

# HOLY FAMILY PARISH



21 February 2016

Second Sunday of Lent

Sundays: Cycle C

Psalter Week 2

## JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY

Mercy is no fleeting sentiment, but rather the synthesis of the joyful Good News, a choice and decision on the part of all who desire to put on the “Heart of Jesus”[9] and to be serious followers of the Lord who has asked us to “be merciful even as your heavenly Father is merciful” (Mt 5:48; Lk 6:36). In the words of Father Ermes Ronchi, “Mercy is a scandal for justice, a folly for intelligence, a consolation for us who are debtors. The debt for being alive, the debt for being loved is only repayable by mercy”.

## MERCY DAYS IN ST PATRICK’S CHURCH

- 26th February - **Mercy and Justice** (Gemma Loughran)
- 25th March (Good Friday) - **Stations of the Cross** (Fr. Dominic McGrattan)
- 29th April - **Mercy and Loss** (Fr. Brendan McManus)
- 27th May - **Mercy and Cross/Suffering** (Fr. John Friel)
- 24th June - **Mercy and Indulgence** (Fr. Conor McGrath)
- 29th July - **Mercy and Sickness** (Fr. Thomas McGlynn)
- 26th August - **Mercy and Scripture** (Fr. Paul Fleming)
- 30th September - **Mercy in the Everyday** (Breige O’Hare)
- 28th October - **Mercy and Motherhood** (Eileen Foley)



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### REST IN PEACE

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

Joan McKeown



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

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

Susan O'Hara; James & Margaret O'Hare; Harold Scott; Fr. John McLaughlin;  
Frank Broderick; Fr. Brian Hart; Mary Burns; Ann Hale; Catherine Gallagher; Derry Brady;  
Sean Carroll; Mairead O'Gorman; Geraldine Donaghy

**ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO THEM O LORD**

### SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT

The Catechism of the Catholic Church says that 'The Eucharist commits us to the poor. To receive in truth the Body and Blood of Christ given up for us, we must recognise Christ in the poorest, his brethren.'

**TROCAIRE**  
Working for a Just World

### Reminders

- Early morning Lenten Mass in Holy Family Church at 7.30am, Monday - Friday.
- There are still Trocaire boxes left, so please don't forget to take one home
- Register your short term pledge to abstain from alcohol during Lent - 90894070 or email dandcpioneers@gmail.com with name, address and phone number. Pledge cards in both Churches.
- AND FINALLY.....IT'S STILL NOT TOO LATE TO MAKE YOUR OWN LENTEN PROMISE

### LENTEN TALKS - UNLOCKING THE MYSTERY OF THE BIBLE

Will resume this Sunday at the usual time of 6.30pm.

### LENTEN EVENINGS AT DRUMALIS

Thursday, 25 Feb "Act Justly, Love Tenderly, Walk Humbly..." (Micah 6:8) with Johnston McMaster  
Thursday, 3 Mar "Mercy Matters – A Journey into the Heart of Mercy" with Maria Garvey  
Thursday, 10 Mar "Bring us Home – A Lenten Reflection"; with Hilary Musgrave and Monica Brown  
Contact Drumalis to book a place - Tel 028 28272196/28276455

### TAIZE PRAYER AROUND THE CROSS - JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY

During this Jubilee Year of Mercy you are warmly invited to join us for 'Taize Prayer and Chants on Friday 26th 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.

### BAPTISMS

Welcome, to Holy Family Parish., those babies recently baptised:- **Finbar Michael Doherty; Lauren Rose Gallagher-Lyons; Jackson John Magee; Molly Bride McHenry and Aidan David Merrills.**

### OFFERTORY COLLECTION

The collection for Sunday 21st February amounted to £3246.16. Many thanks to all those who contributed.

### IMPORTANT DATES

**Confirmation** - 10th March in Holy Family Church (Holy Family PS at 11am and St Therese PS at 4pm)

**First Confession** - Holy Family PS 02nd March at 11.30am and St Therese PS 15th March at 1pm

**First Holy Communion** - Holy Family PS 14th May at 10am and St Therese PS 21st May at 10am

### **LIVING YOUTH - MASS REMINDER**

Today Sunday at 5pm (Confessions and Music Practice from 4.30pm) in Holy Family Church. Refreshments after in the Gathering Space. All welcome.



### **CALLING ALL YEAR 9 YOUNG PEOPLE**

Come and join the Parish **GIFT 2** Programme beginning on Wednesday 24th February, 7-9pm, in Holy Family Gathering Space for five Wednesdays. [GIFT - Growing In Faith Together]. Have fun, learn more about your faith, make new friends, learn new crafts, take part in Team Challenge, enjoy music and preparing the Good Friday Stations of the Cross. To register:-

*Holy Family Church* - take a form from the tables in the Gathering Space.

*St Therese Church* - take a form from the notice board inside the Church.

*At school*- ask the Head of the Religious Studies Department for a form

Return your completed form, with £10, to the Parish Office or to the collection at Mass or to your RE teacher. Come along and bring your friends - we look forward to seeing you.

### **SEEKING NEW MINISTERS**

**Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion**, for commissioning on Holy Thursday, 24th March.

**Ministers of the Word**, for Commissioning on Pentecost Sunday, 15th May.

If you feel you would like to be involved in these special Ministries, please contact the Parish Office.

### **ST MALACHY'S COLLEGE OLD BOYS' ASSOCIATION ANNUAL DINNER**

The 90th Annual Dinner of the Association will be held in the College Sixth Form Centre on Fri 11th March, commencing 7.30pm. For further details/reservations, please phone the Dinner Secretary on 90781060.

### **NEWINGTON CREDIT UNION**

Will be hosting an open day on the 29th February. This day is a great opportunity to come in and discuss our full range of services. Not a member? Take a utility/bill statement (from within the past 3 months), with your name and address on it and some photographic ID and we can open your account on the day.

### **JUDO ACADEMY'S NORTH BELFAST DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVE**

Has started in St. Patrick's College (Bearnageeha). It welcomes children from 7 years old to join and learn an exciting Olympic Sport. Improve fitness, balance, coordination and self discipline. Most of all, have some fun! Tuesday evenings 6.00-7.15pm. [www.thejudoacademy.co.uk](http://www.thejudoacademy.co.uk).



### **HOLY FAMILY PARISH 100 CLUB BUILDING FUND WEEK 42**

**£200 - Nuala Prince, Atlantic Avenue**

**£200 - Lily Steele, Alexandra Gardens**

**£200 - Trisha Nolan, c/o Holy Family Folk Choir**

**Promoter's Prize - Claire McCusker**

**CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL!**

## **ANNIVERSARY MASSES IN THE COMING WEEK**

### **HOLY FAMILY**

Wed 24th (9.15am) **Mary Burns**

Thurs 25th (9.15am) **Ann Hale**

Sat 27th (6.30pm) **Alphonsus Quinn (1st)**

Sun 28th (10am) **James Feighan**

Sun 28th (12 noon) **Malone & Doherty Families**

### **ST THERESE**

Sun 28th (10.30am) **Francis McNamara**



## **CALLING ALL 17-35 YEAR OLDS - "GOD THE MERCIFUL ONE AND ME"**

Organised by the Focolare movement, a weekend of prayer and reflection,

11th - 13th March. £35 full board. Booking up to 29th February. Contact [focolareyouthireland@gmail.com](mailto:focolareyouthireland@gmail.com).

## **MATT TALBOT DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE**

In Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Sean McDermott Street, Dublin on Sat 2 April. Concelebrated in the Church at 12.30. Please contact Josephine O'Hagan (90617116) or Mary Holden on (075990606999 or 94423956).

## **ANGLICAN AND ROMAN CATHOLIC RELATIONS: PRESENT STATE AND FUTURE HOPES**

A talk by Rev. Marcus Walker, Deputy Director of the Anglican Centre in Rome. St Malachy's Seminary, 120 Cliftonville Road on Friday 26th February at 8pm. Followed by Qs&As and refreshments. Contact Fr Eddie McGee on 07811144268 or [dcpress@downandconnor.org](mailto:dcpress@downandconnor.org).

## **MERCY DAYS 2016 - MERCY AND JUSTICE**

The next in the series of Mercy Day talks in St Patrick's Church, Donegall Street on Friday 26th February, 7pm - 8pm. "Mercy and Justice" will be delivered by Gemma Loughran.

## **MARY IN THE GOSPEL**

A course facilitated by Elizabeth Lavery beginning on Wednesday 2nd March at 7:30 pm in the Kilmegan Centre in Castlewellan. The course will run for 8 weeks. Cost for 8 weeks is £20. For further information please contact Fr Fleck on 02843751212 or 07841101853.

## **MENTAL HEALTH ISSUES IN THE COMMUNITY**

A series of talks, including "Anxiety & Stress Management" and "What is Depression & What Treatments are Available?" are by Dr. Stephen Critchlow, in Clonard on Tuesday evenings, continuing 16th February, at 7.30pm. Entrance free. Presentation followed by discussion and refreshments, as well as reflection on the associated spiritual issues.

### **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

Diocesan Youth Mass 3rd Sunday of every month at 5 pm

**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 3rd Tuesday of the month at 7.00pm and 2nd Sunday of the month at 6pm

**Perpetual Adoration of the Most Holy Eucharist: Sun 1.00pm - Sat 5.45pm, continuously**