

**BURT GAA** No winner of the Jackpot this week folks Numbers drawn were 6-18-21-24-28 Weekly winner Raymond Bonner Derry €60 Jackpot next week €11,800

**CHRISTMAS TREE APPEAL COMMITTEE** sincerely thank each & everyone of you who rallied to our plea for funds for the Burt Tree. The response was rapid & generous from the community from within & outside the parish & from our local business people. Amount raised €945 & £130.

**THE BURT INCH AND FAHAN CALENDAR** Anyone still needing a Burt Inch and Fahan calendar can contact Malachy Harrigan or Kathleen Grant.

**BURT CEMETERY** Please do not discard used flowers in the Cemetery, please take them home.

**TINY TICKERS** A fundraising night in aid of Tiny Tickers (a charity that helps babies born with a heart defect) is being held in the Frontier Hotel, Bridgend on Fri 11th Feb. Please see Burt Residents and local media for more details.

**COUNSELLING** A professional confidential counselling service is available for couples or individuals through ACCORD at the Pastoral Centre, Carndonagh. Phone 074 9374103 or email [accordinishowen@gmail.com](mailto:accordinishowen@gmail.com)

**ST AENGUS'S N.S.** Enrolments are now being taken for the school year 22/23. If you wish to enrol your child for Sept '22, please contact the school 074 93 68352 or [www.staengusbridgend.com](http://www.staengusbridgend.com)

**ST MURA'S N.S.-** Enrolments are now being taken for the school year 22-23. To enrol your child for Sept 22, please contact the school, 074 9360325. Enrolment forms should be returned by Wednesday Feb 23<sup>rd</sup> so that numbers can be determined.

**A THOUGHT...** Doing nothing is very hard to do - you never know when you are finished. - *Leslie Nielsen*

**NowDoc** Phone Number: 0818 400911. Have your Eircode handy!

**SAMARITANS HELPLINE NUMBER** Call Free phone: 116 123, Text: 087 2 60 9090.

**DONEGAL HOSPICE** are offering bereavement support, call 0894402787 for further details.

**SWILLY CEP** have a number of vacancies – 3 general operators for the Fahan area, 2 Befrienders for the Alone office in Buncrana & 1 Administrator for the IDP office in Buncrana. Contact Niamh on 0861018944 or Mickey on 0863267443

**VOLUNTEER FOR ALONE** Would you be willing to provide companionship to an older person for 1 hour a week? ALONE are seeking volunteers in your area. Full training & support provided. For info, contact Catherine on [catherine.gallagher@alone.ie](mailto:catherine.gallagher@alone.ie) or on 086 0753868.

**HOME INSTEAD DONEGAL** are looking to recruit 100 New Community Home Help Care Givers all over Donegal in '22. We have exciting new opportunities for compassionate people who are available for Part time/ Full time or flexible employment. We provide the training for free, to start your career within the Homecare Sector, competitive pay rates & more exciting perks being announced in the next few weeks. Contact Deirdre on 074 91 13050 to explore these amazing new job opportunities & to see if this is the job for you!

**DONEGAL HEARING CLINIC** at Castle clinic is Thurs 3rd Feb 9.30-3pm by appointment only. Now offering wax removal by micro-suction anyone wanting this done book via the practice & put some oil in the ears 5-6 days beforehand. Phone 93 85758

# Fahan Parish Newsletter

## Burt, Inch & Fahan

Weekly Collection

€1448

*Sincere Thanks*

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[www.fahanparish.com](http://www.fahanparish.com)

**30th January 2022**

**Fourth Sunday In Ordinary Time**

**Fr Bradley PP 9363455**

**Fr Diggin 9368155**

**Fr Mulhern 9360151**

**Parish Office 9360151**

(Mon-9.30am-2.30pm)

(Tues-Thurs 10am-12:30pm)

**SAINT BRIGID** Tuesday, 1 February 2021, is the Feast of Saint Brigid, Abbess and Secondary Patron of Ireland. Saint Brigid is renowned for her hospitality, almsgiving and care of the sick. Saint Brigid was born in 454 and she went on to found a double monastery in Kildare with the assistance of Bishop Conleth. The Saint Brigid's Cross, in legend used by Brigid to explain the Christian faith, remains a popular sign of God's protection.

**A Blessing of the Crosses will take place during 10am Mass on Tuesday, 1st February in St Aengus' Church Burt**

**THE PRESENTATION OF OUR LORD (CANDLEMAS DAY)** on Wednesday February 2nd the Church commemorates the occasion when the Virgin Mary, in obedience to Jewish law, went to the Temple in Jerusalem both to be purified 40 days after the birth of her son, Jesus, and to present him to God as her firstborn (Luke 2:22-38). The festival was formerly known in the Roman Catholic Church as the Purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary and is now known as the Presentation of the Lord.

**A blessing of the Candles will take place during 10am Mass on Wednesday, 2nd February in St Aengus' Church Burt and Candles will also be blessed in the St Mura's Church Fahan during 10am Mass on Friday, 4th February.**

**ST BLAISE** The Feast of St Blaise is in on Thursday February 3. Not much is known about St Blaise except that he is the patron saint of sore throats and wild animals. More is known about devotion to him rather than his life itself. On his feast day, the anointing of the sick takes place. Traditionally two candles are blessed, crossed over and pressed against either side of one's throat as a blessing is said. St Blaise was a physician who eventually was ordained a bishop in the 4th Century and he worked hard to encourage the spiritual and physical health of his followers. His protection of those with throat ailments comes from a story of a woman whose son had a fish bone lodged in his throat. The woman brought her son to St Blaise who instantly healed him just as the boy was on the point of death.

**A general blessing of throats will take place during 10am Mass on Thursday, 3rd February in St Aengus' Church Burt. Please take your own candles for the blessing.**

### **SAFEGUARDING NOTICE:**

If you have any concerns with regards to Safeguarding Children or adults in need of protection within the Church please contact Marie Gormley, the Diocesan Designated Liaison Person (DLP) at 0044

7596500793, or at the Safeguarding Office,

Diocesan Pastoral centre, 164 Bishop Street BT48 6UJ 048 71362475 or

**Garda Síochána**, Buncrana 074 9320540 Letterkenny HQ 074 9123672 or

**TUSLA Family & Child Agency** Buncrana 074 9320420 or Letterkenny 074 9123672

### A GENTLE REMINDER THAT THE PARISH NEEDS YOUR SUPPORT

In order to allow people to contribute to the parish, a Collection Box has now been secured in *St Mura's Church, Fahan*. We have also placed collection boxes in a number of commercial premises around the parish at the following locations:

*Post Office, Bridgend; Post Office, Speenogue; Callaghan's Filling Station, Burt Tourish's Spar Shop, Burnfoot; Bradley's Filling Station, Fahan*

Please help the parish at this time by putting your weekly collection envelopes and donations in the boxes provided. Please ask the staff for assistance.

You are also welcome to leave your envelopes/donations into the Parish Office at Fahan Parochial House 10.00am-12.30pm Mon-Thurs.

The parish really needs your financial support at this time.

We are very thankful to the various premises for accommodating us in this way at this time. *Father Bradley*

### READINGS FOR FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**First Reading:** Jeremiah was sent by God in 626 BC to warn against decadence and alliances with pagan nations. But his passionate warnings were rejected and he lived through the burning of the Temple and two separate deportations of the Jews to Babylon. In today's Gospel Jesus too refuses 'to dance to his listeners' tune'. He is violently rejected by his townspeople, with whom he had grown up.

**Second Reading** The love Paul describes here is the love Jesus spoke of when he summarised the 10 Commandments into two, love of God and love of neighbour, opposite sides of the one coin. Jesus in himself completes the Blessed Trinity's millennia –long self-revelation of themselves as essentially self-sacrificing love. This is the theme tune of Christ's Kingdom and the core undertaking to which our Baptism commits us.

**Gospel** The Nazarenes had entertained a cosy expectation that Jesus would perform even greater miracles for his own neighbours than he had done in Capernaum. But Jesus knew what was in their hearts and how far those hearts were from his Kingdom. How little the reading from Isaiah that had just been read meant to them is shown in the rage that attended upon his refusal to perform for them. The event foreshadows Good Friday.

## MASS SCHEDULE

St. Aengus' Burt  
(churchservices.tv/burt)

**Saturday 29th Jan**  
Helen Brogan MM

**Monday 31st Jan Mass at 10am**

**Tuesday 1st Feb Mass at 10am**

**Wednesday 2nd Feb Mass at 10am**

**Thursday 3rd Feb Mass at 10am**

**Weekend Mass Times**

**Saturday 5th Feb Mass at 6pm**  
Leo Whoriskey

**Sunday 6th Feb Mass at 11.15am**

St Mura's Church, Fahan  
(churchservices.tv/fahan)

**Saturday 30th Jan**  
Eddie Hone (5th Anniversary)

**Friday 4th Feb Mass at 10am**

**Saturday 5th Feb Mass at 7pm**  
Rose Grant (MM)

**Sunday 6th Feb Mass at 11am**  
Paddy Canning (1st Anniversary)  
Pat Walker (20th Anniversary)

**Chapel of Ease, Fahan**  
**Sunday 6th Feb Mass at 9am**  
**Our Lady of Lourdes, Inch**  
**Sunday 6th Feb Mass at 10am**

### DEATHS

Your prayers are asked for

**Ann Scanlon, Letterkenny (formerly Newtowncunningham)**

who died recently and for her family and friends saddened by their loss.

**MEDJUGORJE IRISH CENTRE PILGRIMAGES APRIL– OCT 2022** 7 Nights Apartment B&B & return Airport transfer from Dubrovnik or Split from €315 per person sharing. Guaranteed Airport transfer price for any flight. Contact us for details & book the dates that suit you. Tel. 01 4434510 or email [reservations@med-irishcentre.com](mailto:reservations@med-irishcentre.com)

**ADORATION IN ST MURA'S PARISH CHURCH** will take place each Friday after the 10am Mass. "Can you not come and watch one hour with ME". All Welcome!

**COMPASSIONATE CULTURAL NETWORK ART WORKSHOPS** Every Wed 12.30pm - 3pm at St Mary's Hall, Buncrana. A new arts programme by Irish Hospice Foundation, funded by Creative Ireland, where people can explore "loss" creatively. Participants will be assisted to develop memory books & try out a variety of art processes. Pop in at any time or attend on a weekly basis.

**DERRY DIOCESAN SOCIETY** Anyone wishing to have their deceased loved ones enrolled, please leave your details at Fahan Parochial House. The cost is €25

**PREPARING FOR MARRIAGE?** Catholic Engaged Encounter -A Marriage Preparation course is planned for 9/10 April '22 in The Drummond Hotel, Ballykelly, Co. Derry. This 2-day course is a positive way of preparing for Marriage . Info / Booking: [marriageencounter.ie](http://marriageencounter.ie) or 048276 38512

**BAPTISMS**-Take place on Sunday after 11am Mass in the Parish Church. Please ring 07493 60151 to book a date.

**THE NET** The January '22 edition of *'The Net'* is now available online [www.derrydiocese.org](http://www.derrydiocese.org)

**MUSIC FOR MASS** – WHY sing, WHAT to sing, WHEN to sing, SING! Date & Time: Sat 26 Feb 22, 11am-3pm (Registration at 10.30am, Workshop 11.00am sharp break 1pm–1.30pm, with light refreshments served, finishing by 3pm) Venue: Waterfoot Hotel, Clooney Road, Derry, BT47 6TB Hosted by: Rev Brendan Dowd

**STUDY THEOLOGY ONLINE**-The Priory Institute provides online Theology courses to degree level. Attend Saturday lectures in Tallaght or from the comfort of your own home. Register before 8 Feb for Spring '22. Find out more on [www.prioryinstitute.com](http://www.prioryinstitute.com)

**SHARING THE GOOD NEWS** The January '22 issue is now available online at [www.catholicnews.ie](http://www.catholicnews.ie)

### PRIVACY NOTICE:

The Diocese of Derry complies with GDPR regulations. A Privacy Notice is available on the Parish Website or by contacting The Parish Office. Live stream and recordings of Mass and Services in St Mura's Church and St Aengus' are available online. Parishioners should note that the first two rows of seats are visible online for both Churches.