

PARISH OF MAGH ENE

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St. Joseph's Church, Ballyshannon

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Day/Date	Mass Times	Intentions
Saturday (14 th August)	8.00pm	
Sunday	10.00am	John, Annie & deceased Cooney family
Monday	10.00am	
Tuesday (Rock Nursing Unit)	10.00am	
Wednesday, Thursday, Friday & Saturday	10.00am	
Saturday (Vigil)	8.00pm	John Arthur Prior, Abbeylands
Sunday (22 nd August)	10.00am	
Confessions: Priest Available for Confessions after weekday masses.		
Masses in Bundoran: Sunday: @ Saturday Vigil @ 7.00pm. Sunday @ 8.30am, 11.00am, 12.30pm Weekday: Monday- Saturday @ 10.00am		

Visit of Bishop MacDaid

Sometime soon, Bishop Liam MacDaid will pay a visit to his home Parish of Magh Ene. The Bundoran Town Council wish to honour him with a Civic Reception **while the Parish would like to have our new Bishop celebrate Mass** and have the opportunity for people to meet and greet him. We are awaiting a suitable date for this occasion to be arranged and as soon as this is known we will make the necessary arrangements.

Bishop Duffy

As we are now settling down and looking forward to life with our new Bishop, **we remember with thanks the wonderful contribution of thirty one years as Bishop and fifty years of Priesthood by Bishop Duffy to our Diocese.** We wish him well in his retirement.

September Week of Prayer

In September (19th—25th) the Parish hopes to host a week of prayer. This will be an opportunity to remember why our Churches exist in the first place, to represent the presence of the Lord living among us. Using both Churches, we ask our communities and visitors to gather in prayer before the Lord. This first year is very experimental, in that we will make the schedule as simple as possible and then review it later in the year.

During our week of prayer the Masses in both Churches will be celebrated by visiting Priests who will direct their prayer and preaching to matters dealing with the issues of today's world. We will ask our local communities to provide the personnel, music and prayers necessary for these occasions. Pope Benedict has reminded us that Eucharistic Devotion should be part of Parish life so we will arrange such adoration for a period of time in both our Churches.

In the days approaching our week of prayer, other ideas will suggest themselves to us and we will incorporate them into our overall design but let us walk carefully this year so that in years to come, our week of prayer will develop in a proper manner.

Feast of the Assumption Collection

Today there is an extra envelope in the collection for the Sick and Retired Priest's Fund. We ask people to contribute as generously as they can.

Liturgy Teams for the Month of August

If family members wish to bring the gifts to the Altar or present the readings on the occasion of an Anniversary Mass, they should give a few days advance notice to the Priest or Sacristan. If a minister is unavailable could they organise a replacement, if they can't please contact the relevant contact person.

	Vigil Mass	10.00am
Readers	Lauren Kelly	
Eucharistic Ministers	Michael Finan Marie Gavigan	Joe Drummond Bernie Boyle
Collectors (front)	Anthony Reynolds	Thomas O'Brien
Collectors (back)	Pat Mellaniff	Paul Gallagher

2. **Altar Society for August:** Brid Loughlin & Rita McNally.

3. **Mass Servers:** Sunday 15th Aug - Saturday 21st Aug: St Macartan's, Sun 22nd Aug: – Sat 28th Aug:: St Colmcille's

4. **Deceased:** Jacqueline Mc Sharry, Bundoran; Patrick Gallagher, Doobally. May they rest in peace.

5. **Cemetery Sunday:** The Annual Blessing of Graves proved yet again to be a wonderful uplifting and prayerful occasion for the whole community. Thank God we were able to have the whole mass and ceremony in the cemetery and this always means a lot to people who gather for what is a special day for many families and individuals. **Thanks is due to all who made contributions, namely the PDR Group, Choir and Organist, Eucharistic Ministers, Readers, Altar Society, Collectors, Stewards, Sacristan, Caretaker and Sound Technician.** Also a special word of thanks to those, who on the day lent a hand and contributed to the collection for the upkeep of the cemetery (details below). We also acknowledge the effort many people made to prepare their family (and other) plots for the ceremony. We ask people to continue taking care of these plots, to keep the grass cut and to dump used wreaths and other unwanted items in the Bin provided at the back entrance to the cemetery. We especially ask people not to dump items on the shrubbery at the back of the cemetery bordering West Rock.

6. **Baptisms in Parish of Magh Ene:** Take place for Bundoran on the **second Saturday** of each month and in St. Joseph's on the **fourth Saturday** of each month – both at 11.30am. Parents may choose either Church. We ask parents to consult with the Priest and make their family arrangements to suit these times as facilitating families with individual dates in both Churches is presently very difficult. When funerals/weddings occur on that day, the Baptisms will move to a slightly different time on the same date.

7. **Marriages:** Couples wishing to get married please contact Fr McManus at the above telephone number to make arrangements. It is important to remember that a minimum of three months notice must be given to both the Church and the Civil Registrar for marriages. It is also obligatory to attend a pre-marriage course. Information on 2010 pre-Marriage courses being offered by the Enniskillen branch of ACCORD is now on the notice board at the back of the Church. Couples are asked to complete their pre-marriage course at least 4 months before their wedding. Counselling information is also available, **Tel. 048 66325696.**

8. **Mass Cards:** Sympathy and Mass Bouquet Cards are available in the Sacristy and the Priest's. In all cases when a priest signs a card he is accepting the responsibility that the mass will be said for the intention stated. If for any reason he cannot fulfil the obligation himself he can give the intention and the stipend to another priest to say the mass.

9. **Ceile;** Tonight, Saturday (14th August) at 9.30pm. in the Rock Hall. Admission €8.00. Supper served.

10. **Lough Derg Pilgrimages:** The **1-day Retreats resume** on 18th August. Family Day on Saturday, 28th August; Quiet Day on Wednesday, 1st September. Further information & booking contact Tel/Fax 071 9861518 or email info@loughderg.org or visit www.loughderg.org. **It is essential to book the 1-day Retreats.**

11. Collections 7th / 8th August

Offertory Env.	Returned 111	Development Env.	Returned 92
Contents	€ 933.55	Contents	€398.57
Donations	€1788.55	Donations	
Total	€2722.10	Total	€398.57

Expected Contribution: Dues: 3% of weekly income; Offertory: 1% of weekly income

12. **Saimer Community Childcare** is currently seeking individuals for Kitchen Cover Relief Panel. If you have knowledge of H A C C P, Food Hygiene & Safety and have no objections to being Garda vetted, please call in to the office or alternatively send your CV to Saimer Community Childcare, The Rock, Ballyshannon.

13. **Service of Remembrance & Hope:** Sligo Samaritans in association with Sligo Churches Together invite all who have been touched by suicide to this special service which will begin outside Sligo County Offices at 8.00pm and continue at 8.30pm in the Model on Friday on Friday 20th August.

14. **Bluestack Special Needs Foundation** are presently looking for volunteers. If interested Tel 074 9740828

15. **25 Year School Reunion:** School Reunion for the Class of 1985 is on this Saturday 21st August at 9 pm in Dicey Reilly's. Everyone associated with the class is welcome to come along and share some memories and a few laughs from way back then! It will be an 80's themed night and finger food will be served. Please contact emcintyre@eircom.net, joanmcgrath4@gmail.com or Roisin 0861254947 for queries or to confirm attendance.