

Sunday (24th October)

Masses at 7.00 am, 9.30 am, 11.00 am, 12.30 pm and 7.00 pm

6.00 pm Benediction

Monday to Friday (25th October to 29th October)

Mass at 8.00 am, 10.00 am and 7.30 pm

12.00 noon The Angelus & Rosary

3.00 pm Divine Mercy Chaplet

8.00 pm Eucharistic Adoration, Rosary followed by Night Prayer

Saturday (30th October)

Mass at 10.00 am, Vigil Masses at 6.15 pm and 7.30 pm.

Face Coverings: St Eugene's Cathedral ask all adults and children aged 14 and over to please wear a face covering at Masses and other liturgical celebrations ie Funerals, Baptisms, First Communion, Weddings (unless they are exempt from wearing mandatory face coverings). Medical advice is that wearing face coverings is first and foremost about protecting others.

Please continue to observe social distancing, to use the hand sanitiser on entering and leaving the Cathedral.

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:
Sundays from 3.00 pm to 6.00 pm and
Tuesdays from 10.30 am to 7.30 pm.**



Please join us via the Webcam:

We invite you to join us via webcam in St Eugene's Cathedral by watching our live streaming which can be viewed online at www.churchservices.tv, churchmedia.tv/camera/st-eugenescathedral or the parish website at www.steugenescathedral.com.



A short reflection on today's Gospel. *Mark 10:46-52*

Go your faith has saved you.

In today's Gospel, Bartimaeus, the blind beggar, throws off his cloak and runs, full of faith, to Jesus to be healed. His cloak is an emblem of his helplessness, of his suffering and misery; it is something to hide behind, something which offers some kind of shelter and warmth. By throwing it off, Bartimaeus demonstrates his complete faith that Jesus will heal him, and indeed it is his faith which Jesus affirms has restored his sight.

'Go; your faith has saved you.'

The cure of Bartimaeus begs the question: 'What will Bartimaeus do with his new-found sight?' Will he forever follow in the footsteps of Jesus, clear-eyed and trusting, living out his life according to the truth revealed to him?

And the cure of Bartimaeus begs the question of the rest of us: What do we do with the sight gifted to us by God? The word 'respect' means 'seeing again'; in other words, seeing more deeply than first sight. Jesus always saw deeply into people. He saw beyond the superficial, the readily available, into the truth which resided in their hearts. He saw the beautiful truth which lived in the heart of the woman who washed his feet with her tears and dried them with her hair, while the Pharisee only saw her doubtful status as a woman of ill repute.

Jesus, may we see your beautiful face in the most demoralised of human beings?

Jesus, may we see beyond the evil which men do to the brokenness, the love gone sick, of the evildoer?

Jesus, may we always 'look again'. May we seek to see beyond the superficial, the readily available, to the deeper meanings in the lives of others, just as you taught us to do.

Sympathy

We offer our sympathy to the family and friends of

Rosemary Norrby

Patrick (Pat) Campbell

Cecilia (Sheila) Wilson



May they rest in peace

Anniversaries

Kathleen Toland, Meta McKendrick and Susan McIntyre

May they rest in peace.

Baptisms

We welcome as members of God's family

Conal Anthony James Molloy

Aéla Rose McCafferty

Charlie Ruaidhrí Feeney

Nora Margo McGowan



Sacrament of Marriage

We congratulate

Wendy Mount and Noel Campbell;

Clíodna O'Connor and Conor McCrory;

Charmaine Doherty and Gary Irvine;

Rachelle Meenan and Jason Moore

who recently celebrated the Sacrament of Marriage here
in St Eugene's Cathedral.



Readers for next weekend – 30th/31st October 2021

06.15 pm	Marian Boyle
07.30 pm	Helen Breslin
09.30 am	Barry McDaid
11.00 am	Piaras O Meallain
12.30 pm	Niamh Kehoe
07.00 pm	Anna Begley



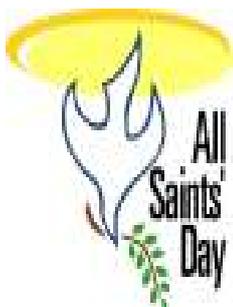
Today is World Mission Sunday



World Mission Sunday is Pope Francis' annual appeal for spiritual and financial support so that the life-giving work of overseas mission and missionaries can continue.

The theme for World Mission Sunday 2021 is ***We Cannot Remain Silent: 'For we cannot keep from speaking about what we have seen and heard'*** (Acts 4:20).

A series of presentations on Mission Today - what mission means in today's society - will be available online, by Zoom, on the Tuesday and Thursday evenings of the month of October. Each presentation is free and will consist of a short talk, discussion on the topic and a chance to ask questions. For more information on the individual presentations, the speakers and to receive the Zoom links, visit derrydiocese.org/mission-month.



Feast of All Saints on Monday, 1st November

It is a Holyday of Obligation.

Masses on Monday, 1st November at 7.00 am, 9.30 am, 11.00 am, 12.30 and 7.30 pm.

The Retired Priests Collection will be taken up at all Masses on the Feast of All Saints.

Starting conversations in our parishes



"We have to look at where the Lord is leading us in order for us to be effective in making new disciples for the Lord"

The Catholic Church throughout the world and in Ireland is beginning a series of conversations about what God wants of his people at this time. These conversations are often referred to as a Synodal Process. "Synodal" comes from a Greek word which means "walking together".

Sunday, 17th October marked the opening of this Synodal Process entitled, ***For a synodal Church: communion, participation and mission***. This Synodal Process coincides with the start of the two-year Synodal Pathway for the Catholic Church in Ireland which will lead, in time, to a National Synodal Assembly in Ireland.

We pray that the next two years will be a time of prayer, listening and discernment, involving a consultative conversation. This will allow all people - both within the Church and in society at large, to share their insights into the Catholic Church in Ireland – past, present and future – so that we can prepare for a National Synodal Assembly in the coming years.

Bishop Donal explains this is the start of our Synodal Journey

"We have set ourselves in Ireland a five year period, to look together in a prayerful context where God is leading His Church"

In this video, <https://youtu.be/Lhky65OFFeQ>, Bishop Donal McKeown reminds us of the purpose of the Church and outlines the prayerful consultation process of Synodality, of walking together, of listening, of being led by the Holy Spirit to understand where the Lord is leading us.

What happens next?

In the coming weeks and months information will be shared here and throughout each parish in the Diocese on planned events and discussions. Watch your Parish Bulletins, your parish website and social media channels.



Our Lady, Untier of Knots Novena will continue after 7.30 pm Mass each Thursday until 25th November. Do you have some “knots” in your life? Knots of discord in your family, the knots of deep hurts in relationships, the absence of peace and joy in the home. Sometimes our lives may seem one big knot due to circumstances beyond our control when we face health problems. This Novena reminds us that sin never entangled Our Lady; that Christ gave His Mother to be our Mother, the Untier of Knots. We pray and entrust our specific “knots” to Her loving hands, learning how to let go of that which binds us.

**Our Lady, Untier of Knots Novena –
Meditation for Thursday, 28th October**

Mother, Untier of Knots, generous and compassionate, I come to You today to once again entrust this knot in my life to you and to ask the divine wisdom to undo, under the light of the Holy Spirit, this clutter of problems.

No one ever saw you angry; your words were so charged with sweetness that the Holy Spirit was manifested on your lips. Take away from me the bitterness, anger and hatred which this knot has caused me. Give me, O dearest Mother, some of the sweetness and wisdom that is all silently reflected in your heart. And just as you were present at Pentecost, ask Jesus to send me a new presence of the Holy Spirit at this moment in my life. Please ask the Holy Spirit to come to me!

Mary, Untier of Knots, pray for me.

Our Lady, Untier of Knots candles on sale - £2.50 each

Friday at 11.00 am: Exploring a selection of poems with Mary Murphy livestreamed from the Cathedral Hall. Join via the parish website at www.steugenescathedral.com and choose the link **CATHEDRAL HALL WEBCAM**.

The Matt Talbot Prayer Society – Praying for those suffering from Addiction: This Prayer Society has been created to pray for people who are suffering from any form of addiction, to pray for those recovering from addiction, and to pray for all those affected by addiction, especially family members. As we know addiction takes many forms from alcohol, drugs, gambling, pornography, to other less acknowledged addictions.

To join the Matt Talbot Prayer Society, you are invited to enrol the name of the person to be prayed for and the addiction we are praying that they will be freed from.



Those enrolled will be prayed for specifically every day by members of the Matt Talbot Prayer Society. Mass will be offered for those enrolled on the first Monday of every month here in St Eugene’s Cathedral at 7.30 pm. You will also receive an enrolment card to enable you to join in the prayer.

To enrol someone in the Matt Talbot Prayer Society please phone St Eugene’s Cathedral at 028 71262894/71365712 or email steugenescathedral@btconnect.com or private message St Eugene’s Cathedral.

The next Matt Talbot Mass will be celebrated here in St Eugene’s Cathedral at 7.30 pm on Monday, 1st November

Blessed Carlos Acutis

Blessed Carlo Acutis, an Italian Catholic teenager, was beatified in Assisi, Italy on 10th October 2020. He documented Eucharistic miracles around the world and catalogued them all onto a website that he created himself in the months before his death from leukaemia. Carlo was known for his cheerfulness, his care for others, his computer skills and his deep devotion to the Eucharist, saying it was his “highway to heaven”. There is a display in the Cathedral dedicated to Blessed Carlo Acutis and prayer cards which you are welcome to take.



St Eugene’s Cathedral Choir is looking for new members to join. The Choir practices at 8.00 pm on Wednesdays and sings at the 12.30 pm Mass each Sunday. There are many ways which you can serve the church. Singing is one of them. If you would be interested in singing with the Choir please get in touch with the Choir Director, Maghnus Monaghan, through the parish office or speak to him after Mass at 12.30 pm.

When completed the new Prayer Garden, which is located behind the Grotto, will be a place to come to pray and remember all those who since March 2020 when there were restrictions on attending wakes and funerals. Fifty-one rose bushes will be planted to remember those who died from each parish in the Derry Diocese.



Fr Farren acknowledges with thanks a donation for **Trócaire:** £50, £40, £60.

Last Week’s Collection amounted to £4,293.

Parish Development Collection amounted to £818.

There is a box at the back of the Cathedral for weekly parish envelopes and contributions for the upkeep of the Cathedral. **Please note cheques should be made payable to St Eugene’s Cathedral.**

If you would like to make your weekly envelope contributions by online banking or standing order, please find St Eugene’s Cathedral’s bank details below:

Account Name:	St Eugene’s Church No 1 A/C
Account Number:	55192935
Sorting Code Number:	90-49-74
IBAN:	GB45 BOFI 9049 7455 1929 35
Branch:	Bank of Ireland, 15 Strand Rd, Derry, BT48 7BT

Thank you for your continued support to the parish.

The Derry Diocesan Catechetical Centre Confirmation Preparation Programme will take place from the 10th -14th January 2022, to support parents, schools and parishes as they prepare the children in this very important stage of their faith journey. Linking with *Filled With Joy*, pupil workbook and *Disciples of Jesus*, parent booklet (available from the Diocesan Catechetical Centre) the programme will consist of,

- Four sessions, 10.00 am -12.00 am on the catecheticalcentre.org/webcam/. Each day the sessions will include catechesis on different aspects of the Sacrament of Confirmation, prayer, creative activities and music.
- A support pack for the four sessions which will be emailed to schools and available on the Catechetical Centre Website
- Short Video reflections on the gift of the Holy Spirit and the impact Confirmation has made on different people

Derry Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes, 2022: Although mindful of all the uncertainties we face at this time, the Pilgrimage Director and staff have begun planning for a return to Lourdes in early summer 2022. While it is still too early to provide details, it is intended that the date and duration will be as in recent years and hopefully these will be confirmed and announced by the end of 2021. We ask for the prayers of the people of the diocese so that, by the grace of God and intercession of Our Lady of Lourdes, we may return to Lourdes once more.

Our Faith - Developing what we were taught in school:

- Was RE just a subject in school? Would you like to really to understand it in practice?
- Are you open to deepening your understanding of your Catholic Faith?
- Do you want to better understand the Mass - the celebration to the Eucharist?
- Would you like to explore, discuss and reflect upon issues and questions of faith, the Church, and how to link faith to your everyday life?

The Pathways Adult Faith Programme by Drumalis Retreat Centre, Larne, addresses these questions and more. This two-year faith development programme, delivered one Saturday per month from October to June is available either in-house at Drumalis or by Zoom video-conferencing. For personal testimonies, full details and enrolment on the programme, visit: www.drumalis.co.uk/pathways

Adoption and Foster Care: The Western Health & Social Care Trust Adoption Team is holding an *Information Session* on Monday, 25th October at 3.30 pm. It will be delivered via Zoom. If you wish to participate, please email your request with your name and telephone number to anita.birney@westerntrust.hscni.net and confirm the email address linked to your Zoom account.

QUB Catholic Chaplaincy: The Catholic Chaplaincy at Queen's University has reopened for the new academic year. They are a vibrant community of faith and friendship at the heart of campus where students feel welcome, listened-to, valued and supported. For more on their liturgy schedule, events, facilities and amazing Café, visit qubcatholic.org.

The Every Voice Festival, managed by Allegri Arts Organisation and based in the North West of Ireland is a community-focused festival whose main objective is to celebrate local heritage, culture and the arts while promoting Derry City and Strabane District Council as a tourism destination. This year the festival marks 1500 years since the birth of Colmcille, patron saint of Derry, through music and prayer. This concert was filmed in the beautiful settings of St Columb's Cathedral, St Columba's Church Long Tower and Áras Cholmcille. It features Long Tower Folk Group, St Columb's Cathedral Choir and St Eugene's Cathedral Choir as well as a performance from an inter-denominational choir of community singers from throughout Derry and Donegal. The concert celebrates the city's shared heritage and early Irish Christianity. <https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=7YfQdIIGxY0>

Marriage Enrichment Weekend - 5th to 7th November, hosted by Catholic Marriage Encounter: Restore Communication, Renew Commitment and Rekindle Romance. This is an online experience (using Zoom), starting on Friday evening at 8.00 pm and ending on Sunday afternoon at 2.30 pm. Full details on: <https://www.marriageencounter.ie>.

Dromantine Retreat Centre: The following Retreat and Workshops will be offered by Fr Hugh Lagan SMA: **'Broken Open'** Workshop – How difficult times can help us grow. Friday, 19th November, 5.00 pm – Sunday, 21st November, 2.00pm. Cost £200 / €230. Enquiries and reservations: Tel 028 (048 from ROI) 30821964. Email: admin@dromantineconference.com

Gamblers Anonymous: Is gambling affecting your life? Perhaps Gamblers Anonymous can help: call them on 028 7135 1329.



ACCORD DERRY Virtual Interactive Marriage Preparation Programme
(limited to 15 couples per course). Booking now online at www.accordni.com.

Sharing the Good News

NEWSLETTER OF THE IRISH CATHOLIC BISHOPS' CONFERENCE

Rebrand of Pope's charity as 'Missio Ireland' ahead of World Mission Sunday

The Irish branch of the Pontifical Mission Societies, formerly known as World Missions Ireland, has been rebranded as 'Missio Ireland' at a media launch which took place in the Veritas headquarters in Dublin on 18 October. The rebranding of the Pope's official charity for overseas mission took place ahead of the annual collection on World Mission Sunday (24 October) which helps to fund the work of missionaries abroad.



Chairman of Missio Ireland, Archbishop Kieran O'Reilly SMA, said, "World Mission Sunday, and the mission month of October, calls on every person, in every parish, in every corner of the world to stand together to share what they can, no matter how little. It also challenges the traditional idea that mission work is solely done by overseas missionaries. Mission is at the heart of every Christian's baptismal call. It invites each one of us to consider the part we can play in changing our own lives and the lives of others." See www.missio.ie for more.

Bishops call for climate action and support for the 'Healthy Planet, Healthy People' petition ahead of COP15 and COP26



Bishops are encouraging the public to support a global campaign 'Healthy Planet, Healthy People', which seeks to encourage political leaders to take strong action on climate change at COP 15 on Biodiversity from 11 - 24 October and at COP26 on Climate Change in Glasgow from 31 October to 12 November.

The 'Healthy Planet, Healthy People' petition, which has been endorsed by the Vatican, calls for a joined up, just response to the Covid 19, climate and biodiversity crises. The petition can be accessed online at www.healthyplanetandpeople.org.

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The October issue is attached in PDF and image (jpeg) format to optimise sharing online. The current issue can be downloaded from the home page of www.catholicbishops.ie.

The October issue features the following articles:

- Rebrand of Pope's charity as 'Missio Ireland' ahead of World Mission Sunday
- Bishops call for climate action and support for the 'Healthy Planet, Healthy People' petition ahead of COP15 and COP26
- Special parish collection in November to support Trócaire in alleviating the humanitarian crisis in East Africa
- Nine new seminarians brings to 64 the number currently studying for the priesthood
- It would be a mistake to think that most parents are less interested in a school with a Catholic ethos..... – Archbishop Dermot Farrell
- Bishops to undertake pilgrimage to Knock to offer Mass in memory of all who died during pandemic
- Pope John Paul I on the road to sainthood
- Update on Synodal Pathway in Ireland and the Universal Synod on Synodality
- Archbishop Eamon Martin calls for prayers for the Church 'Service of Reflection and Hope' in Armagh

Aid for the Children of Yemen: Fr Neal Carlin's new book, *The Eagle, The Tiger and Covid*, is now on sale at €10/£10 and can be purchased by contacting goldenagecentre@hotmail.com. All proceeds are being sent via a direct contact to aid the Children of Yemen.

Radio Maria Ireland <https://www.radiomaria.ie/radio-maria-ireland/> is an Irish-run Catholic Talk-Radio Station with commercial-free broadcasting of Prayer, Catechesis, Music, Talks, Interviews and Testimonies.

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