

# HOLY FAMILY PARISH



06 September 2015

23rd Sunday of the Year

Sundays: Cycle B

Weekdays: 1 Psalter Week 3

## EPHPHATHA

Between 1 September and 4 October (the feast of St Francis of Assisi) Christian churches celebrate the season of 'Creation Time'. It is an opportunity for us to reflect on the gift of our world and to look at our relationship with the planet. There is no better time for us as individuals and as parish communities to consider our responsibilities to act on climate change, especially in light of Pope Francis' recent encyclical *Laudato Si*.

In the Gospel today, as Jesus opens the ears of a deaf man, he says 'Ephphatha – Be Opened'. May our ears be opened to the cries of the earth and to the poor who suffer the most because of climate injustice. What a wonderful and prophetic action it would be in celebration of 'Creation Time' if each parish community committed to beginning a JPIC (Justice, Peace & Integrity of Creation) group? Or perhaps thinking ahead to the feast of St Francis, ask ourselves how can we as parish communities celebrate the gift of creation?

'I wish to address every person living on this planet... I urgently appeal for a new dialogue about how we are shaping the future of our planet. We need a conversation which includes everyone, since the environmental challenge we are undergoing, and its human roots, concern and affect us all'.

*Pope Francis, Laudato Si', 1, 14*

**Jane Mellett**



## PRIESTS OF OUR PARISH

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### REST IN PEACE

**WE PRAY FOR ALL THOSE WHO DIED RECENTLY:**

Anne McKiernan & Sr. Magdalena McParland

**FOR THOSE WHOSE MONTHS MIND OCCURS AT THIS TIME:**

Maureen McErlean

**FOR THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARY OCCURS AT THIS TIME:**

Joanne Morgan; Dermot Curran (1st); Robert Martin (1st); Sheila & Thomas Walsh; Sarah McKeever; James Richard Hann;

Frank McGoldrick; Rosie & Paddy Ferguson; Barney Deery; Eoin Loughran; David Parker; Claire & Terry McGuinness; The Connolly Family; The Quinn Family & The McConnell Family

**ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO THEM O LORD**



## PARISH LIFE



### BAPTISMS

Welcome to those babies recently baptised:- **Kieran Neil Montgomery & Odhran Brendan Arthur Rice**

### Parish Family Mass

The Parish 'Family Mass' resumes this weekend, at the 10am Mass in Holy Family Church. Seeking:- **1. New members for the Choir**, (p3 and up), come along any Sunday morning at 9:30am. **2. A guitarist** **3. Parents to help with the leadership team**. Please speak to Mark any Sunday or contact the Parish office.

### CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Will recommence on Sunday 13th September - 10am in Holy Family and 10.30am in St Therese.

### ANNIVERSARY MASSES IN THE COMING WEEK

#### **HOLY FAMILY**

Thurs 10th (9.15am) **Gerard & Susan Hale**

Fri 11th (9.15am) **Joseph Donnelly**

Sat 12th (6.30pm) **Molly Martin**

Sun 13th (12 noon) **Kathleen Cullen**

#### **ST THERESE CHURCH**

Sat 12th (6pm) **John Kelly (MM)**

Sun 13th (12 noon) **Martin Lagan (MM)**

### FILM CLUB – FIRST SCREENING OF THE NEW SEASON

'Woman In Gold' will be screened in the Gathering Space of Holy Family Church on Fri 11th Sept at 7.45pm. This film, starring Helen Mirren, Ryan Reynolds and Daniel Bruhl, is based on the remarkable true story of one woman's journey to reclaim her heritage and seek justice for what happened to her family in WWII. All are most welcome - admission is free and refreshments will be served.

### LECTIO DIVINA

Resumes on Tuesday 08th September, in Holy Family Church, 10am - 11am. Everyone welcome.

### BAPTISM PREPARATION (FOR FIRST TIME PARENTS)

On Mon 07 September, in Holy Family Church at 7pm. Parents who wish to have their child baptised Sept-Dec should attend. Godparents are also welcome to attend. Please contact the Parish Office.

### CONFIRMATION FOR OUR CHILDREN ATTENDING NON-PARISH SCHOOLS

Preparation classes will start mid October. Those wishing to participate are asked to contact the Parish Office asap.





## **PARISH CENTRE GROUPS AND CLASSES**

Groups recommencing, as follows:-

Monday 7th      **Keep Fit** (7.30pm) and **Mothers and Toddlers** (10am)  
Tuesday 8th     **Karate** (7pm) and **Adult Irish Dancing** (8.30pm)  
Wednesday 9th **Bridge** (7.30pm)  
Thursday 10th **Irish Dancing** (5pm)  
Sunday 13th    **Bridge** (7pm)

**Geoff's Yoga Classes**, commencing Tuesday 08th:- Tuesdays (6.30pm),  
Wednesdays (10am, 11.30am, 6.30pm and 8pm) and Thursdays (9.30am and  
11am). £20 for 5 weeks. Contact 07759266713.

**Adult Irish Dance classes** Tues 8th (8.30pm). Anne - 90324732/07714233298/  
annereidirishdance@gmail.com

**Indoor Bowls** Thurs 10th, 7pm. New members welcome. Bowls available.

**27th Belfast Scouts** – Registration for all Scouting sections (existing and new members) from 7pm on Wed  
9th Sept. Anyone interested in finding out about being a Scout leader will also be very welcome.

**And.....**

**Irish Class** - Thurs 24th Sept at 10am, in the Gathering Space. All levels catered for. Contact 07724199121.

### **HOLY FAMILY GUIDE UNIT**

Reopens w/c 14th Sept:- Cygnets (P1-P2) Wed 16th Sept 7pm- 8pm. Brigini (P3-P6) Tues 15th Sept 7pm-  
8.30pm. Guides (P7-aged 14) Mon 14th Sept 7pm- 9pm and Rangers (Aged 14-18) Mon 14th Sept 7pm- 9pm  
New volunteer leaders (aged 18) welcome. holyfamilyguides@hotmail.com or at Holy Family Youth Centre

### **PERPETUAL ADORATION (HOLY FAMILY & ST THERESE)**

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

### **CATHOLIC CHAPLAINCY AT QUEEN'S**

Undergrad Open Days 10th and 11th September. Undergrad Family Open Day 12th Sept. [www.qubcc.org](http://www.qubcc.org).

### **REMINDER**

Experienced Maths tutor available, all levels catered for. Phone Becky on 07540349565.

Primary Maths and English tutor available. Contact Victoria on 07922364606.

Resurrection Nursery & Playgroup - afternoon playgroup places. Contact Rachael on 9039 1012.

### **CAVEHILL TENNIS CLUB**

Autumn classes start w/c 07th Sept.. Contact Richard on 90776758 or visit [www.cavehilltennisclub.co.uk](http://www.cavehilltennisclub.co.uk)



### **HOLY FAMILY PARISH 100 CLUB**

#### **BUILDING FUND WEEK 18**

**£200 - Mrs M Hannon, Dunlambert Drive**

**£200 - Mr P Dyer, Shandarragh Park**

**Promoter's Prize - Bernadette Keenan**

### **THE NEXT BETHANY BEREAVEMENT TRAINING COURSE**

Thurs 26th Sept in the Good Shepherd Centre. For further information contact Claire Dowds @ 07557882183.

### **CONCERT - CAPELLA CAECILIANA**

Sunday 20th Sept at 3pm in St Teresa's Church Glen Road. Tickets £10. [www.caeciliana.org](http://www.caeciliana.org)

### **DOWN AND CONNOR FAITH AND LIFE CONVENTION 2015**

Sat 26 Sept in Our Lady and St Patrick's College, 10am. Keynote speaker Fr Brendan Comerford SJ, speaking to us on the theme - What hope for faith? In the afternoon participants can take part in two workshops, from a wide range covering 20 topics. Book online [www.faithandlifeconvention.org](http://www.faithandlifeconvention.org) Booking forms are still available in the porches of the Churches. The Parish Office will be pleased to process your application. Cost: £25 including lunch or £18 bring your own lunch [tea/coffee provided].



### **LIVING YOUTH – FAITH & LIFE CONVENTION 2015**

Are you aged 16-21? Why not register for the youth workshop and spend the day (Sat 26th Sept) with other young adults, from across the Diocese? £5 (includes lunch and refreshments) if you register through Living Youth. Contact Claire at Living Youth, 028 90 232 432 or email: [info@livingyouthni.org](mailto:info@livingyouthni.org).

### **MASS IN THE EXTRAORDINARY FORM**

Sunday 13th Sept at 6pm, in St Therese Church. Missals in Latin and English are available.

### **THE NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS**

September 26-27th. The brochures including themes of the workshops and keynote speakers available from the Parish Office. If you are interested in travelling to Knock by bus or car pooling contact the Parish Office.

### **LIFE AND PRAYER**

Course in Sacred Heart Parish Centre runs over 6 Mondays, Mon 14th Sept -Monday 19th Oct, 7.15pm - 9pm. Presented by Fr Brendan McManus SJ. Suggested donation £2 per session.

### **PATHWAYS- ADULT FAITH DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME AT DRUMALIS**

October to June each year, on nine Saturdays, 10:00 am - 4:30 pm. Financial help may be available. Contact Holy Family Parish Office for more details.

### **HOW TROCAIRE IS RESPONDING TO THE HUMANITARIAN CRISIS**

Trocaire believes Ireland should do more, in response to the current humanitarian crisis. It is supporting Caritas Europe, responding on the ground to the needs of refugees arriving in Serbia. Trocaire also works with partners in Syria, Iraq, South Sudan and Somalia, Jordan and Lebanon. See the full statement via the Trocaire link on the Holy Family website, or contact the Parish Office for a copy.

#### **MASS TIMES IN HOLY FAMILY PARISH**

**Holy Family Church (all Masses available on webcam via [www.holy-familyparish.com](http://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**