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Queen's University Catholic Chaplaincy reopens for the new academic year on **Mon 14 Sep**, with weekday Masses and our semester programme resuming. The first Sunday Mass will be celebrated on **20 Sep at 7.00pm. Please note the new time!**

Find out about what's on, ways to connect and get involved, at qubcatholic.org and on our socials. Visit our newly renewed Chaplaincy at 28 Elmwood Ave for Mass, Confessions — and call into Mosaic for coffee, hot lunches and home-baked treats!

Michael English Church Concert: An evening of Faith, Hope and Inspiration on Fri 2 Oct at 7.15pm, in St Patrick's Church, Desertmartin. Tickets are £30, and available to buy at Herons Gift Shop, Draperstown, Moneyneena Post Office, Ballinascreen and Desertmartin Parish offices, or online with Eventbrite: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/michael-english-band-fundraising-concert-tickets-1996641829460>.

Bellaghy Sunflower Maze, Mullaghboy Road—Proceeds to Marie Curie.

St Ergnat's GAC— Lotto No's: 3, 5, 6, 22. £30 each to Wishy Hindman & Michelle Hamill. **Jackpot £5,000.00.**

St Malachy's GAC— Lotto No's: 13, 14, 20, 24. £25 each to Fiadh Gallagher & Conor Taggart. **Jackpot £2,100.00**

Bingo makes a welcome return on Thursday 17th September at 8.30pm, every 2 weeks **in the Marian Hall, Kilrea.**

Safeguarding Notice

If you have any concerns with regard to the Safeguarding of children within the Church please contact Marie O'Kane, the Diocesan Designated Liaison Person (DLP) on +447596500793 or email: dlp@derrydiocese.org

Northern Ireland emergency services: PSNI (Police Service of Northern Ireland) 101
Social Services: Gateway Services, Western HSC Trust, 028 7131 4090
Gateway Services, Northern HSC Trust 028 9442 4459
Regional Emergency Social Work Services 0800 1979 995

St Mary's, Bellaghy / St Joseph's, Ballyscullion. 13 September 2026 Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time.

Next weekend, as we prepare to welcome Bishop Michael Router among us, we will pray God's blessing on him in a particular way at each of our weekend Masses.



Once again we wish Bishop Dónal McKeown a very happy and fruitful retirement. No doubt he will remain very active as he offers his services to Bishop Router, and to the priests and people of the diocese in whatever ways he can.

Our new bishop was a priest of the diocese of Kilmore and, for the last seven years, has served as Auxiliary Bishop in Armagh. He comes among us as a stranger, yes, but also as a pastor. He asks us all to be patient as he gets to know us and as we get to know him.

We pray that his time among us in this diocese of Derry will see a great renewal of faith as we "walk together" (the meaning of Synodality) in the footsteps of all the faithful bishops, priests, religious, and people who have gone before us.

Please pray for Bishop Michael Router as he prepares to begin his pastoral ministry among us. The Mass of Installation will take place in St Eugene's Cathedral, Derry, next Sunday, at 3pm. Each parish is asked to send five members to the ceremony. Invitations for parishioners from both Bellaghy and Greenlough can be collected from the parish office at Bellaghy.

In today's gospel Jesus teaches a powerful lesson on forgiveness. We pray for the men called to priesthood that, as they celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation with their people, they will help them to know and experience the Lord who "...is compassion and love, slow to anger, and rich in mercy." (Responsorial Psalm).



Anniversaries:

Sat/Sun 12/13: Bridget Murphy (Month's Mind at 11am), Hugh Scullion (Anniversary Mass at 11am), Maria Kearney (Anniversary Mass on Wed 16 Sep at 9.30am), Michael McCloskey, Willy McErlean, Markie Higgins, Mona McGlinchey, Oliver McElhone, Margaret McMullan, Carrie Bradley, Michael Mulholland, Joseph McLane, John & Sally McCorry, Peter O'Connor, Martha Smith, Jim Brown, Margaret McKenna.

Sat/Sun 19/20: Rois Gribbin (Anniversary Mass at 11am), Robert Cassidy, John McTaggart, Mary O'Neill (Birt).

May they rest in peace.

Anyone interested in promoting Eucharistic Adoration in the parishes of Bellaghy and Greenlough is invited to attend a meeting in the Drummond Hotel, Ballykelly, BT49 9HP, on Wednesday 30 September, from 8-9pm (Registration will take place from 7:30pm).

Both Bishop McKeown and Bishop Router are happy to promote Eucharistic Adoration throughout the diocese as a means of bringing people to Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament, to foster vocations, and to encourage prayer for vocations. We are already blessed to have weekly Adoration in our parishes - in Greenlough on Thursdays, and in Bellaghy on Fridays. Now, perhaps, would be a good time to invite and encourage more people to pray before Jesus in the Eucharist which He has left us as "...the source and the summit of our faith." (Second Vatican Council).

The Columban Young Adults are a new group for those aged 18 - 30 in the diocese, who are seeking a community of like-minded young adults who have Christ at the centre of their lives.

Our September event will be a Holy Hour and meditation on Thursday 17 September, 7:00pm at our Lady of Lourdes Church, Steelstown, Derry, delivered by Fr Declan McGeehan. The meditation will be followed by Solemn Benediction and light refreshments.

We are actively seeking new members- please come along and bring a friend!

St. Mary's, Bellaghy:

Wed 16, 9.30am

Adoration, Friday, 10am—8pm (Rosary, 7.30pm)

Sat, 5.30pm (Streamed from Greenlough)

Sun 20, 11am (Streamed to Greenlough)

Mass to celebrate opening of School Year for St Mary's PS Bellaghy.

St. Oliver Plunkett, Clady:

Tues 15, 9.30am (Rosary: 7.30pm)

Thurs 17, 9am

Adoration, Thursday, 9.30am—5pm.

Sat, Vigil, 5.30pm (Streamed to Bellaghy)

Sun, 11am (Streamed from Bellaghy)

St. Joseph's, Ballyscullion: Sun, 9.45am.



Legion Of Mary: Wednesday at 6.15pm in the Prayer Room of St Mary's Church. All are welcome.



Baptism Dates— September to December 2026.

Bellaghy at 1pm

26 September, 10 October, 7 November, 5 December.



Greenlough at 4.15pm

24 October, 28 November, 19 December.

Last week's Collection: £1,930.00 Thank you.

The Retired Priest's Collection will be taken up at the Masses next weekend, please use the envelope provided.

