

**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 our Jackpot. Numbers drawn were: 12-20-22-27-28.

Our weekly winners were: Pat Meehan, Manorcunningham €30; Rosina Lynch, Burnfoot €30 (Online Winner). Jackpot next week €7,200

**Burt/Inch/Fahan 2021 calendar** The highly popular Burt Inch and Fahan 2021 calendar is still on sale at all local outlets. We thank the business fraternity for their valued help. Cost €5. Proceeds to much needed parochial funds. Contact Kathleen 0749368373 / 0863931426 for posting or collecting.

**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

**Preparing for Marriage?**

**Catholic Engaged Encounter:** A 'Zoom' online Marriage Preparation course is planned for 27-28 March 2021. This 2-day course is a positive way of preparing for Marriage where you will discover how you can enrich your future relationship. Information/ Booking: [marriageencounter.ie](http://marriageencounter.ie) or 0044 28 27 638512.

**Easter Online Retreat : Towards New Life 21st to 27th March 2021 (L'Arche Community)**. The retreat includes five pre-recorded talks given by Hazel Bradley, Curt Armstrong and Tina Bovermann. For full details, visit <https://www.lafermedetrosly.fr/en/session/towards-new-life> or register on [welcome@lafermedetrosly.com](mailto:welcome@lafermedetrosly.com)

**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](http://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](mailto: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.

**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!

**Safeguarding Notice**

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

**Trócaire Lenten Parish Resources 2021**

[www.trocaire.org/our-work/working-in-Ireland/parishes/resources/](http://www.trocaire.org/our-work/working-in-Ireland/parishes/resources/) For more information on our parish resources, parish workshops and Lent webinars, contact [colm.hogan@trocaire.org](mailto:colm.hogan@trocaire.org)

# Fahan Parish Newsletter

## Burt, Inch & Fahan

**Weekly Collection  
was €510.  
Burt Shrine  
was €395**

**Sincere Thanks**

[fahanparish@derrydiocese.org](mailto:fahanparish@derrydiocese.org)

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

Webcam: [churchservices.tv/burt](http://churchservices.tv/burt)

**14th March 2021**

**Fourth Sunday of Lent**

**Fr Bradley PP 9363455**

**Fr Diggin 9368155**

**Fr Mulhern 9360151**

**Parish Office 9360151**

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

**A NEW COLOUR**

Why rose vestments today? It is the hope of Easter just around the corner. We are on the way, but not there yet. So we wear the colours of joy. Our joy is from the love which has brought us here and made us the work of art we are. Jesus is lifted up on the cross so we may have life. In all our thoughts on lent and the death of Jesus, we are people of the resurrection.

We have many identities in our lives, but our prime belonging is to God, brothers and sisters of Jesus. This is the life of faith, the life of faith in the heart. We can often think of God and faith as deadening. Our faith is that he sent his son from love. Jesus is the one who went through all we go through and rose from death. As our faith in this becomes strong, then we find love active from God in our lives. At times when there is little else there, we unite ourselves with the sufferings of Jesus and rise with him. God, being love, promises not an easy life nor magical solutions, but love always.

We live on amazing grace, and the graced light is Christ. Easter is around the corner, if we take a corner too quickly we crash. In life there is often a call to patience. We live in the light of Easter.

*Look on the world – its business, goodness and evil,  
and let God's love for the world become your love.  
Lord, by your cross and resurrection, you have set us free;  
you are the Saviour of the world.*

**Donal Neary SJ, Gospel Reflections**

**Weekly Collection Boxes for the new year are now available to collect in all Church porches, please collect yours there.**

**Thank you.**

**Trócaire Boxes** are available in the porches of each of the churches if you would like one for your home or workplace. Please support this appeal during Lent if you can.

### 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.

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

### Weekday Mass Times St. Aengus' Burt

**Monday 15th Mass at 10am**

**Tuesday 16th Mass at 10am**

**Wednesday 17th Mass at 10am**

**Thursday 18th Mass at 10am**  
Mary-Ann Cullen

**Parish of Burt, Inch and Fahan FB Page**

**Wed 17th March Mass at 7:15am**

### Weekend Mass Times

**Saturday 20th Mass at 6.00pm**  
Sean Gallagher (MM)

**Sunday 21st Mass at 11.15am**  
Paddy Canning (MM)

*Due to the current Covid 19 restrictions, there will be no congregation at any of our Masses, all Masses can be view at [www.churchservices.tv/burt](http://www.churchservices.tv/burt)*

### PARISH SCHEDULE FOR LENT

**Mon-Thurs** 10am Mass in St Aengus' Burt plus

**Wed** 7:15am Mass on Parish of Burt, Inch and Fahan Facebook Page

**Fri** 10am Mass from St Mary's Oratory, Buncrana followed by Five Minutes of Faith and the Stations of the Cross

**Mon-Fri** 10pm Night Prayer on Parish of Burt, Inch and Fahan Facebook Page

**Sunday** 6pm Stations of the Cross from St Aengus', Burt

### ST PATRICK'S DAY MASS SCHEDULE

**Tuesday 16th March**  
7pm Vigil Mass

**Wednesday 17th March**  
10am Mass



### READINGS FOR 4TH SUNDAY OF LENT (LAETARE SUNDAY)

**First Reading:** The books of Chronicles were composed about 350 BC around the time of Alexander the Great. This Sunday's passage explains that the 70 years exile 600 miles away in Babylon had been God's corrective punishment for Israel's infidelity. It had ended when the God-fearing pagan King Cyrus announced that God had asked him to return the Jews to their homeland.

**Second Reading:** Grace = God's love = the Holy Spirit. The result is: "We are God's work of art, created in Christ Jesus to live the good life..."

**Gospel:** Anyone who prefers to remain in darkness and refuses to come out towards the light, life, truth and goodness of God's only Son, cannot possibly be saved.

### DEATH

Sympathy is extended to the family and friends of the late **Patsy Gallagher** who passed away in England, formerly of Burt, also to the family and friends of the late **Anne Kerlin (née O'Donnell)**, Stroanbrack, Dunamanagh and formerly of Crislakeel, Fahan

### MINI-LENTEN RETREAT

In preparation for the Easter Triduum, 'The Hook of Faith' is happy to offer a 'Mini-Lenten Retreat in Preparation for Holy Week' on Tuesday 23, Wednesday 24 and Thursday 25 March. The retreat will be held on Zoom and will be led by Fr Billy Swan. To take part, all you need to do is send an email to: [thehookoffaith@gmail.com](mailto:thehookoffaith@gmail.com) All are welcome.

### DERRY DIOCESAN SOCIETY

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

### ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

### THE NET

Sharing the fruits of the faith in the Derry Diocese. With Covid-19 restrictions still in place, the March edition of 'The Net' will only be available on the Diocesan website - <https://www.derrydiocese.org/news/the-net-march-2021>

### 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](mailto:goldenagecentre@hotmail.com). All proceeds are being sent via a direct contact to aid the Children of Yemen.

### LOUGH DERG

Sunday 21 March, RTE Studio will broadcast Mass at 11am, celebrated by Msgr La Flynn, Prior of Lough Derg, along with the Lough Derg Pastoral and Music teams. The Mass will be offered for the Lough Derg pilgrim family near and far. Tune into RTE 1 Television or RTE Radio 1.

### A THOUGHT...

The loveliest masterpiece of the heart of God is the heart of a mother. *St Therese of Lisieux*