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Sunday (25th July)

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 (26th July – 30th July)

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 (31st July)

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 on Tuesday beginning after 10.00 am Mass until 7.30 pm Mass.



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: John 6:1-15

The feeding of the five thousand

Today's much-loved Gospel witnesses the superabundance of the God of Love; the compassionate concern for the physical well-being of others shown by his son, Jesus; the willingness of a small boy to share what he had with others, and the proof for us that little will always be enough with love and heartfelt faith that God will take our individual efforts, however small, and gloriously multiply them.

The disciples, faced with the vastness of the crowd who had come to hear Jesus, immediately began to apply the time-bound and the finite to the problem of feeding that same crowd. Where was the money going to come from to supply the food? Who was going to travel to the nearest town to buy the food? And so on. Jesus, on the other hand, wasn't concerned with the problems of the finite and the time-bound. Jesus was aware of the infinite close by. He was aware of the superabundance of his loving Father who always responds magnanimously to our efforts to share what we have, however little, with others.

Jesus, today we learn generosity from a small child. May we always know that children, so beloved of you, are much closer than we are to innocence, to purity of heart and to the concept of unconditional love. May we treasure our children always, and look to them to inform us in the way of truth and innocence of heart.

Jesus may we learn to share abundantly with each other in the knowledge that there will always be more than enough for need, never enough for greed.

Sympathy

We offer our sympathy to the family and friends of

Leona Muldoon

James (Jim) Taylor

Rosaleen McCallion



May they rest in peace.

Baptisms

We welcome as member of God's family

Cailum Gerard White
Niamh Mary Russell
Connor Alexander Morrison
Cahir Jake Quigley
Aoibheann Lile Quigley



Sacrament of Marriage

We congratulate

Roisin Harkin & Gary O'Kane and



Marina Kivelehan & Matthew McKeegan

Sinead McLaughlin & Thomas Foster

Seanin McDaid & Christopher Ferry

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

Readers for next weekend – 31st July/1st August 2021

06.15 pm	Oran Gartland
07.30 pm	Stephen Orr
09.30 am	Kevin Finan
11.00 am	Anna Begley
12.30 pm	Marie Canning
07.00 pm	Marian Boyle



Fr John Carlin SJ was ordained to the priesthood on 23 July 1971 and is now celebrating his Golden Jubilee. He is a member of the Jesuit Order and was ordained in St Eugene's Cathedral by Bishop Neil Farren. Originally from Elmwood Street, Fr John is the eldest of the late Neil and Lizzie Carlin's children. He was the last Irish Jesuit to join that community in Hong Kong. Along with his many activities in Hong Kong, he has been Spiritual Director of the local Christian Life Community (CLC HK) a worldwide organisation which guides local communities in Jesuit teachings. We wish to congratulate Fr John on his Golden Jubilee and may God continue to send him many graces and blessings in his Priesthood.

Work is progressing on the new Prayer Garden which is located behind the Grotto in the grounds of St Eugene's Cathedral. When completed the Prayer Garden 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.

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 or email steugenes@btconnect.com or private message St Eugene's Cathedral

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.



Today, Sunday, 25th July 2021 is the first World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly established by Pope Francis on the theme 'I am with you always' (Mt 28:20).

PRAYER FOR THE FIRST WORLD DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS AND THE ELDERLY

I thank You, Lord, for the comfort of Your presence: even in times of loneliness,
You are my hope and my confidence,
You have been my rock and my fortress since my youth!

I thank You for having given me a family and for having blessed me with a long life. I thank You for moments of joy and difficulty, for the dreams that have already come true in my life and for those that are still ahead of me.

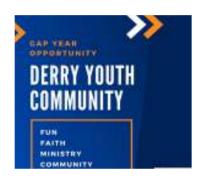


I thank You for this time of renewed fruitfulness to which You call me.

Increase, O Lord, my faith, make me a channel of your peace, teach me to embrace those who suffer more than me, to never stop dreaming and to tell of your wonders to new generations.

Protect and guide Pope Francis and the Church, that the light of the Gospel might reach the ends of the earth. Send Your Spirit, O Lord, to renew the world, that the storm of the pandemic might be calmed, the poor consoled and wars ended.

Sustain me in weakness and help me to live life to the full in each moment that You give me, in the certainty that you are with me every day, even until the end of the age. Amen.



Derry Youth Community

- ➤ Are you aged between 18-25 years old?
- ➤ Deciding what to do in the future (September 2021)?
- ➤ Thinking about a Gap Year?
- ➤ Want to do something faith based?

The Lough Derg Pilgrim Path on the lough shore is now open daily. The full route is a 12km loop, with a shorter 8km option, and several information boards highlight features of particular interest. Leaflets are available at the Visitors Centre. A guided walk experience will be offered today (Sunday, 25th) and Saturday, 31st July, with Mass outdoors, weather permitting. Further dates for these guided walks will follow for late August and early September. For bookings and further information email info@loughderg.org or telephone 0(0353) 71 9861518 or www.loughderg.org.



Fr Farren acknowledges with thanks a donation for: Flowers £20, Sight Savers £10

The Priests of the Parish thank you for your generosity to the Stipend Collection taken up last weekend.

Parish Development Collection amounted to £831.

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 Eugenes Church No 1 A/C

Account Number: 55192935 Sorting Code Number: 90-49-74

IBAN: GB45 BOFI 9049 7455 1929 35

Culmore Road, 028 71351010 or email rachael@foylehospice.com.

Branch: Bank of Ireland, 15 Strand Rd, Derry, BT48 7BT

Thank you for your understanding and your continued support to the parish.

Foyle Hospice is currently seeking new volunteers to join the team in their Day Hospice. With services re-opening Foyle Hospice are in urgent need of volunteer Hairdressers, Complementary Therapists and Beauticians/Nail Technicians. The Day Hospice is a friendly and welcoming environment where patients receive specialist palliative care services and support combined with key complementary therapies. The Day Hospice is operational on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. If you have these skills or qualifications and have a few hours to spare please contact Rachael Osbourne, Volunteer Co-ordinator, Foyle Hospice, 61

Certificate in Christian Thought: Drumalis Retreat Centre, in association with St Mary's University College, Belfast, invites applications for this two-year, part-time, intensive course which begins in September 2021. The course will be delivered over 7 Saturdays in each of two successive years, from 10.00 am until 4.30 pm. The Certificate in Christian Thought programme aims to offer a space where adults can explore, reflect upon, discuss and study faith and how it relates to life in today's world, both at a personal and community level. During the course, participants will cover topics on: Spirituality, Pastoral Theology, The Eucharist, Living the Christian Life, The Sacraments, The Scriptures, Where in the World is God? And much more. Full details are available at: derrydiocese.org/news/certificate-in-christian-thought.

Irish Volunteer Agency Creates Online Global Network: Viatores Christi, a faith-based development organisation has specialised in the recruitment, training and deployment of overseas volunteers since 1960. VC have just launched, along with our partner agencies in Volunteering for Humanity, a new Online Discussion Forum that is open to all! The Forum is an online community that is free for everyone to join and to start discussions about volunteering - how to become a volunteer; to share stories and to find volunteering opportunities such as the #EUAVI. To learn more about the forum go to our website **www.vcvolunteers.ie**



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

Preparing for Marriage? Catholic Engaged Encounter: A 'Zoom' online Marriage Preparation course is planned for <u>11th-12th September 2021</u>. This 2-day course is a positive way of preparing for Marriage where you will discover how you can enrich your future relationship. Information/Booking: <u>marriageencounter.ie</u> or <u>028276 38512</u>

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.

The Net, is now available online at https://www.derrydiocese.org/images/the-net/the-net-june-2021.pdf.

As always, it features a wide variety of news, interesting and inspiring interviews, articles and photos from parishes across the diocese.

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- Streaming on website, <u>www.radiomarie.ie</u> (subscribe and donate here also)
- 'Listen Live Radio' link on Facebook Page. (Like, Share and Follow us on Facebook)
- Phone get live radio feed by calling 003531 437 3277 (no extra charges apply).

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