

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 Availa-
bility / 45 Seats
First come first
served!**

CANCELLED

A thought..... Wouldn't it be so great if we could put ourselves in the dryer for 10 minutes and come out wrinkle-free...and three sizes smaller!

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.

The Net: The September edition of The Net is now available online, on www.derrydiocese.org. As always, it features a wide variety of news, interesting interviews, articles and photos from parishes across the diocese. There is a 'Remembering Bishop Lagan' feature and a 'Remembering John Hume' article in the September issue. You are invited to read The Net, on the diocesan website, at your convenience.

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.

Donegal Hearing - next clinic will be Friday 2nd October 9am-2pm by appointment only. Please phone 074 9385758 to book and could I ask that everyone wears a mask before entering the practice. Address: Castle clinic, Malin Road, Moville

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

Buncrana Parish Newsletter

Priest on Call 9361253

Last week's
Collection totalled
€4,150
Sincerest thanks.

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27th September 2020
Twenty-Sixth Sunday in
Ordinary Time

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TRUE TO OUR WORD

I know a man who thinks that he fools people easily, especially his supervisor at work. Whenever he is asked to do a task, he says 'Yes' immediately but quickly ignores the request. He tries to be popular by creating the impression that he is obliging and dedicated. In reality, however, he has no commitment to work.

Our word matters greatly in our relationships, whether in our family or at work or among our friends or with God. When we do not have our word, then we have nothing because we cannot be trusted with even the smallest responsibility. We become unreliable, like the second son in the gospel parable we hear today.

The parable teaches us that it was the first son, who initially said 'No' but then thought better of it, who actually did what the father requested. That son had undergone conversion. He had the honesty and the humility to realise his mistake and to change his decision. He became reliable.

This parable challenges us to do God's will in action and not only to concur with it verbally. This requires that, like the first son, we are continually open to the possibility of conversion in our lives and that we are honest and humble enough to change our decisions when we recognise that they are wrong decisions, especially in matters relating to our salvation and the salvation of others.

Are we people of our word? How do we speak to our loved ones, to our friends, to our colleagues at work, to God? In what ways does our sincerity manifest itself? It would be good to be people of our word. Let us decide to be honest and humble enough to undergo conversion every day and to change our wrong decisions.

John Litterton, Journeying through the Year of Matthew

COCKHILL CHAPEL ORGAN FUND

Thanks to all those who have donated to the Organ Fund so far. Your generosity and kindness is deeply appreciated, this week we received €50, €100 & £300.

Father Bradley

STAGE THREE 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. See website and Facebook pages for the full statement.

READINGS FOR 26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Ezekiel wrote during the first stage of the Babylonian exile warning his people of the consequences of their infidelity to God. He used language and images that are shocking even today (C/f chapters 5,ff). In this passage he calls Israel back to true religion and proclaims that the Lord's approach to repentant sinners is gracious.

Second Reading: Paul urges his dear convert friends at Philippi to emulate the humility of Christ. Today's poem is about the "kenosis" of Christ, i.e., his emptying of himself of divinity to become human ending on a cross between two thieves. There is no mixing of Jesus' two natures. Although divine and always enjoying the Beatific Vision he experienced everything as we do except sin. "But God raised him high."

Gospel: In today's parable Jesus warned the priests and elders of the people that God's will was that an entire sinful world would embrace salvation. Yet while notorious well-known sinners were believing, repenting and entering the kingdom, 'respectable' figures like themselves were ignoring the call, preferring to remain outside.

Anniversary Masses

St. Mary's Cockhill

Mon 28th Hugh McGonagle (1stA)

Fri 2nd Anna Irwin

Sat 3rd Bernard Burns Jnr

St Mary's Oratory

Tues 29th Maggie McHugh

Thurs 1st John F O'Doherty

Fri 2nd Danny Doherty

Sat 3rd Henry McGee

Star Of The Sea Desertegney

Wed 30th The McLaughlin Family

Sun 4th Mass at 10am

Weekend Mass Times

St Mary's Church Cockhill

Saturday Vigil at 7pm

Sunday at 9am & 11am

St Mary's Oratory Buncrana

Saturday Vigil at 7pm

Sunday at 9am & 11am

Star of the Sea Desertegney

Sunday at 10am

FACE COVERINGS

The use of face coverings is recommended and encouraged at all Masses and Liturgies in our Chapels, other than for those who are exempted from the wearing of face coverings even in situations where it would otherwise be mandatory.

PARISH OFFICE RENOVATIONS

The Parish Office has temporarily moved to St Teresa's Room in order to facilitate renovations. Mass tickets and other office business will be available from there at the usual hours.

The Safeguarding Office will also be located in St Teresa's Room during the course of the work.

We apologise for any inconvenience caused during this time.

CONFIRMATION PHOTOGRAPHS

The Confirmation photographs will be available to purchase from **St Mary's Hall, Buncrana on Monday 28th from 1pm - 3pm, & from the Fowler Hall, Tooban on Tuesday 29th September from 1pm - 3pm** at a cost of €15 for 3 large individual photos, please bring correct change with you.

FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK

29th Sept: Ss Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, Archangels

30th Sept: St Jerome, priest and doctor of the Church

1st Oct: St Thérèse of the Child Jesus

2nd Oct: The Guardian Angels

3rd Oct: Bl. Columba Marmion, priest

MISSION SPIRITUALITY TODAY

To mark Mission Month in October, a series of online discussions and reflections on Mission Spirituality Today focusing on social justice and the environment will take place on Thursday 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd and 29th October at 7:30pm via Zoom. All welcome to join in the discussion.

To register to take part please email buncranafaith@gmail.com

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 at the Grotto.

Everyone Welcome.

BAPTISMS

We welcome into God's family the following children who were baptised over the last weekend:

**Olivia Ellen Carlin Bradley
Alfie McGlinchey**

May God Guide & Protect our Children always.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will take place in St Mary's Oratory as follows: 9am - 9pm (Mon & Wed), 11am - 9pm (Tues, Thurs & Fri) 9am - 6.45pm (Sat) 12 noon - 7pm (Sun)

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 Wednesdays & Fridays from 10am - 1.00pm.

SAFEGUARDING NOTICE

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