

HOLY FAMILY PARISH



22nd November 2015

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

Sundays: Cycle B

Weekdays: 1 Psalter Week 2

CHRIST THE KING

The Feast of Christ the King is the final Sunday in the liturgical calendar. In the Gospel today, Pilate is concerned with what type of King Jesus is and what kind of Kingdom he is talking about? To understand what type of kingship Jesus is talking about we need to lay aside a lot of the cultural baggage that we have about Kings and Kingdoms. There are no palaces, no pomp and ceremony involved here. Jesus' Kingdom is concerned with justice for the weak and the oppressed.

At our baptism we were each anointed as 'priest, prophet and king' and therefore we share in this kingship that Pilate is wondering about. We are called to show the world that Jesus's followers are concerned with love and service of others; that Jesus' Kingdom is built on a different kind of foundation. With so much brokenness in the world we are called to transformative service. There is no shortage of causes: the refugee crisis; homelessness; climate justice...

At the end of this month, world leaders gather in Paris at 'COP21' to try to come to a universal agreement on addressing climate change. We pray that the 'Kings' and 'Presidents' of this world take strong action to protect our planet. 'We pray for the representatives of the nations meeting in Paris, and in every government everywhere – and all business leaders and consumers – that we will see nature as a magnificent book in which God speaks to us and grants us a glimpse of his infinite beauty and goodness.



PRIESTS OF OUR PARISH

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REST IN PEACE

WE PRAY FOR ALL THOSE WHO DIED RECENTLY:

Patricia Moan

FOR THOSE WHOSE MONTHS MIND OCCURS AT THIS TIME:

Pat Cassidy

FOR THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARY OCCURS AT THIS TIME:

Margaret Trainor; James Ferguson; Irene & Patrick McLaughlin; Frances & Joseph McCambridge; Fr. Pat McCambridge; Michael Hannon; Liam Gilmore; John & Margaret Gilmore; James Greeves; Finbar Madden



ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO THEM O LORD

PARISH
LIFE



BAPTISMS

Welcome, to Holy Family Parish, **Fintan James Largey; Sophia Lily McNerney and Ryan Patrick Nulty.**

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

The collection for Sunday 15th November amounted to £3386.80. The total for the Bishop's Commission will be in next week's bulletin. Many thanks to all those who contributed.

TAIZE PRAYER AROUND THE CROSS

You are warmly invited to join us for 'Taize Prayer Around The Cross' on Friday 27th November 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.

WHEN YOU BUY A TROCAIRE GIFT YOU'RE NOT JUST GIVING. YOU'RE JOINING THE FIGHT FOR JUSTICE

The Developing World Group will be selling the full range of Trocaire Gifts in Holy Family Church Gathering Space after all Masses this weekend, 21-22 November 2015.

RETREAT IN ST THERESE - 28-29 NOVEMBER

Theme: Mercy and Beauty of God. Cathal 07815302563, Stephen 07470459008, Michael 07763418867.

THIRD IN THE SERIES OF BEREAVEMENT TALKS

"Helping Children Through Grief" by Helen Barrie from Barnardo's - Mon 30th Nov at 7.30pm in Holy Family Gathering Space. Refreshments will be served after the talk, and all are most welcome.

ST THERESE GARDEN

We are planning to erect a new fence at the side of the Church, as well as lay some stones. If you have any other suggestions, or would like to make a donation towards the work, please contact the Parish Office.

NO.65 SHOEBOX APPEAL

This year, our Year 11 pupils are organising the Shoebox appeal in the Parish. We are asking Parishioners for their help to kindly purchase some toiletries, hats, gloves and/or toys for the shoeboxes. All donations gratefully received and are due for collection next weekend 28th and 29th November.

OUR PARISH WEBSITE: www.holy-familyparish.com

For information on all aspects of Parish life, photos and news on Facebook, and webcam viewing of all Masses and liturgical celebrations in Holy Family Church. Make sure to tell your friends and family abroad.

SPECIAL CONCERT TO FUNDRAISE FOR THE CHILDREN'S PARISH GIFT PROGRAMME,

Thurs 3rd December at 7.30pm in Holy Family Church. Brendan Dowd and Friends will be performing music from his new CD of original church music "In Him All Things". £5 donation to GIFT at the door. (Children free). Refreshments provided.



CAROL SERVICE - 4 BRIDGES CROSS COMMUNITY INITIATIVE

Parish Centre, Cavehill Road at 7.30pm on Monday 30th November. All are most welcome.

DONATIONS FOR LOCAL HOMELESS PEOPLE FOR CHRISTMAS

Donations can be left in the containers provided in both Churches at Masses this weekend. Sincere thanks.

ANNIVERSARY MASSES IN THE COMING WEEK

HOLY FAMILY

Tues 24th (9.15am) **Michael Anthony Lavery**

Wed 25th (9.15am) **Leo Gilmore**

Sat 28th (6.30pm) **Tom Gillen**

ST THERESE

Mon 23rd (10am) **Brian McCusker**

Fri 27th (10am) **Gloria McBride**

Sun 29th (12 noon) **Sarah Quinn**

HOLY FAMILY OPEN DAYS

1. Holy Family Nursery School Open Day on Wed 9th Dec at 2.30pm

2. Holy Family Primary School Open Day on Fri 11th Dec at 9.30am



NOMINATION FOR NEWINGTON DAY CENTRE

Shortlisted under the Positive Belfast category at this year's Aisling Awards. Awards Fri 27th Nov, judges' visit 19th Nov. We ask for everyone's support in the voting process - <http://belfastmediagroup.com/vote/>. The Day Centre has been supporting older people in the community for over 30 years.

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER VIGIL FOR VOCATIONS TO THE PRIESTHOOD AND RELIGIOUS LIFE

St. Comgall's Church, Bangor Thurs 26th Nov, 7pm – 10pm, Mass at 9pm.

ANNIVERSARY OF THE DEATH OF ST. COLUMBANUS

St. Comgall's church, Bangor at 7.30pm Mon 23rd Nov. Chief celebrant Bishop Anthony Farquhar.

FRANCISCAN SALE OF WORKS

Sat 28th Nov, from 10.30am, in St Peter's Parish Centre (off Albert Street). Tombola, bric-a-brac, raffle, etc.



HOLY FAMILY PARISH 100 CLUB

BUILDING FUND WEEK 29

£200 - Anna O'Hare, Somerton Close

£200 - Maureen Montgomery, c/o Newington Day Centre

£200 - Jean Rox, Brookvale Fold

Promoter's Prize - May McAree



HOLY FAMILY PARISH CHRISTMAS FAIR

Next weekend, Sunday 29th November at 2.30pm, in the Parish Centre, Cavehill Road. Stalls will include the Rickety Wheel, cakes, tombola, bottle stall, toys, bric-a-brac and children's crafts. Not forgetting Santa, and the Grand Draw of course! Contributions of cakes, groceries for hampers, bottles (from shampoo to champagne) for the bottle stall, and items for the tombola, bric-a-brac and toy stalls would be much appreciated.

Smaller items for the Fair can be left in the Parish Office during opening hours (8.30am-2pm Mon-Thurs, 9am - 1.45pm Fri). Larger items may be left in the Parish Centre any time 9am - 4pm on Thursday 26th and Friday 27th, or on Saturday 28th 1pm - 5pm.

Sorry, no clothes please. Cakes are very welcome at the Parish Centre on Saturday, or on Sunday at 2pm.

Reminder -please return all ballot tickets, sold or unsold, to the Parish Office by 12 noon on Friday 27th.



Help raise funds for our Parish by contributing, attending and buying ballot tickets.

We look forward to seeing you there.

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

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