

# Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time – 16th August 2020

# Drowning in the Sea of Fears and Anxieties

The Lord in his great goodness and his infinite mercy always takes us by the hand lest we drown in the sea of our fears and anxieties. He is ever at our side; he never abandons us. And so, let us not be overwhelmed by fear or disheartened, but with courage and confidence let us press forward in our journey and in our mission.

– Address, May 26, 2014

**Reflection:** When faced with challenges in life, it is so easy to forget that Jesus is right by us. Sometimes we don't want to be near him because we are ashamed of our sins or weaknesses. But Jesus wants to be by our side; he wants to be near us. Imagine he's next to you. What do you want to say to him? What is he saying to you?

TIMES OF MASS & CONFESSIONS	
Saturday Vigil Mass:	6.00pm in the Sacred Heart Church, Derry Road
Sunday Masses:	10.00am in the St. Joseph's Church, Glenmornan 11.30am the Sacred Heart Church, Derry Road
Weekday Masses:	Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday @ 10.00am Thursday @ 7.30pm in the Sacred Heart Church, Derry Road
Confessions:	Confessions are suspended until further notice

**WEDDINGS:** Please contact Fr. Gerard Sweeney – at least 6 months notice is required. **BAPTISMS:** Parent(s) are asked to contact Fr. Gerard Sweeney on (028) 71882274.

### NOTICES

**Eucharistic Adoration** will be broadcast live on the parish webcam on Wednesday from 5.00pm until 9.00pm.

#### **Sunday Collection**

09/08/2020 --£1, 499.64. 02/08/2020 - £900.64 26/07/2020 - £1, 483.23 19/07/2020 - £1, 569.12 Church Restoration Fund - £1,465.00. Thank you.

<u>Parishioners</u> who are unable to get to Mass are asked to kindly drop their weekly envelope through the letterbox at the Parish Office, the Sacred Heart Church or St. Joseph's Church.

Those who would like to contribute by cheque should make cheques payable to **'Leckpatrick Parochial No.1 A/C'**.

The digital version of the **September Messenger** will be the last issue to be offered free of charge to non-subscribers. Visit <u>https://issuu.com/messengerpublications/docs/</u> <u>messenger\_september</u>. From October digital subscription will cost £15 per year.

**July Parish Draw** – The winners of this month's draw were as follows:

£500 – Grainne McCay, c/o Greenlaw Park [Promoter – Gabrielle Dooher] £200 – James Wilcox, Lowertown Road [Promoter – John Devine] £100 – Patrick Mullen, Hollyhill Road [Promoter – Sadie Kerlin] £100 – Joan Slattery, c/o Patsy Barrett [Promoter – Patsy Barrett] £100 – Loretto Carlin, Ballee Grove [Promoter – Noel McDaid]

Promoter's Prize – £50 – Gabrielle Dooher

Results of the August draw will be in the bulletin next week and can also be found in the Parish Website.

## Leckpatrick Parish Confirmation

Confirmation will take place in Leckpatrick Parish on Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> August. Due to restrictions because of Covid-19, the number of parishioners permitted in the church is very limited to include the following:

- Child for Confirmation
- Child's Sponsor

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• Child' s Parent(s)/Guardian(s)

There can be NO Exceptions to these rules.

Confirmation will take place in the following way:

The Confirmation Mass will take place at 10.00am in the Sacred Heart Church and can be watched by families via the parish webcam. Fr. Gerry will be the only person in the church and will celebrate Mass by himself.

The Rite of Confirmation will follow after the Mass with children from Strabane Controlled P.S. being seated in the Church by 10.45am sharp! Their Confirmation will take place at 11.00am. Children from St. Mary's P.S., Cloughcor are to be seated by 11.45am sharp and their Confirmation will take place at 12noon. This is the only way to accommodate child, sponsor and parents only.

To access the parish webcam please visit the parish website: <u>www.leckpatrickparish.com</u> and follow the links or visit <u>www.churchservices.tv</u>

**Parish Mass Cards & Mass Bouquet Cards** Parish Mass Cards and Mass Bouquet Cards, (designed by Fr. Gerry) are available for sale from the Parish Office. The cards cost £10 each and the Mass for each individual will be celebrated by Fr. Sweeney.

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