Kincasslagh Parish Newsletter, 25th January 2015

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Schedule of Masses

St. Marv's Church, Kincasslagh Next Weekend Saturday @ 7.00 p.m. Sunday @ 10.00 a.m. This Week Wednesday @ 7.00 p.m. Friday @ 7.00 p.m. St. Columba's Church, Burtonport Next Weekend Saturday @ 6.00 p.m. Sunday @ 11.00 a.m. Next Week Monday @ 10.00 a.m. Tuesday @ 10.00 a.m. Thursday @ 10.00 a.m. Friday @ 11.00 a.m. Grandparents Day Mass followed by cross making in the Centre Direction for Our Times prayer group every 2nd Monday in Sacristy, St. Mary's Church at 6.30 pm

Anniversaries & Masses

Frank (Pa) O'Donnell, Dublin & Burtonport, Sat 24th, StC Andy & Ellen McGonagle, Owey and Cruit, Sat 24th, StM Teresa Gallagher, (Dinny), Keadue, Sun 25th, StM Paddy Joe, Francie & Damien Forker, Sun 25th, StC Toney Owenie Manus, Sat 31st, StC Manus O'Donnell, Sat 31st, StM Fred Sharkey, Mullaghderg, Sun 1st Feb, StM Ellen McCole, Burtonport, Sun 1st, StC James Ruddy, whose anniversaries occur at this time.

<u>Fundraising Events</u> Caislean Oir, Annagry

Quiz on Wednesday @ 10 pm. Proceeds in aid of the ALZHEIMER'S SOCIETY OF DONEGAL. Teams for 4, \in 20 per team. Kincasslagh Hall Bingo on Friday night at 8.30 p.m. in aid of KEADUE ROVERS FC. Snowball is \in 650 and the Jackpot stands at \in 3,000.

Burtonport Festival fundraising Quiz nights will commence Friday 30th Jan in O'Donnell's Bar starting at 10pm sharp. We would greatly appreciate your continued support for our quizzes and perhaps encourage more people to come out for this monthly event.

FAS Vacancy

There is a vacancy for a FAS worker in the Day Centre in Arranmore. Please apply to <u>0876651518</u> if interested. This is a training scheme which equips people with the skills to get back into the workforce. All training is provided free of charge and is designed to the needs of the applicant.

A FRIEND OF THE OLD RAILWAY WALK 2015 registration will take place on Saturday 31st Jan from 5.45 - 7 and from Sunday 1st Feb from 11.30 -12.00 at the community centre in Acres. The committee would encourage as many as possible to support this initiative which works out at \in 1 per month/ \in 12 per year as the money raised really goes a long way towards keeping the walkway and its signage maintained throughout the year.



Prayer to St. Blase Feast Day. February 3 Partie of these with thick' diseases

Dear St. Blase, lover of sculs, you wilkingly bore heavy crosses in faithful imitation of Jesus. Similarly, with Christike compassion you cured many sufferers. Then after undergoing homble tortures you died as a martyr for Christ.

O compassionate St. Blass if it is agreeable to Our Heavenly Father, obtain a cure for my ills. Amon.

National Youth Strategy: Is eager to hear your opinions on Better Outcomes, Brighter Futures. Take part in the On-Line Consultation for 10-24 Yrs, takes just 5 mins on Rosses NYP FaceBook page and find link. Also share ideas for New Local Programmes to engage 10-16 Yrs, Parents & Youth can input, check the Homer Note on FB Page or Tel 9561931

IOSAS Centre

There will be a Mass to celebrate St Brigid's Day on Sunday **1st February** at 3pm in St Canice's Oratory, Celtic Prayer Garden. All welcome. **More Alive:** The Columba Community are hosting a day of serenity at St Anthony's Retreat Centre, Burnfoot on St Brigid's Day, Sunday 1st February 2015, from 11am – 4pm. Breige O'Hare, a qualified spiritual director, will lead us in a day of quiet reflection concluding with Mass. Booking essential - call (00353) 74 9368370. Cost is €12/£10 including a light lunch.

Christian Unity Week

Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink."



Meeting in St. Columba's Church on Sunday 25th January at 4.00 p.m.

A hot and dusty day, a stranger stops at a well for a drink. A meeting with an inquisitive woman becomes a turning point and a transformative one. It is a meeting where old suspicions, hurts and hatreds are never far away: a Jew and a Samaritan discuss what divides them. It is a meeting where ancient conventions around gender inequality are unexpectedly challenged. Could this have been avoided? No, for Jesus was compelled to go through Samaria and in that journey he encountered a woman by a well where he asked her for a drink.

Conversations such as these have the potential to change people and how they view one another. One of the most important things we can say about our ecumenical life together is how our pilgrimage together has transformed and deepened our faith and also changed how we view our Christian sisters and brothers from other churches and traditions. Can this journey be avoided?

No, because we too are called by God to travel in this direction.

The churches of Brazil have given us a powerful image for this year's Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, one that reminds us of what we have learnt on our ecumenical journey, but one that challenges us to go deeper in our understanding of one another as we pray for unity of all Christians as Christ himself prayed.

Revd Bob Fyffe, General Secretary, Churches Together in Britain and Ireland

For anyone experiencing difficulties with hearing or problems with their hearing aids, free hearing tests and hearing aid servicing now available at The Courtyard Shopping Centre in Letterkenny and other locations throughout Donegal. Wax removal and tinnitus therapy also available (Service provided by Qualified Audiologists). Contact Aoife on 0749113296 for an appointment. Home visits also available in the event of a patient not being able to travel.

Lifestyle Plus +Club Launch

This launch will take place at the Stepping Stone, Dungloe on Monday 26th January @ 7.p.m. Come along and find out more about our fun, motivating and exciting new club. For further details contact 086 3630086.

Bowls

Children's Bowls are starting in the Community Centre on Sunday 25th January from 6-7 pm. Children over the age of eight are welcome.