HOLY FAMILY PARISH

02 October 2016 Readings: Sunday C 27th Sunday of the Year Psalter: Week 3



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PARISH MASSES TIMES & ADORATION Holy Family Church

Mon-Fri: 9.15am, Sat Vigil: 6.30pm, Sun 10 &12 Confessions: Sat 5.45pm – 6.15pm Adoration: Mon 10am – 4pm

St Thérèse Church

Mon-Sat: 10am, Sat Vigil: 6pm, Sun 10.30 &12 Confessions: Sat 5.15pm – 5.45pm Holy Mass in the Extraordinary Form 3rd Tues & 2nd Sun of the month Perpetual Adoration: Sun 1pm – Sat 5.45pm

REST IN PEACE

Recently deceased: Joe Rodgers (Brighton); Paddy O'Flaherty

Anniversaries: Joan Boden; Mary Campbell Hann; Mary McManus; Daniel Smyth; Martin Salmon Snr; Sally Brown; Brendan Doyle; Brendan Vernon; Sara O'Reilly: Kathleen Gilchrist; Thomas Mageean (10th); Jim O'Rourke; Alice O'Kane; Paddy & Rosie Ferguson; Michael & Rose Boyle

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord

COLLECTIONS

The **weekly collection** on Sunday 25 September came to £3218.27. Many thanks for your continued support.

BAPTISMS

Congratulations to Aoife Mary Shannon, Cathal John Magee, Sara Lucia McCallion, Oilibhear Kieran McSteen, Rowan Ann-Marie Reilly, who were baptised last weekend.

DON'T FORGET

Tea/coffee in the Gate Lodge Wednesdays 9.15am – 12 noon.

REQUESTS FOR BAPTISM LINES, ETC.

In order to comply with the requirements of the Data Protection Act, the Diocese is directing that any future requests for baptism, confirmation or marriage certificates **must be made in writing.** Certificates will only be issued to those named on the record or, in the case of someone under the age of 16, their parent/guardian. Because requests must be signed and a written record of all requests retained, we are unable to accept request by phone/ e-mail.

SAVE THE DATE

Holy Family Parish Christmas Fair will take place on the afternoon of Sunday 27th November. Details to follow. If you can help please leave your name in the Office.

ALTAR SERVICE

If your child is interested in becoming an altar server (p5 onwards) please contact the Parish Office. We will shortly be contacting those that have already volunteered, with a date for training.

SAVE THE DATE - 22.10.2016 - AN INVITATION TO ALL OUR PARISH VOLUNTEERS

Everyone who volunteers in the parish in any way is warmly invited to the 6.30pm Vigil Mass in Holy Family Church on Saturday 22nd October. This will be the Vigil Mass of Mission Sunday with the theme for 2016: 'Every Christian is a Missionary'. During Mass there will be a special Blessing of Volunteers. This will also be an occasion to celebrate, acknowledge and affirm the tremendous contribution that our volunteers make to the life of the parish by giving generously of their time and talents. Afterwards light refreshments will be served in the Gathering Space, offering an opportunity to chat over a cuppa.... Please save the date and we look forward to seeing you at 6.30pm on 22nd October.

100 CLUB BUILDING FUND – WEEK 22

£200 – Carol Ewings, Old Cavehill Road & Fr. P. Strain, Holy Family Presbytery

£100 –Mrs. Gilmore, Rosemount Gardens & E. Lynch, Fortwilliam Demesne

Promoter's Prize – Elizabeth Steele Congratulations to all our winners.

We urgently require promoters for Somerton Close & Dunmore Crescent. Please contact the Parish Office.

PROGRAMME OF PARISH ACTIVITIES

A wide range of activities is on offer in the parish. Whether you would like to take up a new hobby or make new friends, there is something for all ages and interests. A full list of activities, which take place in the Parish Centre, the Gate Lodge and Youth Centre, is displayed on the notice boards in the Gathering Space, St. Therese Church and the Parish Centre. For more details please contact the Parish Office or go to the event venue.

ST PATRICK'S COLLEGE, BEARNAGEEHA

Year 8 Mass Mon 03 Oct at 4pm in St Thérèse Church.

PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK

Dominican Jubilee pilgrimage to Knock on Sunday 09 October. Seats available on the bus. Contact Sr. Marie Joseph 90370008.

FIRST FRIDAY

Next Friday 07 October, is the First Friday of the month. If you are housebound, or know someone who is, and would like a First Friday visit, please contact the Parish Office.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Come celebrate the 6th anniversary of our Eucharistic Adoration on Thursday 13 October. Mass in Holy Family Church at 7.30pm, and refreshments will be served afterwards in the Gathering Space. Everyone welcome.

HOSPITALITY FOR ST THÉRÈSE CHURCH

No. 65 Somerton Road is now available for the provision of refreshments to those parishioners who attend the Sunday Masses in St Thérèse (First Sunday of the month at 10.30am & 12 noon). This means the Hospitality Team will need additional volunteers who are available to provide hospitality on the first Sunday of the month in No. 65. If you are interested please contact the Parish Office on 90743119, or feel free to contact Carol McLaughlin on 07713323494, or Nora Byrne on 07821160 696.

CALLING ALL YEAR 8 YOUNG PEOPLE

Come and join the Parish GIFT 1 Programme beginning on Wednesday 19th October, 7 - 9pm, in Holy Family Gathering Space for six Wednesday's. [GIFT - Growing In Faith Together]. Have fun, learn to juggle, do arts & crafts, First Aid, cake decorating and learn more about your faith. To register - Holy Family Church - take a Registration Form from the tables in the Gathering Space.

St. Therese Church - take a Registration Form from the notice board inside the Church.

In School - collect a Registration Form from Mrs Webb [Dominican College], Miss McCarthy [Little Flower Girls' School], Mr Dowd [St. Malachy's College], Mrs Lyttle [St. Patrick's College].

Return your completed Registration Form to the Parish Office or to the collection plate at Mass. Come along and bring your friends - we look forward to seeing you

NEWINGTON DAY CENTRE

Annual church door collection will take place on Sat 08 and Sun 09 October after all Masses. The centre is a charity situated at 31-35 Atlantic Avenue. It has been providing care and support to older people and their families for nearly 40 years. We depend heavily on donations from the local community to help us raise around £140,000 each year to run the Centre. We ask you to donate anything you can afford and assure you all donations go straight to the centre. We thank you for your continued support of the work of Newington Day Centre.

LIVING YOUTH

Summer Pilgrimage 2017. Are you aged 17-25? Why not join us on our Pilgrimage to Rome: 29th July – 5th August. £800 includes flights, transfers, accommodation, half board, t-shirts and jacket. Lots of fundraising ideas and opportunities. £100 deposit required. Closing Date: Mon 17th October 2016.

ANNUAL LEGION OF MARY ROSARY PROCESSION

Sun 06 October, leaving St John's Church, Falls Road at 3pm.

FEAST OF ST THÉRÈSE OF LISIEUX

We remember St Thérèse, whose feast day is 01 October. "St Thérèse of Lisieux, pray for us".

ANNIVERSARIES IN THE COMING WEEK HOLY FAMILY

Mon 03rd (9.15am) **Jim O'Rourke** Fri 07th (9.15am) **Paddy & Rosie Ferguson** Sat 08th (6.30pm) **Kevin Kearney** Sun 09th (12 noon) **Grainne Duignan**

ST THÉRÈSE

Mon 03rd (10am) Alice O'Kane Fri 07th (10am) Michael & Rose Boyle Sat 08th (10am) Danny Tumilty (1st) Sat 08th (6pm) Gerry Hannon (1st) Sun 09th (10.30am) Larry McIlroy

MISSION MONTH OF OCTOBER

Mission Month gives us all the opportunity to reflect on our baptismal call to bring Christ to others. World Missions Ireland organises the Mission Sunday collection in all Churches nationwide. Mission Sunday 2016 is 23rd Oct, themed 'Every Christian is a Missionary'. For information or to make a donation please visit www.wmi.ie.

DAY FOR LIFE

Today Sunday 02 October, dedicated to raising awareness about the meaning and value of human life at every stage, and in every condition. The Bishops' Pastoral Message is available in both Churches this weekend or at www.catholicbishops.ie.

SEVENTH CORPORAL WORK OF MERCY To bury the dead

'Give graciously to all the living and withhold not kindness from the dead'. [Sirach 7:33]

The previous six Corporal Works of Mercy are taken from the famous parable of the Last Judgment [Matthew 25:21-40]. This Work of Mercy is inspired by the Old Testament figure Tobit, who buried the dead at the risk of his own life. In the Creed we profess that we believe in the resurrection of the body and that fundamental truth shapes our rich Catholic tradition of funeral rites. These rites speak of the pain of loss; faith in the Resurrection; the hope of eternal life mingled with prayers to assist the departed on their final journey and the sacramental life which draws us, body and soul, into the death and resurrection of Christ. Jesus himself entered into the reality of our own death and was buried in a tomb but he destroyed the power of death because he is the 'Resurrection and the life'. [John 11:25]. Just as the women followers lovingly brought anointing oils to honour Jesus, we too can live out this Work of Mercy by praying for the deceased, attending the Requiem Mass, visiting the family of the deceased, arranging to have Mass celebrated for the repose of the souls of those who have died, tending to the graves of loved ones and participating in the annual Cemetery Sunday Services. A group of our parishioners are members of the Bethany Bereavement Support Ministry. They will contact the bereaved relatives several weeks after the death of a loved one to offer an opportunity to talk in confidence to a trained listener. They can also be contacted by telephone 07925260592. The final act of kindness extended to Jesus was a decent burial. This too, can be an occasion when what we do for others, we do for him.

The last of the Mercy Days in St Patrick's will take place on Friday 28 October at 7pm. 'Mercy and Motherhood' presented by Mrs Eileen Foley. The Great Jubilee Year ends 20 November.