

HOLY FAMILY PARISH



14 June 2015

11th Sunday of the Year

Sundays: Cycle B

Weekdays: 1 Psalter Week 3

OF ITS OWN ACCORD

There is a mystery at the heart of the first parable told by Jesus in today's Gospel. It is contained in a simple phrase: 'how, he does not know'. The farmer in the parable plants the seed and witnesses it sprouting and growing. Although he doesn't understand how it is happening, he is grateful and he is ready when the crop is ready. He 'loses no time' when it comes to reaping the harvest.

Like the farmer, we are aware that life can be full of mystery. Events unfold all around us, and we do not always understand how or why things happen as they do. Sometimes we can see God's hand in our lives, and sometimes it is all a bit more difficult to get our heads around. Do we recognise blessings when they find us, and are we ready to welcome them with joy and to learn from them?

Jesus precedes this parable by saying: 'This is what the kingdom of God is like'. These parables of seeds and growth remind us that God is at work in us and all around us, even when we are not aware of it. If we have patience and keep our eyes open, we might just be able to recognise God's blessings in our lives, and to really appreciate them.



PRIESTS OF OUR PARISH

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REST IN PEACE

WE PRAY FOR ALL THOSE WHO DIED RECENTLY:

Charlie O'Brien; Mary Strong

FOR THOSE WHOSE MONTHS MIND OCCURS AT THIS TIME:

Hugh Guiney; Phyllis McGrory

FOR THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARY OCCURS AT THIS TIME:

Eoin & Helen McQuillan; Philomena McLaughlin; Joe Drain; Molly Steele; Gerry Hinds; Agnes & Brian O'Neill; Jim Doran; Feilim Martin;

Harry Magee; Patrick McDermott; Edward Bell; Cassie Fitzpatrick; Patrick Sheridan; Eileen Eastwood;

ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO THEM O LORD



Please note, the new Holy Family Parish e-mail address - holyfamily@downandconnor.org

ANNIVERSARY MASSES IN THE COMING WEEK

HOLY FAMILY CHURCH

Mon 15th (9.15am) Patrick McDermott

Tues 16th (9.15am) Edward Bell

Thurs 18th (9.15am) Cassie Fitzpatrick

Sat 20th (6.30pm) Francis & Sarah Campbell

Sat 21st (12 noon) Frank Donaldson

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Mon 15th (10am) Eileen Eastwood)



OFFERTORY PROMISE COLLECTION

The total Offertory Promise Collection for Sunday 07th June amounted to £3649.77 and the Priests' Stipend, for the support of the Priests, came to £3955.02. Many thanks to all who contributed.

JUST ONE HOUR A WEEK OF YOUR TIME - PLEASE!

Long term adorers sought urgently for the following times in St Therese Church: Mon 3am-5am and 8pm-9pm; Tues 6am-7am and 1pm-2pm; Wed 3am-5am, 6am-7am and 9am-10am; Thurs 5am-6am; And... extra Adorers required, to link up with existing Adorers:- Mon 3pm- 4pm; Tues 1pm - 2pm; Wed 3pm - 4pm and 5pm - 6pm; Thurs 1pm - 2pm, 3pm - 4pm; 6pm - 7pm and 8pm - 9pm; Fri 2pm - 3pm and 6pm - 7pm; Sat 3pm - 4pm; Sun 7pm - 8pm

And an Adorer required for Holy Family Church on Mondays 11am - 12 noon

APOSTOLIC WORK

The annual collection for Apostolic Work takes place this week end, 12th and 13th June. All money raised goes to help and support our Missionaries who work so hard in developing countries. Your generosity is always appreciated



DEVELOPING WORLD GROUP

We are serving tea, coffee and treats after all Masses in Holy Family Church next weekend, 20th and 21st June. All proceeds go directly to the Twezimbe Centre in Uganda. We would welcome your support.

FEAST DAYS IN THE COMING WEEK

Saturday 20th June - **The Irish Martyrs**

17 Irish Martyrs, men and women, cleric and lay, put to death for the Catholic faith, between 1579 and 1654, were beatified by St. John Paul 11 in 1992.



CONGRATULATIONS TO THE GIRLS AND BOYS IN YEAR 7 AT HOLY FAMILY PS

The young people have just completed a 6 week programme called 'Building Up' [in partnership with the Irish Bishops Drug Initiative – IBDI] which developed their resilience in coping with tough issues. The programme was linked to the children's Confirmation journey and also involved parents and sponsors. On Tuesday 9th June Father Paul Morely celebrated a Mass of Thanksgiving. The pupils had prepared the Liturgy and participated fully by singing beautifully, reading, bringing up the Offertory gifts and praying. They were truly inspirational, and a credit to their teachers and families. Well done! [You are invited to log on to our new Parish website: www.holy-familyparish.com / **Facebook page** to view photos of this occasion and also the celebration of Father Paul Strain's 30th Anniversary of his Ordination].

SHOWCASE TOUR

WORD of the LORD WinePress publishers invite you to attend a Showcase Tour to celebrate the great talent given to the people of Ireland. 100 people living in Ireland as well as Irish abroad and visitors to Ireland share their thoughts and feelings in a book of songs, poems and prophecies, called 'Ireland's Heartbeat 2015'. DUNCAIRN ARTS CENTRE, NORTH BELFAST, FRIDAY 26TH JUNE, 1P. For more details, see the Showcase Tour poster or contact Katey Moreland 087 123 8774/ wordofthelordwp@gmail.com

ACTION ON HEARING LOSS CLINICS

Newington Day Centre, Mon 15th June, 10.45 am to 12 pm
Ardoyne Library, Wed 27 May, 2pm to 4pm

ORDER OF MALTA IRELAND

The Order of Malta Ambulance Corps are reforming the Belfast Unit. An initial meeting will be held on Saturday June 20th at 10 am in the Mater Hospital board room at which details of the training schedule will be given. If you are interested in joining us please contact Mr. Jimmy Alison Tel: 90615118 for information.

MICHAELA FOUNDATION GIRLS' SUMMER CAMP

St. Mary's University College, Belfast, June 29th – July 3rd

Do you know an amazing girl aged 11-13 who deserves a super summer? Give your girl a week of confidence building, talent exploring and friendship building! Michaela Foundation's trained leaders will deliver 5 days of activities in Fun, Faith, Fashion, Irish and Wellbeing. For more information and to book a space, visit www.michaelafoundation.com



HOLY FAMILY PARISH 100 CLUB - BUILDING FUND WEEK 6

£200 - Phyllis McIlveen, Brookvale Fold

£200 - Siobhan & Denis Mulholland, Brookville Court

£200 - R Brown, Dunmore Drive

PROMOTER'S PRIZE - CONNIE HAWKINS

NB WE ARE STILL LOOKING FOR OUR DIRECT DEBIT MEMBER GILLESPIE!

A QUICK JOURNEY THROUGH THE PSALMS

Sacred Heart Parish Centre at 7pm. Suggested donation £4. Please bring a bible.

Mon 15th June – “HOW LONG LORD? (Psalms 13, 42 and 130)

The evening will introduce you to the psalms (13, 42 and 130) as words you can use for yourself in the ups and downs of your own life. You will find yourself in the company of the psalmists as real people, in the rough and tumble of life...who experienced God with them, and caring about them. Speaker Briege O’Hare.

Mon 22nd June –HOW THE PSALMS ARE USED IN JEWISH WORSHIP

Mon 29th June – THE USE OF PSALMS IN THE WORSHIP OF DIFFERENT DENOMINATIONS AND IN CONTEMPORARY PRAISE



CEMETERY SUNDAYS

Loughshore Parishes - 21st June at 3pm in Our Lady’s Acre Cemetery and 5pm in Greencastle Graveyard.

LATIN MASS

Mass in the Extraordinary Form today Sunday 14th June at 6pm in St Therese Church, and on Tuesday 16th at 7pm, in St Therese Church. Missals in English and Latin are available.

FORTHCOMING PILGRIMAGES FROM PILGRIM CENTRE

KNOCK, 12th,13th, 14th JULY, 3 days, Ballintubber Abbey, Ashford Castle, Attymass, (birth place of Fr. Peyton). Accommodation Knock House Hotel. £185.00

MELLERAY, Ballinspittle, 15th, 16th AUGUST, overnight accommodation hotel.

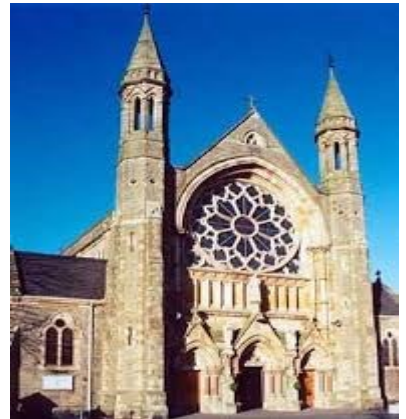
FATIMA, 14th to 21st Sept. Hotel accommodation, half board, airport transfers from Lisbon to Fatima guide provided. £399.00

MEDJUGORIE, 30th Sept to 7th Oct. half board, hotel near St. James Church, airport transfers to Medjugorie. Professional guide.

Contact - 02890 311652 / 1st Floor, Pilgrim Charity Shop, 14 King Street / pilgrimcentre@hotmail.com

CLONARD SOLEMN NOVENA WED 17th - THURS 25th JUNE

The Solemn Novena in Clonard is for the whole family and community, young and old - for those who believe and those in doubt - for those who are rejoicing and those who are struggling - for those who hope and those who despair. Visit Clonard website for times of Novena sessions. Watch Live on webcam at:- www.clonard.com. Follow on Twitter & facebook.



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