

HOLY FAMILY PARISH

North Belfast Pastoral Community

20 May 2018

Pentecost Sunday

Readings: B

Psalter: Week 4



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PARISH MASS TIMES & ADORATION

Holy Family Church

M-F 9.15am, Sat Vigil: 6.30pm, Sun 10am & 12noon

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

Perpetual Adoration: Sun 1pm – Sat 5.45pm

(Eucharistic Adoration urgently requires people in St Therese Church between Midnight and 6am).

Tridentine Mass in St Thérèse, Sundays at 4pm.

Divine Mercy in Holy Family, Fridays at 3pm.

REST IN PEACE

Recently deceased: Ailish Scott & Sheila McGarrity

Month's Mind: Robert Craig

Anniversaries: Mary Service, Mona McConnell, John Salters, Molly Mathews, Felix Brennan, Peggy Watt, Liam Barnes, Rose Braniff, Bernadette Price, Ellen Jane Weatherup, Gerry Steele & Frances Duff

100 CLUB BUILDING FUND

WEEK 2

£200 – Kerry Mulvenna, c/o Somerton Close & Mrs C Pettigrew, Sunningdale Drive

£100 – Mrs McKillop, Old Cavehill Road & Evelyn Markey, Brookvale Fold

Promoter's Prize – Bernie Konrad

Promoters needed please for Rosemount Gardens & Dunmore areas.

COLLECTIONS

The weekly collection for Sun 13/05 was £3164.26 and the collection for Diocesan student priests came to £1347.68. Your generosity is much appreciated.

PARISH FINANCIAL STATEMENT 2017

Available in both Churches this weekend. To request a copy, please contact the Parish Office.

TAIZE PRAYER AROUND THE CROSS -

You are warmly invited to join us for 'Taize Prayer Around The Cross' on Friday 25th May at 8pm in Holy Family Church, Limestone Road. 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.

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTRY OF THE EUCHARIST

We are currently seeking new Ministers for both Churches. Please contact the Parish Office.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION (TEMPORARY)

Needed for Wed 9pm-10pm, for 3-4 months & Wed 6pm-7pm, for 8 weeks. Please contact the Parish Office.

MARY MOTHER OF THE CHURCH

New Feast Day on 21st May. Don't forget to share and tag a photograph of your May altar on social media (e.g. #holyfamilymayaltar).

MASSES IN THE COMING WEEK

HOLY FAMILY

Sat 26th (6.30pm) Austin McCusker & Sally Duffy

Sun 27th (10am) David McCombe (60th)

Sun 27th (12 noon) Frank Donaldson

ST THÉRÈSE

Mon 21st (10am) Rose Braniff

Wed 23rd (10am) Bernadette Price

Fri 25th (10am) Gerry Steele

Sat 26th (10am) Ron Lewis

DEVELOPING WORLD COFFEE MORNING

We are serving tea, coffee and treats in Holy Family Gathering Space after all Masses next weekend, 26th & 27th May. We welcome and appreciate your support. All money raised will go directly to the Twezimbe Centre in Uganda.

FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTIONS

Will start in Holy Family Church Sat 02 June. 3pm Exposition, Rosary, Confessions and Act of Consecration, with Mass at 4pm (this is not a Vigil Mass). All welcome.

CAPELLA CAECILIANA – LOVE DIVINE

We welcome the wonderful and inspiring music of Capella Caeciliana to St Therese Church on Saturday 02nd June at 8pm. Tickets £10 (under 25s free) at the Parish Office/Matchetts and Wellington Place or www.caeciliana.org. An occasion not to be missed!

BLESSING OF THE GRAVES

City Cemetery – today Sunday 20th May at 3pm

CURSILLO 30th ANNIV. IN THE DIOCESE

Renewal Day May 26th, 10am - 4pm at St Bernard's Hall. Mass June 5th at 7:30pm at St Teresa's Church Glen Road. downandconnorcursillo@yahoo.co.uk for information.

WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES 2018



WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES – TICKETS AND REGISTRATION

World Meeting of Families 2018 – Pilgrimage to the Final Mass with Pope Francis (Sunday 26th August, at 3pm)

The North Belfast Pastoral Community are organising a joint pilgrimage, cost £20 per person, which includes:-

1. A ticket to the Sunday Mass (free). 2. Transport to and from the Sunday Mass in the Phoenix Park.

Forms (one per person travelling) available from the Parish Office from Tues 08th. Spaces allocated on a first come, first served basis and confirmed on payment. Tickets and spaces on coaches are for the person named on the form and are non-transferable. Please be advised that:-

-This will be a long day with early departure and late return.

- 3 mile walk (approx.) from the Coach park to the Phoenix Park, stops along the way if people need to rest.

-Bring a foldable seat as there is no seating in the Phoenix Park.

-Bring food and refreshment for the day (There will also be Kiosks / food outlets near the Phoenix Park). **Deadline for the return of forms has been extended for a few days.**

LET'S TALK FAMILY

Join us on Thursday 24th May 2018 at 7.30pm for a conversation on family and community in the Holy Family Gathering Space. With input from key speakers on their experiences volunteering in our local community, including foodbanks, providing Christmas meals, being part of a community choir, starting up a cooperative based on family values, and preparing for marriage, this interdenominational event will explore what it means to experience our local community as family and why family is at the heart of the community.

SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL

The Society of St Vincent de Paul wishes to clarify that it embraces the Church's teachings and upholds Gospel values. Our Rule states that Vincentians are committed to supporting life from conception to its natural earthly end. We endorse the comments made last week by the General President of SVP, Renato Lima de Oliveira, when he described the charity as "a Christian organisation that defends the right to life". Our General President also commented: "We reaffirm our position of defence of life, not only as a Christian duty but, above all, as an attitude to the sacredness of the life of the human being. We defend every stage of life and all the difficulties that it may encounter. We reject all arguments, threats and mechanisms that are contrary to life! We will not build a just society, of peace and prosperity, by admitting the right to kill human beings, especially the most vulnerable and innocent of them."

CLONARD SOLEMN NOVENA TO OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP, BELFAST: 13TH – 21ST JUNE

Applications to volunteer as Eucharistic Ministers, stewards, car park attendants, & cleaners available from Clonard reception. 9044 5950 or reception@clonard.com and return by 01 June.

COUNTDOWN IS ON: 93 DAYS TO GO

EXAM TIME

The Parish family would like to assure everyone taking exams of prayerful support at this time. Every student who participated in the 'Prayer Partner' initiative has the comfort of knowing that they were chosen by another parishioner to support them through prayer for the duration of the examination period. Sincere thanks to the 'Prayer Partners' for their support and generosity to the students. We remind our students that if they are stressed and anxious, they should not struggle alone, but be aware that there is help and support readily available ~ good luck!

NURTURING FAITH IN THE FAMILY

Dromantine, 16th June. Joe & Paula McKeown and Bosco & Lynette will lead us in a day of reflection, prayer and storytelling, focusing on how we can grow in our walk with God within the family setting, how best to nurture the faith of our children. Date: Cost; £35/€40. Registration 9.30am.

REFERENDUM TO REPEAL THE 8TH

We pray that the Holy Spirit will inspire those who vote on 25th May, that they will act to uphold the sanctity of human life, and protection of unborn babies.

WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES ~ PRAYER

God, our Father, we are brothers and sisters in Jesus your Son, one family, in the Spirit of your love. Bless us with the joy of love. Make us patient and kind, gentle and generous, welcoming to those in need. Help us to live your forgiveness and peace. Protect all families with your loving care, especially those for whom we now pray: [We pause and remember family members and others by name....] Increase our faith, strengthen our hope, keep us safe in your love, make us always grateful for the gift of life that we share. This we ask, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Mary, mother and guide, **pray for us.**

Saint Joseph, father and protector, **pray for us.**

Saints Joachim and Anne, **pray for us.**

Saints Louis and Zélie Martin, **pray for us.**

BETHANY BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT

Bethany seeks to help those in our Parish who are bereaved and grieving. If you are interested in this special ministry, contact the Parish Office or Claire Dowds 07557882183, email: bethanybereavementni@gmail.com A full 10 week training course is offered and the next one starts September 2018.

ST MALACHY'S COLLEGE OLD BOYS' ASSOCIATION YOUTH TEAM

Seeking players born 2007. Training Tuesday 8pm-9pm & Thursday 7pm-8pm.. Contact Gary on 07746099812.

CÉILÍ IN ÁRAS MHC REACHTAIN

289 Antrim Road on Saturday 2 June starting at 8pm in aid of NI Chest, Heart and Stroke Association.

ADOPTION

Family Care Adoption Services seeks to recruit adoptive families for babies and young children. Contact 71368592028 or anne.ohagan@familycaresociety.org

CHILDREN'S CORNER

A stallion and a mare where due to get married, but the stallion didn't show up at the church. He got colt feet!!