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Daily Mass
Monday, 7.30 pm; **Tuesday & Wednesday** 10 am
[Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament after 10am Mass until 2pm]; **Thursday** 7.30pm; **Friday**, 10 am.
No Mass Saturday morning.
Saturday Vigil 8 pm
Sunday 10 am.

Weekly Offering €990
Trocaire €1,830

Envelopes can be left in McGuinness' shop.

Anniversary Mass this Weekend
Sunday 10 am John Doherty, Ballyharry
Next weekend
Sunday 10 am Willie Joe Ruddy

First Reading
Acts of the Apostles 2:42-47
The first community of Christians grows as its members meet to pray and break bread.
Second Reading
1 Peter 1:3-9
We have new hope because of Jesus' Resurrection.
Gospel Reading
John 20:19-31
Thomas believes because he sees Jesus.

VOCATIONS
On this Divine Mercy Sunday we pray for our seminarians and the future priests of the diocese as we hear Jesus sending the disciples out in the power of His Holy Spirit to preach a message of forgiveness of sins and the Good News of the Resurrection of Jesus from the dead.

Derry Diocesan Youth Pilgrimage to Fatima We are inviting young people aged 16+ to join us on pilgrimage to Fatima for 5 nights from 3rd to 8th August. This will be a unique experience for young people and an opportunity to engage with their peers from around the world in a faith context. Cost is £820 and there will be a budget plan to help with this. Names and deposit of £100 are required as soon as possible to secure a place. For more information or to book in please contact bethany.doherty@derrydiocese.org 00 44 2871264087

The Sacrament of Confirmation will be administered by Bishop McKeown next Saturday afternoon at 3pm.

Sympathy
It was with sadness that we learned of the death of **Patricia Cronin [nee McGrenaghan] Connolly Homes, Malin.** We offer our deepest sympathy to her daughters Joan & Ciara; son-in-law Kieran Grandchildren Ross, Clara and Jolene; her sisters and brothers; nephews and nieces and the wider family circle. May the Risen Christ welcome her to her eternal reward and comfort all those who mourn her passing.

ST COLUMBA'S CHURCH, LONG TOWER, DERRY: Annual Sr Clare Retreat, Monday 13 - Sunday 19 April:
"I prefer Paradise" - Remembering Sr Clare's 10th Anniversary
Pardon and Peace: Reflecting on the Gift of Reconciliation
Blessed are they who dwell in your house, O Lord' (Psalm 84)
Monday 13th April - Friday 17th April:
Daily Mass - 7am & 10am

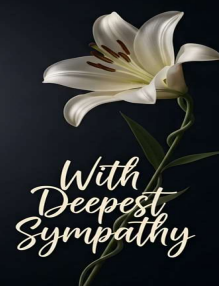
Greencastle Centre - Female Self-Defence Course 4 weeks starting Monday 13th April 8pm – 9pm €20.
- Leona's Sewing Club back on Wednesday 15th April 7pm 6 weeks €30 Tel: +44 7752 682086
- Baby & Toddler group every Thursday 10am – 12pm.

Carrowmenagh Community Centre Tel 074 93 67061
Donations are now welcomed for our *Good as New Shop*, opening on **Monday, 20th April** in the former Hannons Chemist premises. Donations can be dropped off in advance at the **Carrowmenagh Centre F93 EY77**, Monday to Friday, from **9.30am to 4.00pm**. Please note that we are unable to accept books or electrical items.
Places are also available on a range of courses and workshops, including Intermediate Sewing, Embroidery, Lino Printing, Crochet, Paverpol and Butterfly Crafting. For further information or to book a place, please contact the Centre.

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We offer a huge thank you to the ladies committee who staged the Tea/Cake Sale on Good Friday. It was a great success. Especially, we thank all the bakers for the magnificent cakes and buns; the ladies who made the tea and in particular, all of you who attended and supported the cause. It raised in excess of €1,400 for Parish Funds.



The Deep End: Seeing is Believing *Triona Doherty*

'I'll believe that when I see it' is a common reaction to any sort of positive suggestion these days. It was the default response to the promises made by all the candidates in the run-up to our general election earlier this year. Reform our health system? Reduce the dole queues? Cut politicians' expenses and pensions? We'll believe it when we see it! We don't take anyone's word for it anymore.

Thomas certainly wasn't willing to take the word of the other disciples when they said they had seen Jesus. He was understandably sceptical, as one tends to be when everything they had placed their hope in has been swept away. Unless he can see and touch his wounds, he will not believe that Jesus has made good on his promises to return. 'Unless I see...I refuse to believe,' states our doubting Thomas. I'll believe it when I see it.

We know what it's like to have lost faith. Like Thomas, our trust has been shaken; like the disciples huddled in the room, we are in fear. We have lost faith in our political system, and many of us have also lost faith in our church. We are all at sea, afraid of what the future will bring.

Jesus greets his disciples with the simple blessing: 'Peace be with you'. In their fear and despair, he came and stood among them. May our troubled hearts know the peace and joy of encountering the risen Christ.

Sli WorkAbility is an initiative of Spraoi agus Spórt. Inclusive Pathways to Employment Programme Spring/Summer TRAINING TIMETABLE 2026 Sli WorkAbility is a supportive, inclusive programme for people aged 16 and over with additional needs or disabilities that provides training & guidance opportunities to help participants to learn, grow, and prepare for meaningful work. For more information and to enrol for a programme or book a drop-in, please contact sli@spraoiagusport.ie or call 0858601834 Ready to build a CV that helps you take the next step towards a job? Join CV with Sli – a supportive programme designed to help you create a clear, professional CV and feel more confident applying for jobs. Sli Building, Bridgetown, Camdonagh, F93 E7TW Ready to take the next step towards a job but not sure where to start? Join Achieve with Sli – a flexible drop-in support service where you can get help with anything related to employment or education.

Anam Cara the organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding a Bereavement Information Evening for all bereaved parents in Ulster on Tuesday 21st April 2026 at 7:00pm in the Crowne Plaza Hotel, Belfast. This is a free event and open to all bereaved parents but registration is required using this link [Click here to register for Bereavement Information Evening](#) or by scanning the QR code in the attached flyer.

Whist - 1st John McLaughlin; 2nd Rose Thompson; 3rd John Doherty & Fr Jim;
Tickets – John Doherty, Fr Jim, Charlie Doherty, Mary b McLaughlin, Paul McElhinney, Pauric McLaughlin, Carmel McLaughlin.
Other Winners – Eileen Gormley, Ros Thompson, Eamon Donaghy, Margaret McGilloway.