

HOLY FAMILY PARISH



04th October 2015

27th Sunday of the Year

Sundays: Cycle B

Weekdays: 1 Psalter Week 3

FAMILY VALUES

When was the last time you attended a marriage or baptism ceremony? It's probably not that long ago; these celebrations tend to come around every year or two, and they are often big family occasions. When a family gathers in the church to celebrate a wedding or a baptism, it is a time to reflect on the role our faith plays in our lives. What has brought us here?

When a couple says their wedding vows, they promise to seek God together, in good times and bad; during a baptism, parents and godparents are reminded of their responsibility to bring their child up in the practice of the faith. There is no such thing as the perfect marriage or family. In the home, we can experience some of our greatest joys and our deepest hurts and sorrows. But it is also where we experience God's love, and do our best to pass it on.

Today's readings offer an opportunity to think about marriage and family. Somewhere along the line, someone in your family made the decision to follow Jesus. Your parents may have brought you to be baptised, just like their parents did for them, and so on down through the generations.

However you came to faith, the responsibility now rests with you. Jesus invited the little children to come to him. We have a responsibility to pass on the faith in our own families. 'May the Lord bless us all the days of our life' (Psalm 127).

Triona Doherty



PRIESTS OF OUR PARISH

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REST IN PEACE

WE PRAY FOR ALL THOSE WHO DIED RECENTLY:

Bobby Briggs; Pauline Lavery, Veronica Hagans; Gerard Keenan

FOR THOSE WHOSE MONTHS MIND OCCURS AT THIS TIME:

Anne McKiernan; Margaret Thompson; Patricia O'Hare

FOR THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARY OCCURS AT THIS TIME:

Thomas Mageean; Kevin Kearney; Larry McIlroy (1st); Kathleen

Gilchrist; Rose O'Boyle; Teresa Mulligan; John Boden;

Joe & Molly Cassidy; Kathleen Anderson; Christine Healy; Pam Healy; Aleen Herdman;

Fr. Felix McLaughlin; Brendan Doyle; Martin Salmon Sen.

ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO THEM O LORD



PARISH LIFE



ANNIVERSARY MASSES IN THE COMING WEEK

HOLY FAMILY

Mon 05th (9.15am) **Thomas Mageean**

Thurs 08th (9.15am) **Kevin Kearney**

Fri 09th (7.30pm) **Patricia O'Hare**

Sat 10th (6.30pm) **Eugene & Elizabeth McCreesh**

Sun 11th (10am) **Kevin Kearney**

Sun 11th (12 noon) **Kathleen Cullen**

ST THERESE CHURCH

Wed 07th (10am) **Rose O'Boyle**

Fri 09th (10am) **Teresa Mulligan**

Sat 10th (6pm) **Bob Monahan (MM)**

Sun 11th (10.30am) **Jim Magill**

Sun 11th (12 noon) **Dermot Houston (1st)**

CELEBRATING SERVICE

We pray for the success of this event this weekend, after the 3 Holy Family Masses, and we look forward to welcoming you to the celebration.

BAPTISMS

Welcome, to Holy Family Parish, those babies recently baptised:- **Keelan Seamus Black; Finn Cian Hanratty; Faye Catherine McCrudden; Chloe Marie Smyth.**

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

The collection for Sunday 27th Sept amounted to £3251.16. Many thanks to all those who contributed.

RESPONSE TO REFUGEE CRISIS

Should you wish to make a donation to "Funds for Food Aid" through the Parish, please leave your donation into the Parish Office, in a clearly marked envelope. We will be happy to pass on your contribution to the nominated charities (St Vincent de Paul and Trocaire). We acknowledge the generosity many Parishioners have shown to date, as well as the prayers offered by Parish, individuals and families.

CHILDREN'S CHOIR

We are keen to welcome more young people to the Choir at the 10am Family Mass in Holy Family, as well as volunteers to assist. Please contact the Parish Office, or see Mark Mooney.





CHRISTMAS FAIR

In response to popular demand a small group of Parishioners is organising a Christmas Fair, featuring the Rickety Wheel, Tombola, Cake Stall, Santa etc. Held on Sunday 29 November at 2pm, in the Parish Centre. If you are available and willing to help, or to donate prizes, please contact the Parish Office. Further details to follow.

REMINDERS

Irish Class - Thursdays @10am, in the Gathering Space. All levels catered for. Contact 07724199121.

Irish classes in Aras Mhic Reachtain 283 Antrim Rd. 7pm - 9pm every Wed. Cost £3 per session. 07779704791

Resurrection Nursery & Playgroup still taking new names for the afternoon playgroup session. 90391012

BEGINNING EXPERIENCE

The loss of a partner through death, separation or divorce is devastating. Beginning Experience is offering 'a weekend away for a lifetime of change' in Drumalis Retreat and Conference Centre, Larne, 23-25 October 2015. To find out more, contact Phil: 02890 207645 or Marie: 07542070835



FEAST DAYS IN THE COMING WEEK

Tues 06th	St Bruno, priest
Wed 07th	Our Lady of the Rosary
Friday 09th	Blessed John Henry Newman, priest

DID YOU KNOW.....

Originally an evangelical Oxford academic and priest in the Church of England, **Blessed John Henry Newman** then became drawn to the high-church tradition of Anglicanism. He was leader of the Oxford Movement, an influential and controversial grouping of Anglicans who wished to return, to the Church of England, many Catholic beliefs and liturgical rituals from before the English Reformation. In 1845, he was received into the Catholic Church. He was quickly ordained as a priest and continued as an influential religious leader. Blessed John Henry Newman was beatified, in Birmingham, by Pope Benedict XVI on 19th September 2010.

POPE'S INTENTIONS FOR OCTOBER

Universal: *Human Trafficking*: That human trafficking, the modern form of slavery, may be eradicated.

Evangelisation: *Mission in Asia*: That, with a missionary spirit, the Christian communities of Asia may announce the Gospel to those who are still awaiting it.



HOLY FAMILY PARISH 100 CLUB

BUILDING FUND WEEK 22

£200 - Anne McCann, Sarajac Crescent

£200 -David Weiniger, Lansdowne Road

£200 - Dr. Burns, Slievemoyne Park

Promoter's Prize - Brenda Mullan



MASS FOR 5TH ANNIVERSARY OF PERPETUAL ADORATION

Celebration Mass on Tuesday 13th October, at 7pm, in Holy Family Church. Refreshments afterwards in the Gathering Space. All welcome.

PERPETUAL ADORATION (HOLY FAMILY & ST THERESE)

Adorers urgently required for Thursday mornings 6am - 7am, in St Therese Church.

MEN ONLY!

A meeting on Mon 12th Oct at 1.30pm in Sacred Heart Parish Centre, for men only, with a view to setting up an inter parish men's group for leisure pursuits, entertainment, walks, outings etc. Refreshments available. Come and share ideas of what you would like to see for senior men in the North Belfast Pastoral Area.

"COME AND SEE" DAY IN ST. MALACHY'S SEMINARY

Have you ever considered a vocation to the priesthood? Why not explore it further and come along to the "Come and See" day. This event will provide you with an opportunity to visit our diocesan seminary, to meet those young men who are studying for the priesthood, and to spend time in prayer and reflection. Sat 17th October in St. Malachy's Seminary, 10am-4pm. Contact Fr. Kevin McGuckien (Vocations Director) – Email: kevinmcguckien@hotmail.com or Tel: 02890614567.

SECULAR FRANCISCANS

The venue for the meeting on Tuesday 06th Oct at 7pm will be the **Gate Lodge**, in the grounds of Holy Family.

YOUTH 2000 IN LOUGH DERG

A Catholic weekend retreat 16th -18th Oct for young adults 16-35. Talks and workshops, prayer, music, Mass and Adoration. Donation only (and a sleeping bag!). www.youth2000.ie / 07598 876399.

NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER FOR CHILDREN

Friday 09th October. World Missions Ireland—www.wmi.ie
"Suffer little children to come unto me, for theirs is the Kingdom of Heaven"

DAY FOR LIFE - CELEBRATING AND UPHOLDING THE DIGNITY OF HUMAN LIFE

Today, 04 Oct, focusing on End of Life decisions. www.dayforlife.org.

LIFE AND PRAYER

Sacred Heart Parish Centre - 3 Mondays left. 7.15pm - 9pm. Fr Brendan McManus SJ. Suggested donation £2.



MASS TIMES IN HOLY FAMILY PARISH

Holy Family Church (all Masses available on webcam via www.holy-familyparish.com)

Mon-Fri: 9.15am Sat Vigil: 6.30pm Sun: 10am & 12 noon

Confessions: Sat 5.45pm - 6.15pm

Adoration of the Most Holy Eucharist: Mon 10.00am - 4.00pm

St Therese of Lisieux Church

Mon-Sat: 10.00am Sat Vigil: 6.00pm Sun: 10.30am & 12 noon

Confessions: Sat 10.30am - 11.00am and 5.15pm - 5.45pm

Holy Mass in the Extraordinary Form every 3rd Tuesday at 7.00pm and every 2nd Sunday at 6pm

Perpetual Adoration of the Most Holy Eucharist: Sun 1.00pm - Sat 5.45pm, continuously