

ST. MARY'S HALL & Cinema

(Tel. 9361572)

Cinema Now Showing

THE ROCKY HORROR PICTURE SHOW (15A) 95 mins
Saturday 26th September - 8.15pm

THE GREATEST SHOWMAN (PG) 104mins
Sunday 27th September - 3pm & 8.15pm

CINEMA CLOSED 28TH - 30TH SEPTEMBER

SAVAGE (18) 99mins
Fri 2nd October - 8.15pm, Sat 3rd - 8.15pm
Sun 4th - 8.15pm, Mon 5th to Thursday 8th - 8.15pm

100% WOLF (PG) 95mins (Matinees)
Sat 4th October - 3pm, Sun 5th - 3pm.

**Please Note
Limited Availability / 45 Seats
First come first served!**

CANCELLED

A thought..... The saints did not all begin well, but they all ended well. *St John Vianney*

Porter Funeral Directors

Meenagorey Funeral home now available on request in Buncrana and Carndonagh, contact 0872926917/0860794820.

Samaritans Helpline number Call

Free phone: 116 123, Text: 087 2 60 90 90.

Donegal Hospice are offering bereavement Support, call 0894402787 for further details.

Foyle Hospice volunteers needed in their Charity shops, please contact Rachael on 04871351010 or email rachael@foylehospice.com

Study Groups meet every Monday/Tuesday evenings at 8 for round-table study of the following Sunday's readings: what they mean, backgrounds, how they complement each other. Join by Zoom or in person. Contact 087 291 3186 for details.

Vacancies SCCI Community Employment Scheme require Groundspersons for local football pitches/ Youth Club Assistants and Tidy Towns workers. Please contact David Healey on 0749361264 for details.

ALSO Vacancy Administration Post 19.5 hours per week for the Fahan area, normal CE conditions apply contact niamh@swillycep.ie

Buncrana Parish Newsletter

Priest on Call 9361253

Last week's
Collection was
€1780

Sincerest thanks.

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1st November 2020
All Saints Day

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NOVEMBER – MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS

By tradition, in November we remember and pray for the repose of the souls of our dead. A special ceremony will be streamed at 3pm this Sunday 1 November. In this month, many people undertake the spiritual exercises to obtain a Plenary Indulgence for the Faithful Departed. The Pope has released some changes to the normal practice. The Decree containing these modifications was signed on 22 October, the liturgical memorial of Pope St John Paul II.

Plenary Indulgence during month of November

Due to the coronavirus pandemic and the need to avoid large groups from forming where prohibited, the Plenary Indulgence applicable to the deceased by those who visit a cemetery has been extended beyond the normal dates of 1 to 8 November. This year, the indulgence can be obtained by anyone who visits a cemetery, even if only mentally, on any day in November, and devoutly prays for the faithful departed.

Plenary Indulgence for Feast of All Souls' Day

Regarding the Plenary Indulgence attached to All Souls' Day, Monday 2 November, this year it can be obtained not only on the preceding or succeeding Sunday, or on the actual Feast day, but on any other day of the month chosen by each member of the faithful. In this case, the indulgence is obtained by "devoutly visiting a church or an oratory", along with the recitation of the Our Father and the Creed, and the other requirements associated with a Plenary Indulgence. These conditions are Confession and Holy Communion (when these will later be available) and a prayer for the Pope's intentions. You can visit the church by logging on to churchservices.tv/cockhill or imagining yourself there.

The homebound

For anyone who cannot leave their home for various reasons, including anti-Covid restrictions, they too can obtain the Plenary Indulgence by "uniting themselves spiritually to other members of the faithful". In this case, the condition of being "completely detached from sin" and the intention of completing the other requirements for obtaining a Plenary Indulgence remain.

The Decree suggests that such prayer take place before an "image of Jesus or the Blessed Virgin Mary". Among the various prayers that are recommended are "prayers for the deceased, the Rosary, the Divine Mercy Chaplet, meditating on various Gospel passages proposed for the liturgy of the Dead, or completing a work of mercy by offering to God the suffering and discomforts of one's own life".

Invitation to Priests

As soon as it will be possible, Confessions will be made available again. Holy Communion can still be brought to those who are gravely ill or in danger of death. In addition, all priests are invited to offer three Masses on All Souls' Day.

READINGS FOR FEAST OF ALL SAINTS

1st Reading: ‘Apocalypse’ means ‘Revelation’. One day - no one knows when - those who have been through 'the great persecution' and have remained faithful, those who have washed their robes white again in the blood of the Lamb,” meaning baptism and the other sacraments, these will one day enjoy a great cosmic victory celebration with 'the Lamb'. Every Mass participates in this great act of thanksgiving.

2nd Reading: Jesus's gift is to offer us the chance to one day stand before God with confidence and joy, as members of his Divine Family. “Surely everyone who entertains this hope must purify themselves, as Jesus is pure.”

Comment: These 8 'beatitudes' are the beginning of the great 'Sermon on the Mount', chapters 5, 6 and 7. Jesus, genius of the human heart that he is, sits down on a hill-side and in the gentlest possible manner describes his 'kingdom' and offers membership in the first place to 'the poor in spirit', i.e., the poor, the wretched, the powerless, 'little ones' of this world, who are usually more open and receptive to the Gospel than 'great ones'. And he goes on to offer the Kingdom and beatitude (described symbolically in today's first reading) to all those who hunger after peace, justice, truth, holiness or who suffer persecution for the Gospel, even on to death.

Anniversary Masses

St. Mary's Cockhill

**Mon 2nd November
Mass 10am & 7pm**

Feast for All Souls

Tues 3rd at 10am

Special Intention

Wed 4th at 7pm

Thanksgiving Mass

Thurs 5th at 10am

Ann McLaughlin, (20th A)

Fri 6th at 10am

Special Intention

Fri 6th at 7pm

Special Intention

Sat 7th at 7pm

Jim Doherty,

Alice Brennan & Bridie McGee

Due to Stage 4 restrictions there will be no congregation at any of the Masses. Masses can be viewed at churchservices.tv/cockhill

CEREMONY FOR THE DECEASED

Today, November 1st on the Feast of All Saints, we will be holding a Ceremony for our Dead, commencing the month of the Holy Souls.

This will take place at 3pm and will be broadcast on churchservices.tv/cockhill.

STAGE FOUR RESTRICTIONS

In line with Government guidelines, there will be no public Mass until further notice.

Masses can be viewed at the normal weekday and weekend times on churchservices.tv/cockhill. Any Mass intentions or anniversary Masses arranged will still be offered at the date and time booked.

Please Note: the Parish Office is closed to the public. We are working behind closed doors so please phone or email and we will gladly assist you.

BUNCRANA CHURCHES TOGETHER

We are once again hosting Alpha, only this time it's online!

We will meet via Zoom on Tuesday evenings from 3rd Nov - 8th Dec 2020, and resume after Christmas (date to be confirmed). The meetings will begin at 7:30pm and last one hour. Anyone over 18 who is interested in exploring the deeper questions of life and faith is welcome to join with us. Please email alphabunrana@gmail.com for registration.

COVID-19 CONFIDENTIAL HELPLINE

Tel 0830107089, providing support to families within Inishowen who are experiencing difficulties due to the *Pandemic*, promoting inclusion & equality. Going LIVE Monday's Wed & Fri from 10am - 1.00pm.

NOVEMBER

SHORT BOOKLET FOR FAMILIES

has been created to highlight the month of November as a time to remember and pray for our dearly departed. It marks out the feast days, provides a family prayer service, instructions to prepare a sacred space in the home and some prayers for November. See: <https://www.derrydiocese.org/news/november-prayer-service-for-use-at-home>

DIOCESAN MASS FOR DECEASED CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE

The Annual Mass for deceased children and young people will be celebrated in St Eugene's Cathedral, Derry, on Sunday 8 November, at 7.00pm. You can join this Mass live on the St Eugene's Cathedral webcam. If you would like to have a child or young person remembered at this Mass, please email the name to lizzie.rea@derrydiocese.org

ROSARY FOR PRIESTS

Please come and join us in our Rosary to pray for Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious life. Three Rosaries are prayed each Tuesday between 1pm & 2pm in St Mary's Oratory. Everyone Welcome.

FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK

Mon 2nd November: All Souls

Tues 3rd November: St Malachy, bishop

Wed 4th November: St Charles Borromeo, bishop

Thur 5th November: St Martin de Porres, religious

Fri 6th November: All Saints of Ireland

DEATHS

Your Prayers are asked for **Eileen Coyle**
Mary Carey
Mary (Maeve) McLaughlin who died recently and for their families & friends saddened by their loss.

SAFEGUARDING NOTICE

If you have a concern about safeguarding in this parish, please contact Noel O'Donnell on 048 71362475 or 00447596500793.

COCKHILL CHAPEL ORGAN FUND

Sincerest thanks & gratitude to all those who have donated to the Organ Fund. Your generosity and kindness is deeply appreciated, this week we received €500.

Father Bradley