

HOLY FAMILY PARISH

19 February 2017 7th Sunday of the Year
Readings: Sunday A 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

Mass in the Extraordinary Form in St Thérèse Church
on Tuesday 21st February at 7pm.

REST IN PEACE

Recently deceased: Kevin Graham; Mary McKeown
Month's Mind: Christopher Matthews
Anniversaries: Susan O'Hara; James Feighan; Jean
Rox; Fr. Brian Hart; Bernie Cunningham & The
Cunningham Family; Catherine McNally (1st); Patrick
Duffy; Maureen Cochrane; James Kelly; Fred
McKeating; Bridie McLaverty; May McNulty; Margaret
Matthews; Deceased members of the Malone &
Doherty Families; Johanna O'Loan; Fr. John
McLaughlin; Geraldine Donaghy; Joseph McCullagh (1st)
ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO THEM O LORD

COLLECTIONS

The **weekly collection** on Sunday 12 Feb came to
£2851.82 and the **priests' stipend** on Sunday 05 Feb,
for the support of the priests in our Parish came to
£3258.21. Many thanks for your continued support.

CONFIRMATIONS 2017

A recording of Holy Family P.S. and St. Thérèse P.S.
Confirmation ceremonies can be viewed online at www.mcmedia.tv. Click Recent Recordings.

100 CLUB BUILDING FUND – WEEK 42

£200 – **P Montague**, Victoria Gardens & **The O'Neill Family**, Alexandra Avenue
£100 – **Mary Comerton**, Duncoole Park & **B McEvoy**,
Upper Cavehill Road
Promoter's Prize – **John McLaverty**
CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL WINNERS!

GIFT [GROWING IN FAITH TOGETHER] 2 - CALLING ALL YEAR 9 YOUNG PEOPLE

The wait is nearly over - our GIFT 2 programme will start
next Wednesday 22nd February, 7 - 9pm in Holy Family
Gathering Space and continue on Wednesday 1st, 8th,
15th, 22nd and 29th March and conclude on Saturday 1st
April at the 6.30pm Vigil Mass. Registration: 6.45pm on
Wednesday 22nd February. Have fun, learn more about
your faith, make new friends, learn new crafts, enjoy music
and song. Come along and bring your friends - we look
forward to seeing you.

TAIZÉ PRAYER AROUND THE CROSS

You are warmly invited to join us for Taizé Prayer Around
The Cross on Friday 24th February at 8pm in Holy Family
Church. An opportunity for quiet, reflective prayer, chant
and rest for the soul. Everyone is very welcome and
refreshments will be served afterwards in the Gathering
Space.

GROUPS AT PARISH CENTRE, CAVEHILL RD

Resurrection Nursery & Playgroup Monday - Friday
Geoff's Yoga Classes Tuesdays (6.30pm), Wednesdays
(10am, 11.30am, 6.30pm and 8pm) and Thursdays (9.30am
and 11am). £20 for 5 weeks. 07759266713.
Parent & Toddlers Mondays and Tuesdays (10am)
Beavers Mondays (7pm)
FitSteps Mondays (8.15pm). Susan -
suspirefitness@gmail.com
Karate Tuesdays (7pm)
Spred Every 2nd Tuesday (7pm)
Adult Irish Dancing Tuesdays (8.30pm)
Crafts/Sewing Wednesdays (10am)
Cubs and Scouts Wednesdays (7pm)
Whist Wednesdays (7.30pm)
Irish Dancing Thursdays (5pm)
Indoor Bowls Thursdays (7pm)

LEGION OF MARY (LOM)

The local praesidium needs members. If you can spare
approx. 2 hours per week, please consider prayerfully
becoming a LOM worker. This invaluable apostolate
reaches those who might not usually attend Church. It
brings the Catholic Faith message to the heart of homes.
The local praesidium meets on Monday evenings at
7.30pm in the Gate Lodge.

REMINDERS

- Cuppa & craic in the Gate Lodge Weds at 9.15am.
- Please register/update your details with the Parish Office.
- Visit the Parish website www.holy-familyparish.com and facebook page. Not forgetting the webcam, which broadcasts all Masses and ceremonies in Holy Family Church.

MASSES IN THE COMING WEEK

HOLY FAMILY

Thurs 23rd (9.15am) **Jean Rox**
Sat 25th (6.30pm) **Harold Scott**
Sun 26th (12 noon) **Alphonsus Quinn**

ST THÉRÈSE

Tues 21st (10am) **Catherine McNally (1st)**
Wed 22nd (10am) **Joseph McCullagh (1st)**
Sat 25th (10am) **Sean Carroll**
Sat 25th (6pm) **Jimmy McGuinness (1st)**
Sun 26th (10.30am) **Francis McNamara**
Sun 26th (12 noon) **Catherine Gallagher**

DIOCESAN CENTENARY PILGRIMAGE TO FATIMA

Led by the Most Reverend Noel Treanor DD. 25 July - 03 Aug
(£709) or 27 July – 03 Aug (£659). Contact Joe Catney on
90714001 or 07776425631.

LIVING YOUTH PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK 2017

3rd – 6th July (£250).

Also....some places left on the Living Youth Habitat for
Humanity Global Village trip to Ethiopia 10 -22 July 2017. For
more information contact info@livingyouthni.org.

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES

Full board in 3* hotel.. 7 nights (10-17 July) for £675 or 5
nights (11-16 July) for £590. Full board for sick or infirm
pilgrims with medical and nursing care in Accueil Notre-Dame:
5 nights (11-16 July) for £490. Youth Team (08-17 July) £550.
Application forms now available from the Parish Office.
Pilgrimage Office 90646040 or lourdes:downandconnor.org.

FRIENDS OF ST THÉRÈSE PILGRIMAGES

To Divine Mercy Shrine in Krakow and Medjugorje. Contact
07514908666/daniel.morgan5@btconnect.com

MEDJUGORJE PILGRIMAGES 2017

Contact 0035314434510 or email
reservations@medirishcentre.com

DIVINE MERCY HOLY HOUR

Church of the Nativity on Thurs 23 February @ 7.30pm.
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, then Mass @ 8pm.

ONE DAY PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK

For the Solemnity of St Joseph – Sunday 19th March, leaving St
Agnes' Church at 7.30am. Contact Patricia on 07946917354 or
Harriet on 07812098991. Cost £15.

GUADALUPE PILGRIMAGE

13th – 23rd November 2017. Flying from Dublin. Cost €2395.
€100 secures a seat. 44830979/jeanreynolds@hotmail.co.uk.

CAN YOU HELP?

The Chernobyl Children Appeal urgently require families to
host children for a three week health break this summer. Please
contact Mairead on 07752399393 (after 7pm).

LENT 2017

Just a reminder that Lent starts on Wednesday 01 March. Please
see the bulletin next week for information re: Lenten Mass,
Trocaire boxes etc.

MEETING OF OVERSEAS VOLUNTEERS & LAY MISSIONARIES

Have you ever volunteered overseas in any kind of profession
or have worked as a lay missionary in Africa, Asia or South
America? Would you like to meet up with like-minded people?
Join us for a special meeting which takes place on Wed Feb
22nd at 7pm at Sacred Heart Parish Centre. For more info email
jim.farrell@amri.ie or phone/text 00353 83 8422468

PRO-LIFE INFORMATION MEETING

Precious Life will be hosting an information evening regarding
the upcoming elections with advice on candidates and their
stance on abortion. This will take place on Thursday 23rd
February @ 7:30pm in The Balmoral Hotel, Blacks Road. All
welcome. For more information contact Precious Life on
02890278484 or email info@preciouslife.com

FEAST DAYS IN THE COMING WEEK

Tues 21st St Peter Damian, bishop and doctor of the Church
Wed 22nd **The Chair of St Peter, Apostle**
Thurs 23rd St Polycarp, bishop and martyr

WHAT IS THE SPIRITUAL SIGNIFICANCE OF THE FEAST THE CHURCH CELEBRATES TODAY?

This is a very ancient tradition, proven to have existed in Rome
since the fourth century. On it we give thanks to God for the
mission he entrusted to the Apostle Peter and his Successors.
recognised as the See of the Successor of Peter, and its Bishop's
"cathedra" represented the mission entrusted to him by Christ
to tend his entire flock. Celebrating the "Chair" of Peter,
therefore, as we are doing today, means attributing a strong
spiritual significance to it, and recognizing it as a privileged sign
of the love of God, the eternal Good Shepherd, who wanted to
gather his whole Church and lead her on the path of salvation
Additional spiritual insights are found in the Scripture readings
for the day.

(Pope Benedict)

CHILDREN'S CORNER

An engineer dies and reports to the Pearly Gates. Saint Peter
checks his file and, not seeing his name there, accidentally sends
him to Hell. It doesn't take long before the engineer becomes
rather dissatisfied with the level of comfort in Hell.

He soon begins to design and build improvements. Soon Hell
has air conditioning, flush toilets and escalators. Obviously, the
engineer is a pretty popular fella.

One day, God calls Satan and says: "So, how are things in Hell?"
Satan replies: "Hey, things are going great. We've got air
conditioning, flush toilets, and escalators. And there's no telling
what this engineer is going to come up with next."

"What!" God exclaims: "You've got an engineer? That's a
mistake - he should never have been sent to Hell. Send him to
me."

"Not a chance," Satan replies: "I like having an engineer on the
staff, and I'm keeping him!" God insists: "Send him back or I'll
sue."

Satan laughs loudly and answers: "Yeah, right, a lawyer. And
where is Heaven going to get one of those?!!!"