

PARISH OF INVER Sat 1st / Sun 2nd May 2021 ~ Fifth Sunday of Easter ~ Year B

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Due to restrictions being imposed on the entire Country, all Masses with congregations are suspended in the Diocese of Raphoe Churches will remain open for private prayer. The use of facemasks is recommended in places of worship.

ST MARY'S CHURCH, FROSSES

Live-Streaming is now available on <https://www.mcnmedia.tv/camera/st-marys-frosses-inver>

Sunday 2 nd May	11:00am	Sunday Mass – no congregation
Monday 3 rd May	10:00am	Mass – no congregation
Tuesday 4 th May	10:00am	Mass – no congregation
Wednesday 5 th May	10:00am	Mass – no congregation
Thursday 6 th May	10:00am	Mass – no congregation
Friday 7 th May	10:00am	Mass – no congregation
Saturday 8 th May	No Mass	
Sunday 9 th May	11:00am	Sunday Mass – no congregation

RECENTLY DECEASED: Joseph (Joe) Friel Mallow and Ballybrillighan, Frosses who passed away peacefully on April 26th and was laid to rest Wednesday 28th April in Cork Ellen Campbell (wife of the late Willie Joe Campbell)

ANNIVERSARIES, MONTH'S MINDS AND OTHER MASS INTENTIONS Please arrange any of the above directly with Fr Sweeney at the Parochial House 074 9736006

CHURCH COLLECTION: Thank you to everyone for your continued support it is most welcome in this difficult time. Sincere thanks to all the parishioners who have donated to the Live-Streaming which is available on <https://www.mcnmedia.tv/camera/st-marys-frosses-inver>.

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 1 st May	6:00pm	Mass – no congregation
Sunday 2 nd May	No Mass	
Monday 3 rd May	10:00am	Mass – no congregation
Tuesday 4 th May	10:00am	Mass – no congregation
Wednesday 5 th May	7:30pm	Mass – no congregation
Thursday 6 th May	10:00am	Mass – no congregation
Friday 7 th May	7:30pm	Mass – no congregation
Saturday 8 th May	10:00am	Mass – no congregation
	6:00pm	Mass – no congregation
Sunday 9 th May	No Mass	

ANNIVERSARIES: Mary and Tony Breen; Mollie Moore

CONFESSION: Contact Fr Morty at the Parochial House.

A 'GETHSEMANE' VIGIL with Jesus will be held this Thursday 9-10pm in Fr Morty's prayer room and will be streamed on Facebook. It is a time of watchful prayer with Jesus during his Agony in the Garden.

CHURCH COLLECTION: Recent Collection €616 Additional Trócaire €30 Thank you to everyone for your continued support it is most welcome in this difficult time.

CHURCH OF THE SACRED HEART, MOUNTCHARLES

Sunday 2 nd May	11:00am	Sunday Mass – no congregation
Friday 7 th May	3 – 5pm	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
	7:00pm	Mass – no congregation
Sat 8 th May	10:00am	Mass – no congregation
Sun 9 th May	11:00am	Sunday Mass – no congregation

MASSSES SAID ALSO DURING THE WEEK WITHOUT CONGREGATION.

MASSSES LIVESTREAMED VIA FACEBOOK LIVE, WEEKENDS ONLY.

RECENTLY DECEASED: George Wilson; Anthony McInaw

ANNIVERSARIES: Angela McCallig; Billy Caffrey

ADORATION OF BLESSED SACRAMENT: Fridays from 3pm to 5pm. Confessions also available.

SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION: If in need of the Sacrament of confession feel free to contact Fr. Ferry at any time

CHURCH COLLECTION: Recent Collection €490 Trócaire €1085 Thank you for your support. You are asked to continue to support the financial upkeep of your Church in these times of restrictions. Church maintenance and expenditure remain the same as before.

ANNIVERSARY MASSES: If you wish to have an Anniversary Mass said please contact priest or sacristan to arrange. All Anniversary Masses will be said privately and without congregation for next few weeks due to Covid restrictions. Be assured of continued prayers of the priests in our parish at this time. Keep safe and God bless.

LIVESTREAMING OF MASSES. "Sacred Heart/Holy Redeemer Chapel" Facebook page

CHURCH OF THE HOLY REDEEMER, DRIMARONE

Sunday 2 nd May	9:30am	Sunday Mass – no congregation
Sunday 9 th May	9:30am	Sunday Mass – no congregation

Streamed live also. Go to "Sacred Heart/Holy Redeemer Chapel" Facebook page.

ANNIVERSARIES: Pray for all whose anniversaries occur at this time

CHURCH COLLECTION: Recent Collections €738 Thank you for your continued support

LOST PROPERTY – MOUNTCHARLES: An engagement ring was found on Thursday in the area of the Church carpark, Mountcharles, just at the bottom of the steps. If you have lost an engagement ring in this vicinity or if you know of someone who has, please contact 0868012311. Hopefully this ring will find its way back to its rightful owner.

An Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.

I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally,

come at least spiritually into my heart.

I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You.

Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

— based on a prayer of St Alphonsus Liguori

PAROCHIAL HOUSE TEL. NO'S:

Frosses: 074 97 36006 Ardaghey: 074 97 36007 Mountcharles: 074 97 35009

Donegal Town: 074 97 21026 Killymard: 074 97 21929 Bruckless: 074 97 37015

"There is no danger of developing eye strain from looking on the bright side of things." Joyce Meyer

May Altar May is dedicated to Our Lady. Pope Francis has asked people to pray the Rosary for an end to the pandemic. Why not erect a May Altar in your home.

PRAYING FOR AN END TO COVID PANDEMIC: Pope Francis invites Catholics and Marian Shrines around the world to dedicate the month of May to a marathon of prayer (and especially the Rosary) for an end to the Pandemic. It takes place under the theme "The whole Church was fervently praying to God," which recalls a verse in the Book of Acts of the Apostles (12:5). The initiative will involve all the Shrines of the world in a special way, so that they might encourage the faithful, families, and communities to recite the Rosary to pray for an end to the pandemic. Pope Francis will open the Marian month of prayer on 1 May with a 5pm (Irish Time) Rosary broadcast across Vatican Media's platforms (for example search YouTube for VATICAN MEDIA LIVE ENGLISH). The Pope will also close the initiative on 31 May with another specially-broadcast Rosary. This year's dedication of May to pandemic-related prayer recalls a similar occurrence during the first wave in March 2020. Pope Francis led the world in prayer during that confusing and difficult time, celebrating a live-streamed, daily Mass in the Casa Santa Marta. After more than a year, and with the world still in the grips of the pandemic, the Pope and the Church around the world are once again leading the way in imploring God for an end to the suffering which so many people are forced to bear. Please do consider joining the Vatican online daily Rosary at 5pm. Otherwise pray the Rosary (preferably with one's family) daily and offer it up in a special way for an end to the pandemic.

Women of Faith Conference will be LIVE on Radio Maria Ireland on Saturday May 8th from 2pm. Bishop Phonsie Cullinan will open and bless the Conference. *SPEAKERS:* Maria Steen, Sr. Briege McKenna, Frances Hogan, Sr. Emanuela of the Sisters of the Divine Revelation.

EASTER BREAKTHROUGH is a reflection of Pope Benedict XVI - visit www.tiny.cc/PB16EB. He writes: "What would it mean if Easter, the Resurrection of Jesus, had not taken place?... Well, if there was no Resurrection, the story of Jesus would have ended with Good Friday... he would have become a has-been. But that would mean that God does not take the initiatives in history, that he is either unable or unwilling to touch this world of ours, our human living and dying. And that in turn would mean that love is futile... an empty and vain promise. It would mean that there is no judgement and no justice. It would mean that the [present] moment is all that counts and that right belongs to the cunning, the crafty and those without consciences... What Easter does mean [is that] God has acted. History does not go on aimlessly. Justice, love, truth - these are realities, genuine reality. God loves us; he comes to meet us. The more we go along his path and live in his way... the more our hearts will be filled with Easter joy... it is the breakthrough that has determined the meaning of all history."

THE ATHEIST'S BLUFF: In many ways, atheism is based on the big bluff that you can have your cake and eat it. In the latest paper from *The Iona Institute*, Dr Gerard Casey, former head of the Department of Philosophy at UCD, calls this bluff. Visit www.tinyurl.com/IONA2021. The bluff is that you can deny the existence of God, and all the consequences are positive. But this is far from the case. In fact, denying the existence of God means we also have to ditch belief in things most of us take for granted and never question, for example, free will, objective right and wrong, the idea that the universe (and life) has a meaning and purpose. Ultimately with atheism we must accept that death is the total end of our existence which is opposed to our deepest human instincts.

Mary's Meals Online Quiz Mary's Meals feeds 1.83m children in 19 countries every school day. An Online Quiz to support its work takes place on the last Friday of each month at 8pm. To register go to www.bit.ly/QuizforMM or contact Martin Colfer 087 2596159

Sunday Collections – Upkeep of Churches

Thank you for continuing the contributions to parish funds, it is welcome in a difficult time.

Parishioners are asked to place Sunday Envelopes in the box provided in each Church

You may also contribute by Standing Order if you wish: **Bank account details:** Bank of Ireland, The Diamond, Donegal Town BIC: BOFIE2D Branch Code: 90-48-35

Frosses: Inver Parish Account IBAN: IE75 BOFI 9048 3556 8662 33

Ardaghey: St Nauls Ardaghey IBAN: IE79 BOFI 9048 3556 8661 61

Mountcharles: Mountcharles Church Account IBAN: IE08 BOFI 9048 3556 8660 81

Drimarone: Drimarone Church Account IBAN: IE22 BOFI 9048 3556 8662 17

BLUESTACK CENTRE DRIMARONE

Online BINGO Every Wednesday Night at 8.30 pm.

You can register online <https://bit.ly/3dnXQYd>

or **buy books at** the Bluestack Centre Drimarone, Sheerin's Londis Mountcharles and Timony's Spar

Donegal Town, Village Shop, Frosses. Single Books €10 Double Books €15 Total Prize Money €2000.

More details on Facebook:

Bluestacks Centre Drimarone Online Bingo

ST NAULS

St Nauls Club Slotto draw results from 25/04/2021.

The numbers drawn were 6 2 3 4 5 1 7. There was no winner of this weeks jackpot. Remember to purchase your ticket in Londis Mountcharles, Cassidy's of Inver or from our online platform through Clubforce

10 Week Development Draw. Huge thanks to all our ticket sellers, our committee and our community at large who have supported this draw. Thanks to our draw sponsor this week Bluestack Centre.

Week 1 Draw Winners;

€200 Mickey Martin, Donegal

€200 Alannah Gallagher, Station Road

€200 Declan Mc Shane, Rushy Hill

€300 Martin Mc Hugh, Laghey

€500 Tiernan O'Rourke, Killybegs

€1000 Jamie Murray, Drimconnor

Bingo Books Mark Doherty, Buncrana

Next draw will be on Sun 2nd May

COMMUNITY EMPLOYMENT:

We have vacancies in the Mountcharles and Donegal Town areas for General Maintenance/Caretaking positions.

If you are unemployed and interested contact 0877694024.

INVER ROWING CLUB - Membership for 2021 is now open. Fees as in previous years (€50 Family; €20 Adult; €10 Junior). Hopefully we will get back on the water in the coming weeks. Kayaks are available for our Members to use. Due to current covid restrictions, we have some safety procedures to follow, but we hope to be able to provide safe rowing for all very soon. We hope to start rowing for junior members in the next few weeks, children age 11+ are welcome to try it out - any queries or need membership forms, please contact us via Facebook or contact Jackie on 0838000936.

IF YOU NEED ASSISTANCE FROM THE ST VINCENT DE PAUL (FROSSES AREA)

LOCAL CONFIDENTIAL NUMBER 087 7020601