

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time
A Short reflection on today's Gospel
Luke 17:11-19

“Ten were cleansed, were they not? Where are the other nine?” Luke 17:11-19

Today's Gospel is a powerful reminder that no-one is excluded from God's love: His healing grace is freely given to all and His generous, compassionate heart is moved by the pitiful pleas of the suffering regardless of who they are or where they come from. The Gospel reminds us that it is not necessarily those who harbour a sense of entitlement in their hearts who are the first recipients of God's healing, saving grace.

Jesus is continuing his journey to Jerusalem when ten lepers, careful to keep their distance from him as they are obliged to do, call out to him, “Jesus, Master, have pity on us!” Jesus' response is instant. “Go show yourselves to the priests.” he tells them, and as they hurry away they are cleansed of their foul disease. We can only imagine their joy at the realisation that the suppurating sores on their bodies have vanished: that, miracle of miracles, they have been healed of the putrid, festering disease which has forced them to live apart from others, excluded, reviled, rejected. Yet, only one, a Samaritan, returns, glorifying God. He throws himself at the feet of Jesus and thanks him. This one man of the ten sees the truth: he recognizes in Jesus the saving, healing action of God and his gratitude is heartfelt.

Jesus, may we live our faith in humility and gratitude for the gifts your heavenly Father's healing grace bestows on us daily. May our hearts be open and receptive to the gifts of love, comfort and consolation which God sends us so often through the kindness of those around us. May we cultivate gratitude and banish the discontent from our hearts which blinds us to the goodness and the glory in our lives.

Job Title: Pastoral Youth Ministry Co-ordinator (St Eugene's and St Columba's) & Cathedral Hall Manager (1-year Fixed Term contract with possibility of extension) Reporting to: Parish Pastoral Development Coordinator for Templemore Parish Hours of work: 35 hours per week (Evening and Weekend work required) Place of work: Templemore Parish: St Eugene's & St Columba's & Cathedral Hall For application packs please contact: Bishop's House, St Eugene's Cathedral, Francis Street, Derry, BT48 9AP, telephone 028 7126 2302 or email: payroll@derrydiocese.org.



Sympathy

We offer our sympathy to the family and friends of:

Hugh Murray
Anne Marie Joyce
Raymond Rogan

May they rest in peace

Anniversaries

Please pray for the repose of the souls of:

Manus Doherty
Maureen Keys
Annie Phelan
Robbie Heron
John Kelly

May they rest in peace.

Baptisms

We welcome as members of God's family:

Ava Grace McBay
Aria Rose Doherty
Liam Peter Fay
Matéo McDonagh

To book a Baptism phone 02871262894.



Sacrament of Marriage

We congratulate the couple who celebrated the Sacrament of Marriage recently in the Cathedral.

Shannon Lynch &
Patrick Farren

Thank you

Fr Farren acknowledges with thanks the following donations for:

Children in Need £20
Mary's Meals £25
SVDP £25
Pakistan Floods £40
The Smile Train £30
Sight Savers £30
Cathedral Funds £15

Collection

Last Week: £4192
Parish Development: £872

Thank you for your generosity

Readers for next weekend
15th/16th October

06.15 pm	Carmel Devenney
07.30 pm	Piaras O Meallain
09.30 am	Rosemary Finan
11.00 am	St Anne's P.S.
12.30 pm	Eilish Friel
07.00 pm	Anna Begley

Exploring Poetry with Mary Murphy will commence on Friday 14th October at 11.00am in St Eugene's Cathedral Hall and online. If you would like the Poems sent to you prior to the event, please email emmet.thompson@derrydiocese.org. Everyone is welcome to attend.

ULSTER PROJECT DERRY 2023 Applications are now open for Ulster Project 2023. We are a non-funded organisation so parents must meet the full cost of the project for your teen. We do have group fundraising events throughout the months prior. Teens must be 15 on or before 1 July 2023 and attend church regularly. For further information please email ulsterprojectderrylondonderry@outlook.com. Closing date for applications is Friday 21 October 2022

Our Lady, Untier of Knots Novena continues after 7.30 pm Mass on Thursday, 13th October.

Youth 2000 Regional Retreat will take place in Lough Derg, Co. Donegal between 14th-16th October 2022.

'BECOMING' – 1-Day Retreat by Thornhill Ministries. Monday 24 October 10:00 am – 3:00 pm An Grianan Hotel, Burt. A day in which to take the long view on our awareness and growing in our spiritual 'becoming' as we navigate the joys and challenges, the ups and downs of life's journey. Day includes reflection, input, contemplation, Mass. Lunch provided. A donation welcome. To register: Text 077 368 32458/ email thornhillministries@derrydiocese.org

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Priests: Fr Paul Farren | Fr Roni Zacharias Deacon: Rev Michael McCaul