

PARISH OF INVER Sat 11th – Sunday 12th January 2025 ~ The Baptism of the Lord ~ Year C

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CHURCH OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY, FROSSES

Live-Streaming and Newsletter on <https://www.mcn.live/camera/st-marys-frosses-inver>

Sunday 12 th January	10:00am	Charlie Moohan (Anniversary) Michael & Rose Thomas (Anniversaries)
Monday 13 th January	10:00am	
Tuesday 14 th January	10:00am 10:30am–12:30pm	Eucharistic Adoration
Wednesday 15 th January	10:00am	
Thursday 16 th January	10:00am	
Friday 17 th January	10:00am	
Saturday 18 th January	No Mass	
Sunday 19 th January	10:00am	Teresa McHugh (1 st Anniversary) Hugo Meehan (Anniversary) Maureen Quinn (Month's Mind)

ANNIVERSARIES AT THIS TIME: Brigid Williamson


EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: Tuesdays 10:30am until 12:30pm

CONFESSIONS: Available after any Mass and at any time on request

CHURCH COLLECTION: Collections 22/12 €1435 29/12 €830 05/01 €1630 Christmas Remembrance Tree €700 Thank you for your continued support.

CHURCH ENVELOPES You may contribute by Standing Order / Online Banking if you wish, Bank details for Church of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Frosses: Inver Parish Account IBAN: IE75 BOFI 9048 3556 8662 33

THE ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY: (Frosses and Inver Area) CONFIDENTIAL NUMBER 087 7020601

 **Join Our Choir.** We warmly welcome anyone who would like to be part of our wonderful choir in Frosses Church, whether you are a singer, musician, organist...we would be delighted to have you join us! Everyone is welcome!

ST. NAUL'S CHURCH, ARDAGHEY

Masses can be heard on the local FM Radio at 108Mhz OR on Facebook live – ST NAULS PARISH INVER

Saturday 11 th January	6:00pm	
Sunday 12 th January	No Mass	
No Mass during the week		
Thursday 16 th January	7pm – 8pm	Eucharistic Adoration
Saturday 18 th January	6:00pm	Special Intention
Sunday 19 th January	No Mass	

ANNIVERSARIES AT THIS TIME: Hugh Augustin McNern

LEGION OF MARY Thursdays 10:45am meeting in Ardaghey sacristy

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: Adoration Thursdays 7 – 8pm

CHURCH COLLECTION: Collections 22/12 €1015 Immaculate Conception €168 29/12 €960 05/01 €1188 Thank you for your continued support

CHURCH ENVELOPES You may contribute by Standing Order / Online Banking if you wish. Bank details for St Nauls Ardaghey IBAN: IE79 BOFI 9048 3556 8661 61

CHURCH OF THE SACRED HEART, MOUNTCHARLES

Sunday 12 th January	11:30am	Thelma McHugh (1 st Anniversary) Joe Kane (1 st Anniversary) Christopher Lowther (Anniversary) Jim & Mary Angela Meehan (Anniversaries)
No Mass during the week		
Friday 17 th January	3pm–4pm	Eucharistic Adoration
Saturday 18 th January	No Mass	
Sunday 19 th January	11:30am	Nancy Herron (Anniversary)

ANNIVERSARIES AT THIS TIME: Joe & Teresa Kane

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: Fridays 3:00pm – 4:00pm

CONFESSIONS Available after any Mass and at any time on request.

CHURCH COLLECTION: Collections 22/12 €1149 29/12 €1170 05/01 €686 Thank you for your support.

CHURCH ENVELOPES. You may contribute by Standing Order / Online Banking if you wish, Bank details: Mountcharles Church Account IBAN: IE08 BOFI 9048 3556 8660 81

THE ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY: CONFIDENTIAL NUMBER 086 1690524

Ministers of the Eucharist–January 2025 Sunday Mass Yvonne McMonagle and Bernie McIntyre.

All matters relating to Funerals, Baptisms and Weddings for Mountcharles and Drimarone should be referred to Fr James Sweeney, Parochial House, Frosses 0749736006 email: inverparish@gmail.com

CHURCH OF THE HOLY REDEEMER, DRIMARONE

Saturday 11 th January	7:30pm	John Gallagher (Anniversary)
Saturday 18 th January	7:30pm	Kathleen Conaghan (Anniversary)

RECENTLY DECEASED: Annabella McGroary

CHURCH COLLECTION: 21/12 €740 28/12 €865 04/01 €415 Thank you for your support.

CHURCH ENVELOPES by You may contribute Standing Order / Online Banking if you wish. Bank details:

Drimarone Church Account IBAN: IE22 BOFI 9048 3556 8662 17

THE ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY: CONFIDENTIAL NUMBER 086 1690524

Unmarked Graves in Cranny Road and Frosses Graveyards: A period of six months notice is being given starting October 2024 and ending at the end of March 2025 after which all unmarked and unused burial plots that remain unclaimed, may be reallocated as required. Any enquiries to Fr Sweeney 074 9736006

PAROCHIAL HOUSE TEL. NO'S:

Frosses: 074 9736006 | Bruckless: 074 9737015 | Killymard: 074 9721929 | Donegal Town: 074 9721026

NOTICES FOR NEWSLETTER: email inverparish@gmail.com DEADLINE: 12noon on Thursdays

Dates for the Diary 2025

CONFIRMATION 2025 will take place in Frosses Church on Saturday 8th March at 12noon

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2025 will take place as follows:

Saturday 10th May

Church of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Frosses for the children of Frosses NS and Killian NS at 11:00am

Church of the Sacred Heart, Mountcharles for the children of St Peter's NS at 2:00pm

Saturday 17th May St Naul's Church, Ardaghey for the children of St Naul's NS, Keelogs at 11:00am

Annual Cemetery Blessings 2025

Sunday 27 th July	Mountcharles Graveyard	After 11:30am Mass
Sunday 27 th July	Drimarone Cemetery	3:00pm
Sunday 27 th July	Ardaghey Cemetery	5:00pm
Sunday 3 rd August	Cranny Road Cemetery	4:00pm
	Frosses Graveyard	5:00pm

FR MORTY: Recent tests show that my chemotherapy trial has failed. I'm fortunate to begin a new trial on February 7th. (Google fr morty blog for updates.)

NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION: Consider giving God 20 minutes a day in prayer. An ideal way to fulfil the 20 minutes is to pray the Rosary at a moderate pace while making a real effort to meditate on the mysteries of the day. If you're already at this level of Christian commitment, consider the 8 suggestions of St Josemarie Escriva: 1. Don't hit the snooze button in the morning; 2. Don't shirk from your commitments; 3. Wait to speak until your anger passes; 4. Maintain simplicity and constancy in your devotions; 5. Stop gossiping; talk to God instead; 6. Focus on the little things; 7. Remain humble, even when you are praised; 8. Be childlike before God. See <http://www.tiny.cc/8NYR>

DOROTHY DAY: "I'm so glad Jesus was born in a stable. Because my soul is so much like a stable. It's poor and in unsatisfactory condition – yet I believe that if Jesus can be born in a stable, maybe he can also be born in me."

ANNUAL EUCCHARISTIC HEALING RETREAT led by Eddie Stones & others takes place at the Great Northern Hotel, Bundoran from Fri 17th Jan till Sun 19th. See www.tiny.cc/ES25 for program & registration or contact Mary 086 315 2460.

ALPHA IRELAND is holding a day in Donegal Town Pastoral Centre on Sat 18th Jan from 9:30am till 3pm. This is an acclaimed faith formation program that seeks to bring us into a deeper relationship with Jesus as our Lord and Saviour. For details visit www.tiny.cc/ALPHADTC

The Raphoe Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2025 will depart from The City of Derry Airport on Monday 19th May for 4 nights. The Pilgrimage will be led by Monsignor, Kevin Gillespie, Diocesan Administrator, with Pilgrimage Director, Fr Stephen Gorman. The cost of the Pilgrimage is €889 per person in the Agena Hotel or €939 per person in the Panorama Hotel. This includes direct return flights from City of Derry Airport to Lourdes, full religious programme, all airport transfers in Lourdes, taxes and Sanctuary Levy, four nights' accommodation in selected hotels, with breakfast, lunch and dinner each day. There is a single room supplement of €39 per night. **All bookings should be made through Joe Walsh Tours DIRECTLY on 01 2410800.** Anyone wishing to travel with the Special Assisted Section should apply in writing to: Raphoe Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes, Pilgrimage Director, Fr Stephen Gorman, Parochial House, Milford, Co Donegal, F92 W5C8. Email lourdes@raphoediocese.ie or phone 074 9153236 for further information. The Special Assisted/Sick Section is accommodated at the Accueil Notre Dame. Acceptance for travel with the Special Assisted Section for the sick is subject to approval of the Raphoe Pilgrimage Medical Board.

Prayer of Pope Francis:

Let the risen Jesus enter your life, welcome him as a friend, with trust: He is life!
If up till now you have kept him at a distance, step forward. He will receive you with open arms. If you have been indifferent, take a risk: you won't be disappointed. If following him seems difficult, don't be afraid, trust him, be confident that he is close to you, he is with you and he will give you the peace you are looking for and the strength to live as he would have you do.
Pope Francis

Mountcharles Tidy Towns: "Quiz fundraiser night at **The Shamrock Inn, Mountcharles - 9.30pm, Saturday, 25th January.** All welcome! Raffle with lots of great prizes to be won! All proceeds go to Mountcharles Tidy Towns and Mountcharles Community Development CLG."

WANTED FOR THE MISSIONS USED STAMPS AND CHRISTMAS CARDS ETC CONTACT HELEN MEEHAN [COOLUM] 0749735125

Naomh Naille GAA & LGFA Club Slotto Week 23rd December There was no winner of this weeks slotto prize money. The numbers drawn were 4 6 2 5 3 1 7. The Consolation prize of €80 goes to Joe Brennan, Mountcharles. **Week 31st December** There was no winner of this weeks slotto prize money. The numbers drawn were 4 2 3 1 6 5 7. The Consolation prize of €80 goes to Gerard Tighe, Mountcharles. **Week 6th January.** There was no winner of this weeks slotto prize money. The numbers drawn were 2 4 3 6 1 5 7. The Consolation prize of €80 goes to Michelle Quinn

Remember to purchase your ticket in Londis Mountcharles, Cassidy's of Inver or from our online platform through St Naul's club app. <https://member.clubspot.app/club/st-nauls-gaa/fundraisers>

Season Tickets Season tickets for the 2025 season are officially on sale! The Allianz League is just around the corner so get yours today gaa.ie/tickets

St. Stephen's Day walk. Our annual walk/ run was a great success this year with a great deal of people taking part. Well done to everyone involved.

Club Membership for 2025 is now open and can be easily obtained through the St. Nauls App, free to download. All players MUST have membership paid in order to train or play.

My Life Challenge The Irish Life walking challenge is open again to everyone. Download the free MYLife App and record your steps and help Naomh Naille enter the draw for €30,000!

New Year's Dance in Inver Community Centre on Sunday 12th January dancing 9-11pm Music by Tory Sound. Everyone welcome.

Supporting your Church: Please consider making your contributions by online banking, standing order/direct debit when supporting your Church. Bank details are listed under each Church in the newsletter, please include your name as the reference. Thank you for supporting your Church.

The Parish Tax Back Scheme (Charitable Donation Scheme) is a huge financial benefit to the parish during these tough economic times. If you haven't signed up to the scheme, I would appeal to you to consider please doing so. The CHY3 enduring certificate enables the parish to claim tax relief if you donate €250+ in any of the five years covered by the form. It simplifies the tax relief process for both you, the donor and the parish. These forms are available in the porch (Ardaghey & Frosses churches) and from the office in Parochial House, Frosses.

Let us Pray: Pour forth, we beseech Thee, O Lord, Thy grace into our hearts; that, we to whom the Incarnation of Christ, Thy Son, was made known by the message of an Angel, may by His Passion and Cross, be brought to the glory of His Resurrection. Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.
May the Divine Assistance remain always with us and may the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen