#### Samaritans Helpline number

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

## **Donegal Hospice**

are offering bereavement support, call 0894402787 for further details

Burt GAA No winner of jackpot this week numbers drawn were 16-24-25-26-28, Our weekly winners were John Harkin - Bridgend €30, Ciara Cronin - Inch €30 (Online Winner). Jackpot next week €7,600. The Burt GAA club is currently organizing a big draw. First draw commences May 25th and will be live. Have you got your ticket yet for the 300 club draw yet? Once they're gone, they're gone! €1000, €500, €250 & €250 to be won each month. Tickets €140 or €20 per month for 8 months. Contact any club member.

**Recycling:** Bring your read newspapers for recycling to Grant's of Burt. Please note NO glossy paper (magazines) at present. Please remember to bring all boxes and plastic bags home with you from the bottle bank at Moness, Burt. Thank you

## **Vacancies**

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

#### **NowDoc**

Phone Number: 1850400911. Have your Eircode handy!

# St Aengus' National School

Enrolments are now being taken for the school year 2020-2021. If you wish to enrol your child for September, please contact the school 074 93 68352 or www.staengusbridgend.com

#### Gaelscoil Bhun Cranncha

Tá iontráil oscailte anois fá choinne 2021-2022. Tuilleadh eolais ar fáil le fáilte - Enrolment for Junior Infants 2021 is now open at Gaelscoil Bhun Cranncha.

For further info please call us on 074 93 61988 or

email gsbc1999@gmail.com. We're looking forward to hearing from you as you explore school options for your child. Irish classes via Zoom will be offered to interested parents on enrolment.

# **Safeguarding Notice**

If you have a concern about safeguarding in this parish, please contact 048 71362475 or 00447596500793.

# The Great Marriage Book of Inishowen

Available at Mac's Bookshop, Buncrana & Callaghan's, Burt.

215 pages worth of marriage details for the entire Inishowen peninsula during the great Famine and after. How marriages were celebrated then: the horseride from the church to the home; the good luck charms; the drinking of the mead; the scattering of coins; the dowry; 'walking the land' of the future bridegroom, etc. Also available by post from www.seoirse.com

# Fahan Parish Newsletter

**Burt, Inch & Fahan** 

Weekly Collection was €1,696. Trócaire Collection was €1,055 Sincere Thanks <u>fahanparish@derrydiocese.org</u> www.fahanparish.com Webcam: churchservices.tv/burt

11th April 2021 Second Sunday of Easter Divine Mercy Sunday Fr Bradley PP 9363455 Fr Diggin 9368155 Fr Mulhern 9360151 Parish Office 9360151

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

#### DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

Today the Church marks the moment when Jesus entered the Upper Room eight days after his resurrection. He enters a room of fearful disciples and consoles them, giving them hope. With lock-down and restricted living these past few months, we know something of how these disciples felt. But our faith invites us to welcome the Risen Christ into our lives again so that he can console and encourage us.

Today we are asked to welcome him as Divine Mercy. We all stand in great need of this great gift – nothing else can better console us and encourage us than Divine Mercy. As the inscription on the image of Divine Mercy says, "Jesus, I trust in you." This is all we need say, over and over again. Mercy takes time to work on our minds, hearts and souls. Like the healing it brings, it works slowly but effectively. It heals old wounds, it calms old storms, it touches deep sores within us and makes us better people, healthier in every way.

We need to feel Christ's presence with us every moment. To help us discover his presence, today (Sunday) at 3pm, the Divine Mercy Devotions will be streamed from Cockhill Chapel. Please take a few moments to join us there. As Christ said to Thomas, "Doubt no longer but believe."

#### **THANKS**

We want to thank everyone for their kindness and support throughout Lent, Holy Week and Easter. In particular our sacristans, those who read, who produced wonderful music and song, who arranged flowers and helped in any way with the liturgies which were celebrated. We give thanks to the families who led the Rosary on various occasions, those who helped with the Stations of the Cross and the many talented people who contributed to the on-line presentation for St Patrick's Day. We are indebted to you all. Thank you so much.

#### 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

# **Weekday Mass Times** St. Aengus' Burt

Monday 12th April Mass at 10am

Tuesday 13th April Mass at 10am Wednesday 14th April at 10am Freda & Oliver Bidwell

Thursday 15th April Mass at 10am

# **Weekend Mass Times**

Saturday 17th April Mass at 6pm Ann Lemon (MM) & Patsy McLaughlin (MM) Sunday 18th April Mass at 11.15am

Maggie Dowds

All ceremonies can be viewed on www.churchservices.tv/burt

# A THOUGHT...

Whatever the forecast, live like it's spring.

#### **DEATH**

Sympathy is extended to the family and friends of James Brogan, 278 Skeog Cottages, Bridgend who died recently and for his family and friends saddened by their loss.

# TRÓCAIRE LENTEN CAMPAIGN

Here are some suggestions for returning your Trócaire donations

· Online banking (directly to Trócaire). Bank details for Trócaire in ROI are: BIC: AIBKIE2D IBAN: IE20AI-BK93208698861116

· Send a cheque by post to Trócaire at St Patrick's College, Maynooth, Co Kildare (ROI parishes) There is a freephone number, 1850 408 408 (ROI) through which payments can be made, · Donate online on the Trócaire website.

You can also return vour Trócaire Returns to the Parochial Houses (envelopes only please).

#### LITURGICAL READINGS FOR 2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER

1st Reading: The picture put before us in today's reading underlines two elements which must always be present in the Church. These are missionary witness and the sharing of material goods through personal renunciation, with the aim of union of hearts.'

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: A reading from the first letter of St John. Whoever believes that Jesus is the Christ has been begotten by God; and whoever loves the Father that begot him loves the child whom he begets. We can be sure that we love God's children if we love God himself and do what he has commanded us; this is what loving God is – keeping his commandments; and his commandments are not difficult, because anyone who has been begotten by God has already overcome the world; this is the victory over the world – our faith. Who has overcome the world? Only the man who believes that Jesus is the Son of God; Jesus Christ who came by water and blood, not with water only, but with water and blood; with the Spirit as another witness - since the Spirit is the truth. This is the word of the Lord.

**Comment:** It is by the outpouring power of the Holy Spirit, the spirit of love, upon the world, that we can have faith in Jesus who is called the Christ, the chosen, the anointed one. This faith both requires and enables the reborn person to keep God's commandments to love Him and to care for his other children. By the outpouring of water and blood from Jesus's side, our hearts and minds moved by the Holy Spirit, the Church is formed.

Gospel Acclamation: Happy are those who have not seen me, but still believe! Alleluia! Gospel: 'Nothing now can stop the risen Lord from joining with his own. He comes to give them the Spirit and the fruits of the Spirit: peace, joy and the power to forgive sins.' Thomas in his honest incredulity represents us all. Like a sunbeam from Heaven the Spirit enables us to join with Thomas in saying: "My Lord and my God."



# AID FOR THE CHILDREN OF YEMEN

Fr Neal Carlin's new book, *The Eagle*, *The Tiger and Covid*, is now on sale at €10/£10 and can be purchased by contacting goldenagecentre@hotmail.com. All proceeds are being sent via a direct contact to aid the Children of Yemen.

**DIVINE MERCY NOVENA** prayed for the nine days from Good Friday (2 April) until the first Saturday of Easter (10 April), leading into Divine Mercy Sunday (11 April). Novena Prayer Cards are being distributed to the city churches and to the Inishowen churches. For those who would like to join in the Novena but do not have a copy of it, it can be accessed on: https:// divinemercy.life/the-divine-mercy-novena/

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