

# Fahan Parish Newsletter

## Burt, Inch & Fahan

Weekly Collection  
was €797

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

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

**25th July 2021**

**Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Fr Bradley PP 9363455**

**Fr Diggin 9368155**

**Fr Mulhern 9360151**

**Parish Office 9360151**

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

*Sincere Thanks*

### PRAYER FOR THE FIRST WORLD DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS AND THE ELDERLY

I thank You, Lord, for the comfort of Your presence: even in times of loneliness, You are my hope and my confidence, You have been my rock and my fortress since my youth! I thank You for having given me a family and for having blessed me with a long life. I thank You for moments of joy and difficulty, for the dreams that have already come true in my life and for those that are still ahead of me. I thank You for this time of renewed fruitfulness to which You call me.

Increase, O Lord, my faith, make me a channel of your peace, teach me to embrace those who suffer more than me, to never stop dreaming and to tell of your wonders to new generations.

Protect and guide Pope Francis and the Church, that the light of the Gospel might reach the ends of the earth. Send Your Spirit, O Lord, to renew the world, that the storm of the pandemic might be calmed, the poor consoled and wars ended.

Sustain me in weakness and help me to live life to the full in each moment that You give me, in the certainty that you are with me every day, even until the end of the age. Amen.

### NOTE REGARDING TICKETS DURING HOLIDAY PERIODS / OUT OF HOURS

The Parish Office will be closed for the first week in August (Monday 2nd - Friday 6th). Parishioners are asked to get **two** weeks' tickets next week to cover this period, or alternatively tickets can be ordered from the Buncrana Parish Office if necessary.

Also for those who cannot collect them from the Fahan Parochial House in person, the tickets can be sent by post. To arrange this, please phone the parish on 9360151 or email on [fahanparish@derrydiocese.org](mailto:fahanparish@derrydiocese.org) making this request. To guarantee delivery, it is suggested that this be done each week by Wednesday at the latest.

### OUT OF HOURS

To assist with the distribution of tickets for masses in Burt, Inch & Fahan outside of Parish Office hours please feel free to contact Lily McGonagle on 086 602 7206 or [lilymcgonagle@gmail.com](mailto:lilymcgonagle@gmail.com) to book tickets for any remaining spaces.

The number of spaces available in each church will be posted on the Parish Facebook page and the Parish Website each Thursday afternoon. Tickets can then be collected after 5pm on Saturday evening at either the porch of Fahan Chapel (for Fahan, Chapel of Ease & Inch) or Burt Chapel (for Burt) or as you enter the chapel for the Mass you are attending. Our thanks to Lily for offering this service.

*Thank you.*

**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

**BURT GAA** Jackpot of €9,000 didn't go this week. Numbers drawn were 2-4-9-15-18. We had one weekly winner which was Gerald Gallagher, Burnfoot, €60. Jackpot next week is now €9,100. Keep entering for your chance to win!

**THANKS** is long overdue to Niamh and her team for keeping the grass cut in our graveyards, cemeteries, churches etc. We appreciate what you do very much.

**FOYLE HOSPICE VOLUNTEERS:** Foyle Hospice is currently seeking new volunteers for the Day Hospice, in particularly volunteer hairdressers, complementary therapists, and beauticians/nail technicians. The Day Hospice operates on a Tues, Wed and Thurs each week. To volunteer or for more information contact Rachael Osbourne on 04871 351010 or [rachael@foylehospice.com](mailto:rachael@foylehospice.com)

**SWILLY CEP** Four positions available for work in both Cockhill and Fahan graveyards. The usual CE conditions apply. Contact Mickey 0863267443 or Niamh 0861018944

**DONEGAL HOSPICE** are offering bereavement support, call 0894402787 for further 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](http://www.staengusbridgend.com)

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

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

**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

**Get the Grade** English Grinds/Tuition with experienced Teacher of English & SEC examiner. Text/Call Mark: 086 665 5334

**COUNSELLING:** A professional confidential counselling service is available for couples or individuals through ACCORD at the Pastoral Centre, Carndonagh, Co. Donegal, F93 XP59. Contact 074 93 74103 or [accordinishowen@gmail.com](mailto:accordinishowen@gmail.com).

**ACCORD INISHOWEN** are hosting Virtual Interactive Marriage Preparation Programme (Pre-Marriage) Courses via Zoom on Saturdays 9<sup>th</sup> October or 13<sup>th</sup> November. To book: [www.accord.ie/services/marriage-preparation](http://www.accord.ie/services/marriage-preparation) or email [accordinishowen@gmail.com](mailto:accordinishowen@gmail.com) for more information.

**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 26th July Mass at 10am  
Tuesday 27th July Mass at 10am  
Wednesday 28th July at 10am  
Thursday 29th July Mass at 10am

**Weekend Mass Times**

Saturday 31st July Mass at 6pm  
Liam Devlin - Anniversary  
Sunday 1st August Mass at 11.15am

**New Mass Schedule Times**

**St Mura's Church, Fahan**

Friday 30th July Mass at 10am  
Roseleen McGrory  
Saturday 31st July Mass at 7.30pm  
Sunday 1st August Mass at 11am

**Chapel of Ease, Fahan**

Sunday 1st August Mass at 9am

**Our Lady of Lourdes, Inch**

Sunday 1st August Mass at 10am

**DERRY DIOCESAN SOCIETY**

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

**READERS FOR MASS**

Readers are needed for week-end Masses in the Parish Church and Chapel of Ease. Please contact the Parish Office on 074 93 60151 Monday to Thursday, 10am to 12.30pm. Thank you

**\*Please note: The dates for First Holy Communion and Confirmation remain as planned for now as we await further advice from the Government & the Diocese.\***

**LITURGICAL READINGS FOR 17<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**2 Kg 4:42-44.** This miracle performed by Elisha has a threefold meaning: God gives us his children power over the world to supply our needs; the poor must have something to eat; there was even food left over. There a hint here of the of God's open-handed generosity that would be revealed 850 years later with Jesus' coming.

**Eph 4:1-6.** Paul is writing from prison in Rome and his martyrdom is not far off. His message to his converts at Ephesus is that their union of hearts and minds is demanded by sharing in the same divine gifts, in one and the same Lord.

**Jn 6:1-15.** Cana is not far from where this miracle was performed. Once again there is a fulfilment of Ps 144: "You open wide your hand, and grant the desires of all who live." Whatever little we have to share can work miracles in the hands of the Lord.

**WORLD DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS AND THE ELDERLY**

Pope Francis has established a World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly, which will take place for the first time on Sunday 25 July 2021 on the theme 'I am with you always' (Mt 28:20).

For resources, prayers and further information, log on to [www.catholicbishops.ie](http://www.catholicbishops.ie)

**THE LOUGH DERG PILGRIM PATH**

is now open daily. The full route is a 12km loop, with a shorter 8km option. Leaflets are available at the Visitors Centre. A guided walk experience will be offered *on Sun 25<sup>th</sup> and Sat 31<sup>st</sup> July*, with Mass outdoors, weather permitting. Further dates for these guided walks will follow. For further info email

[info@loughderg.org](mailto:info@loughderg.org) or phone +353 71 9861518. [www.loughderg.org](http://www.loughderg.org)

**MARIAN PILGRIMAGES**

have released their pilgrimage schedule for 2021 & 2022 to Lourdes, Medjugorje, Fatima, Italy & Holy Land. For more information or to register your interest please visit [www.marian.ie](http://www.marian.ie) or ring Marian Pilgrimages on (01) 878 8159.

**THE KING OF LOVE**

by Fr Albert McNally, a Down and Connor priest is a 'guide to a prayerful approach to John's Gospel.' It includes 22 examples of Lectio Divina on the Fourth Gospel. A copy costs £15 from Shanway.com.

**AID FOR THE CHILDREN OF YEMEN**

Fr Neal Carlin's new book, *The Eagle, The Tiger and Covid*, is 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.

**A THOUGHT:**

Blessed are those who spoil and snuggle, hug and hope, praise and pamper, laugh and listen. For they shall be called grandparents.