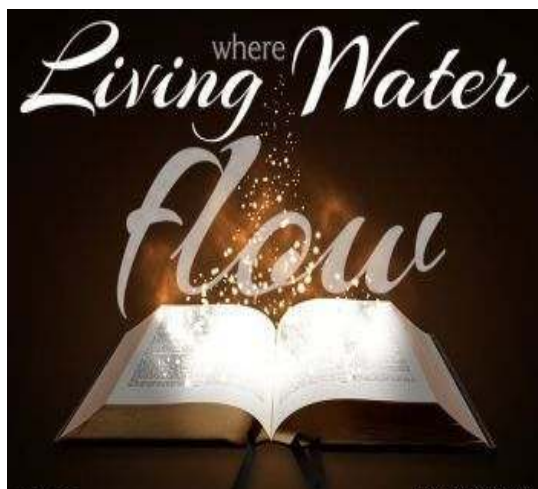


The Pentecost spirit is captured in a powerful poem by William Blake:

*Unless the eye catch fire,
The God will not be seen.
Unless the ear catch fire
The God will not be heard.
Unless the tongue catch fire
The God will not be named.
Unless the heart catch fire,
The God will not be loved.
Unless the mind catch fire,
The God will not be known.*



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Times of Masses which
will be streamed from St.
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Monday 7.30pm
Tuesday. 7.30pm
Wednesday 10.00am
Thursday, 7.30 pm;
Friday 7.30 pm.
Saturday, 11.15 am.

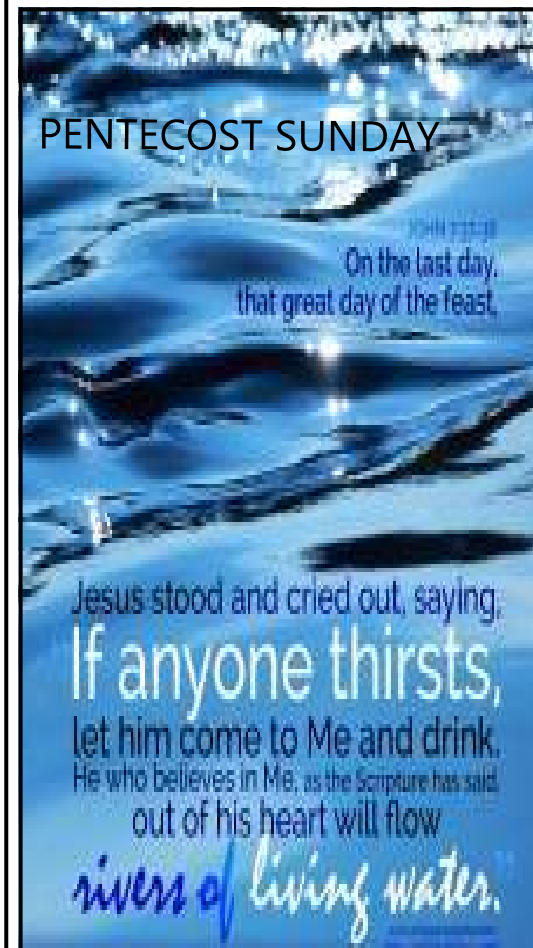
Saturday Vigil 8 pm;
Sunday, 10am.

**Anniversary Mass next
week:**

**Sunday 10 am: Mary
McFeeley, Glasgow**

St Mary's Church
Bocan

31st May 2020 No. 27



Responsorial Psalm

Send forth your Spirit, O Lord,
and renew the face of the earth.

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First Reading

Acts of the Apostles 2:1-11

The Holy Spirit descends upon the apostles gathered in Jerusalem.

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 12:3b-7,12-13

We are all one in Christ Jesus.

Gospel Reading

John 20:19-23

Jesus appears to his disciples and gives them the gift of the Holy Spirit.

Weekly Offering Donations : €915

Thank you so much for your generosity at this difficult time, and we ask for your continued support. Envelopes can be left in McGuinness' Shop.

We would like to acknowledge and thank the Thursday Dancing Group and John & Bridgid Rose Doherty, for the generous donation of €2,500 toward a Web Cam for the Parish. It is greatly appreciated.

Online Youth Course Sundays 7pm

Calling all young people 15-18 yrs from Derry Diocese, we are hosting an online meeting/course for 8 weeks starting on 31st of May at 7pm. We will have some craic, play some games and quizzes but we will also explore some big questions about our faith with the help of a programme called Alpha.

Alpha Youth explores the Christian Faith and answers some pretty big questions. Each week as part of the meeting we will watch a video and have a discussion afterwards. This trailer will give you an idea what to expect from this part of the meeting.

DOWNLOAD THE 2020 SACRED HEART NOVENA FOR FREE!

The Messenger Sacred Heart Novena is one of our most popular publications each year. It is held for the nine days leading up to the Feast of the Sacred Heart, which is always celebrated nineteen days after Pentecost. Devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus is considered a symbol of "God's boundless and passionate love for humanity". Many have found comfort and solace praying the Novena, and this year we have particular reason as a community, a nation and a global people to find strength, patience and reassurance in God's love for us.

As a way of encouraging and supporting our readers and promoters, we have made the 2020 Novena available to download from our website FREE OF CHARGE.

Bishop McKeown is saying Mass on 4th June through the webcam at Saint Eugene's Cathedral for the Year 7/6th Class pupils who would normally have been at the Fan the Flame Mass in Celtic Park. We would like them to engage from home with their families as much as possible. So attached are resources which will go up on our website too. The Gospel for the day is the Beatitudes-very appropriate-I've included a background sheet for teachers-keeping it simple. The children can choose one Beatitude or a general theme on them for their T-Shirts-I see on social media some children have already started-again as ever-old T Shirts for the children are perfect-any colour!

Dear Parishioners

It looks as if, at long last, we are beginning to see brighter days ahead. It has been a difficult journey for everyone and it saddens our hearts to see businesses shut down and workers deprived of their employment. We are grateful to those who maintain necessary occupations, even putting themselves in danger to ensure that essential services are provided. The whole situation has brought about an air of unreality where a lot of what we have come to regard as normal living has had to be suspended. When we look at the future we realise that life as we have known it will not return in its fullness and we wonder, with some anxiety, what will happen or how we will cope. Our Christian faith assures us that God will be with us no matter in what form it arrives, and that this painful time will give birth to a way of living that will offer us the possibility of being happy once again. It will free us of some of the distractions what have only increased our selfishness and enable us to focus better on what brings true happiness - good neighbourliness, care for the weak and vulnerable, less attention to our personal self-centredness and pampering and a more wholesome relationship with the earth. Until then don't let the confinement become oppressive and continue to follow good advice and sensible regulations.

Fr. Brian. Fr Karl

Come, O Holy Spirit by John Henry Newman

Come, O Holy Spirit.

Come as Holy Fire and burn in us,

come as Holy Wind and cleanse us within,

come as Holy Light and lead us in the darkness,

come as Holy Truth and dispel our ignorance,

come as Holy Power and enable our weakness,

come as Holy Life and dwell in us.

Convict us, convert us, consecrate us,

until we are set free from the service of ourselves,

to be your servants to the world. Amen.

