

ST. MARY'S HALL & Cinema

Buncrana (Tel. 9361572)

Cinema Now Showing

THE NEW MUTANTS

15A 93mins
 Saturday 12th September - 8.15pm
 Sunday 13th - 8.15pm
 Monday 14th - Thursday 17th - 8.15pm

BILL & TED FACE THE MUSIC

PG 91mins
 Friday 18th September - 8.15pm
 Saturday 19th - 8.15pm
 Sunday 20th - 8.15pm
 Monday 21st - Thursday 24th - 8.15pm

**Please Note Limited
 Availability / 45 Seats
 First come first
 served!**

Burt GAA lotto 2, 9, 15, 24, 26, Weekly winners were: Mary Gallagher Newtown €30 Shaun Murphy, Burnfoot €30. Next week Jackpot is €4,600

Register of Electors 2020-2021 In line with the annual process of updating the Register of Electors, a review of the current register is now underway. Please be advised that should you wish to be placed on Register of Electors or a member of your family will reach the age of 18 years before the 15th February, 2021. Please contact Mrs Samantha Mahon on 0870524991 or email smahon@donegalcoco.ie. Or **Facebook** - Register of Electors

Music Classes are back at The Music Box in The Exchange and the Sliabh Sneacht Centre Starting from Tue 15th - Guitar Academy 7yrs+, Singing/Music 7yrs + and Boogie Bugs 3-6yrs. Booking is essential as places are limited in line with Covid precautions. Please check the website or FB for modifications to classes/times etc.. www.themusicboxireland.com or FB www.facebook.com/themusicboxschool OR PH: 086 3068655.

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.

Fahan Parish Newsletter

Burt, Inch & Fahan

Last week's collection was €1,226. Priest's Collection was €130 Many thanks.

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13th September 2020
 Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Fr Bradley PP 9363455
 Fr Diggin 9368155
 Fr Mulhern 9360151
 Parish Office 9360151
 (Mon-Thurs 9am-12:30pm)

FORGIVING OTHERS

We hear in the Gospel today that we must forgive seventy-seven times (or sometimes the translation is seventy times seven). This is not an actual number or a tally chart that we mark off each time we forgive until someone has used up all their chances with us. It is a number representing a perpetual giving of our mercy. Why does Jesus ask us to do this? It is simple. Because God does it for us. Yes, it can be hugely difficult to forgive deep hurts and wrongs done to us, but we are asked that we keep our hearts open to the possibility, or the grace, that we would find it within ourselves to forgive those who have wronged us.

Pope Francis said to a group of young people in 2016:

"Is it possible to forgive totally? It is a grace we must ask of the Lord. We, by ourselves, cannot: we make the effort, as you have done, but forgiveness is a grace that the Lord gives you. Forgiving your enemy, forgiving those who have hurt you and those who have done you harm. When Jesus in the Gospel tells us, 'If anyone slaps you on the right cheek, turn to him the other also', it means this: leave this wisdom of forgiveness, which is a grace, in the hands of the Lord. But we must also do our part to forgive. And there is also another attitude that counters this terrorism of language, whether they may be gossip, or insults: it is the attitude of meekness. Stay silent, treat others well, do not respond with something else that is bad. Like Jesus: Jesus was mild of heart. And we live in a world where we are used to responding to an insult with another. We insult each other and there is a lack of meekness. Ask the grace of meekness, of meekness of heart. And there we also find the grace that opens the way to forgiveness."

SEASON OF CREATION 2020

The parish online discussion and prayer sessions on this year's theme of *Cultivating Hope* continue on Thursday evenings of September (17th, 24th) from 7pm – 8:15pm. These sessions will take place on Zoom and pre-registration is required. To join and take part please contact Máire at buncranafaith@gmail.com or on 0867853726



READINGS FOR 24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Eccles (Sir) 27:30 - 28:7. Penned about 190 BC by Ben Sirach, a faithful Jew who had devoted his life to the pursuit of wisdom. "Resentment and anger, these are foul things, and both are found with the sinner." It is a non-negotiable element of the covenant with the Most High that to be forgiven we must forgive.

Rom 14:7-9. We are social beings. Our education, our entertainment, our media, our elected government, our laws, our commerce, our worship – most of our day-to-day concerns involve others. Hence we all affect one another. "Alive or dead we belong to the Lord."

Mt 18:21-35. The 10,000 talents mentioned would amount to over €50 million today (Jer. Bible)! The debt of gratitude we owe the Lord for re-opening to us the gates of paradise is likewise fantastic. The debt of 100 denarii would amount to less than a day's wages. If we don't forgive paltry human debts neither will our own offences against God – to whom we owe everything - be forgiven

MASSES TIMES

St Mura's Church, Fahan

Mass at 10am on Tuesday.
Mass at 7.30pm on Wednesday
Mass at 7.30pm on Saturday
Mass at 11am on Sunday.

St Aengus' Burt

Mass at 10am on Monday.
Mass at 10am on Thursday.
Mass at 6pm on Saturday.
Mass at 11.15am on Sunday 20th
Dympna Green (1st A)

Our Lady of Lourdes, Inch

Mass at 10am on Friday.
Mass at 10am on Sunday.

Chapel of Ease, Fahan

Mass at 9am on Sunday.

PARISH OFFICE OPENING HOURS

Monday - Thursday
9am - 12.30pm
Tel 074 93 60151

INSTRUCTIONS FOR CEREMONIES

Please enter to the Chapel ONLY at the designated door(s).

To ensure social distancing, you must cooperate with the ushers in filling all areas of the Chapel from the FRONT as directed. If Holy Communion is being distributed, it will take place at the end of the Ceremony as you exit the Chapel. (Alternative arrangements will be made for Funerals & Weddings)

Please follow the "Yellow-Brick-Road" distance markers on the floor to ensure social distancing in the ONE WAY system. Thank you for your co-operation.

DEATHS

Your Prayers are asked for
Linda Blue
who died recently
and for her family & friends
saddened by their loss.

SAFEGUARDING NOTICE

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

THE MESSENGER

September edition is in the Sacristy of the Parish Church for those parishioners who have paid the annual subscription.

GROWTH IN PRAYER AND REFLECTIVE LIVING:

Drumalis, Larne – commencing Monday, 14 September (online by Zoom) This course aims to give you the tools and space to become attuned to God's voice in the midst of the clamour. Takes place over 30 Mondays from 7pm – 9.30pm by Zoom. When circumstances permit, the option to take part in the Drumalis Centre will also be available. Contact 028 28276455/28272196 (Mon-Fri, 9am – 5 pm) or email maura@drumalis.co.uk

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.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to all the Leaving Cert students on their recent exam results. We wish them every success and blessing in all their future endeavours.

National Grandparents Pilgrimage 2020 will be broadcast live on Sunday 13 September at 3.00pm from the Basilica at Knock Shrine. Grandparents and their families are invited to join online at www.knockshrine.ie/watch

A thought..... People say, "It's impossible to do nothing." Some people manage to do the impossible every day.



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