HOLY FAMILY PARISH

09 August 2015 19th Sunday of the Year

Sundays: Cycle B Weekdays: 1 Psalter Week 3



MURMURINGS

Both Elijah and the crowd at Capernaum murmur in their respective wildernesses. The prophet even craves death. His journey has made him disillusioned and he begs for release. The stories of Elijah's journey to Horeb and Jesus' extended discourse allude to the older tale of the Israelites in the desert complaining about God – or more accurately God's perceived absence. At the same time, they need to get over their own notions, or misplaced desires, and stop making God in their own image.

An angel arrives to save Elijah and help him on his journey. Jesus, contrastingly, offers himself as the journey's end. But his audience react with incredulity. They know his family. He is a local. How could this rural 'wannabe' tell them something they do not already know?

The Christian community is the body of Christ. Perhaps it is for this reason that Paul asks his readers to stop moaning and 'be friends.' In the body of Christ gathered around his table we become friends with God as well as one another. Atonement becomes 'at-one-ment' and murmuring gives way to friendship. Leaving behind the wilderness, we might find our way back to the garden, where in that most ancient of stories God walks and talks with us, as friends.

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WE PRAY FOR ALL THOSE WHO DIED RECENTLY FOR THOSE WHOSE MONTHS MIND OCCURS AT THIS TIME

FOR THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARY OCCURS AT THIS TIME:

Mary Haughey; Thomas & Jane Moreland Mary McGlinchey; Charlie & Maureen McGarrity; Bridie Deehan; Aidan Trainor; Eileen Bell; Hugh McMahon; Paddy & Tony O'Hara; Isobel

Storey; Mary Gribben; Pat Wills; Christopher Whitson; Jim Archer; Colette Seaward; Steven Kelly; Gerard Rea; Barney & Rosie Thompson; John Thompson; Bernard Thompson; Audrey Doyle

ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO THEM O LORD

MASSES FOR THE FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION - SATURDAY 15TH AUGUST

Holy Family Church - 11am
St Therese Church - 7pm Vigil and 10am
Please note, Saturday evening Masses remain unchanged

FEAST DAYS IN THE COMING FORTNIGHT

Sun 09th - St Nathy, bishop & St Felim, bishop Mon 10th - St Lawrence, deacon and martyr

Tues 11th - St Clare, virgin

Wed 12th - St Muredach, St Attracta & St Lelia

Thurs 13th - St Fachtna, bishop

Fri 14th - St Maximilian Kolbe, priest and martyr

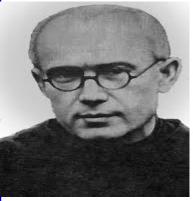
Sat 15th Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Mon 17th - Our Lady of Knock

The story of Knock began on 21st August 1879, when Our Lady, St Joseph and St John the Evangelist appeared at the south gable of

Knock parish church. This miraculous apparition was witnessed by fifteen

people, young and old. Knock is an internationally recognised Marian shrine, and was visited by St John Paul II, as part of his 1979 papal pilgrimage to Ireland. The date of the memorial is within the annual novena conducted at the Shrine.



DID YOU KNOW.....

Maximilian Kolbe (1894-1941) was a Polish Conventual Franciscan friar, who volunteered to die in place of a stranger, in the German death camp of Auschwitz, during WWII. He was active in promoting the veneration of Our Lady, and is patron saint of drug addicts, prisoners, families, journalists and the pro-life movement. St John Paul II declared him "The Patron Saint of our Difficult Century".

ANNIVERSARY MASSES IN THE COMING FORTNIGHT

HOLY FAMILY ST THERESE CHURCH

Tues 11th (9.15am) Mary Gribben Wed 12th (10am) Christopher Whitson Sat 15th (11am) Colette Seaward Fri 14th (10am) Jim Archer Mon 17th (9.15am) Steven Kelly Sat 15th (10am) Audrey Doyle

PLEASE NOTE, THERE WILL BE NO BULLETIN NEXT SUNDAY 16TH AUGUST

OFFERTORY PROMISE COLLECTION

The total Offertory Promise Collection for Sunday 02nd August amounted to £3772.23 and the priests' stipend, for the support of the priests of the Parish came to £2681.88 Many thanks to all those who contributed.

PERPETUAL ADORATION (HOLY FAMILY & ST THERESE)

Extra adorers always welcome, please contact the Parish Office. Additional help is especially required for August, as people take their holiday. Every hour helps, so please contact the Parish Office. Adorers urgently required Wed morning 6am-7am in St Therese Church.



GERRY'S COUNTRY & WESTERN SHOW

In the Lansdowne Hotel, Friday 14th August at 8pm. Cost £10, and proceeds will go to the Northern Ireland Hospice. For tickets, contact Pauline 07873617953.

RETIRED TEACHERS URGENTLY NEEDED, ONE MORNING PER WEEK, IN WEST, NORTH AND SOUTH BELFAST

Contact Anne at Sólás on 90247600, 07518 915430 or email anne@solasbt7.com.

BOOKS FOR SALE

Saints of our Time, by Fr. John Murray. Price £10. Available from the Parish Office.

PRAYER FOR THOSE AWAITING EXAM RESULTS

Give us peace in our hearts, our bodies, our minds, our souls, as we await patiently, and with confidence, knowing that we will emerge victorious. Let worry, fear and doubt flee at the sound of Your name. We put our utmost faith and trust in You. Amen.

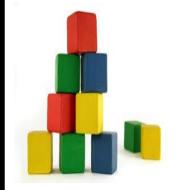


TUITION

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

RESURRECTION NURSERY & PLAYGROUP

Are currently advertising for a part time Playgroup Assistant (afternoons). Email resurrectionhr@gmail.com for an application pack. Closing date 14th August.



HOLY FAMILY PARISH 100 CLUB

BUILDING FUND WEEK 14

£200 - Eileen McQuade, Chichester Park North

£200 - Maire Hughes, Innisfayle Road

£200 - Maura Proctor, Duncoole Park

Promoter's Prize - Betty Magee



NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS (KNOCK, 26-27 SEPT 2015)

The weeks that lead into the celebration of 'Christ our Hope' at the National Eucharistic Congress are paved with the Sunday readings. They call us to renewed reflection on the place of the Eucharist in our lives, on the centrality of God's Word in daily Christian living, the impact of Baptism and the Ephphatha prayer throughout our lives, and the relationship between our good deeds and our faith. In the joys and challenges of daily life Christ is our hope, and nowhere is this more clearly seen than in the ultimate challenge, death. Jesus embodies hope, and is the reason we can live hope-filled lives in every circumstance. This is the Good News we celebrate weekly,

but over the course of the weeks leading up to the National Congress, all are invited to a renewal, or recovery or perhaps even a first personal encounter with the Hope that Christ is, celebrated in the Eucharist.

NATIONAL GRANDPARENTS PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK

Sunday 13th September. Chief celebrant Bishop Brendan Leahy, Bishop of Limerick. 2.30pm - Anointing of the Sick, 3pm - Pilgrimage Mass, followed by the Rosary.

R.C.I.A (THE RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS)

Starting 2nd October, Contact Fr. James Boyle or Anne McCrossan - 90320482 or email: administratorof-stmarys@btinternet.com.

MASS IN THE EXTRAORDINARY FORM

In St Therese Church today, Sunday 09th at 6pm and on Tuesday 18th at 7pm. Missals in English and Latin are available.

TO ALL HOLIDAYMAKERS

Don't forget that, no matter where your travels take you, you can go online at holy-familyparish.com, and follow Mass in Holy Family Church. Safe travelling.

THE FAITH AND LIFE CONVENTION - "WHAT HOPE FOR FAITH?"

Sat 26th Sept 2015 in Our Lady and St. Patrick's College, Knock, from 10am. Comments from last year's delegates include "very worthwhile and enriching", "an excellent day of togetherness" and "a thoroughly excellent event, vital for the future development and growth of our faith in this diocese". Online booking, including a choice of 20 workshops at www.faithandlifeconvention.org.



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