

HOLY FAMILY PARISH



24 May 2015

Pentecost Sunday

Sundays: Cycle B

Weekdays: 1 Psalter Week 4

SHALOM

In the First Reading we hear Luke's dramatic and noisy account of Pentecost – violent wind and tongues of fire. In the Gospel reading, the Spirit comes as a gentle breath.

Whatever form it takes or however we experience the work of the Spirit in our own lives, we can be confident that we are never without the presence of God – Pentecost is that promise realised. We can probably recall times when we were afraid, bewildered and felt like everything was falling apart. Today's Gospel shows us that even in those difficult times, there is always hope.

Jesus came and stood amongst the disciples even though the doors were firmly closed. The peace that he gives them (Shalom) has a much more significant meaning than we first think. It is not simply a good wish. The peace that Jesus offers is a peace that this world cannot offer. It is a peace that comes from a loving relationship with God; a peace of body, of mind and of spirit. Jesus is asking the disciples to be an unending witness to God's love. They (and we) must be for others what Jesus has been for them.

'I flame above the beauty of the fields to signify the earth – the matter from which humanity was made. I shine in the waters to indicate the soul, for, as water suffuses the whole earth, the soul pervades the whole body. I burn in the sun and the moon to denote Wisdom, and the stars are the innumerable words of Wisdom.'

St Hildegard of Bingenpe



PRIESTS OF OUR PARISH

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REST IN PEACE

WE PRAY FOR ALL THOSE WHO DIED RECENTLY:

Phylis McGrory; Eithne Benett; Deirdre Holohan

FOR THOSE WHOSE MONTHS MIND OCCURS AT THIS TIME

FOR THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARY OCCURS AT THIS TIME:

Mary Service; Hugh McManus; Ellen Jane Weatherup; Margaret Haughey; Sarah O’Kane; Isaac Blackham; Mary McAleer; Frances

Mulligan; Felix Brennan; Rita & Tommy Hill; Alex & Mollie McLoughlin;

Michael McBride (1st); Bernadette Price; Ron Lewis; Lily McDonagh; Sally Duffy; Tommy McLaughlin (1st)



ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO THEM O LORD

Parish Mission



PARISH MISSION

We bid farewell to the Ceili Community Mission Team, after an inspiring and spiritually refreshing two weeks, and we thank them for the gifts and graces that they have brought to our Parish. Thank you to all those Parishioners that attended the Mission ceremonies so prayerfully, and a special word of thanks to all those Parishioners, too numerous to name, who worked so hard to make our Mission a great success. We pray that

the blessings we have shared this past fortnight will strengthen and renew us, as we work to live out the Beatitudes in our lives, and in our Parish.

BAPTISMS

Welcome, to Holy Family Parish, **Cameron Francis Clarke**, who was baptised recently.

ANNIVERSARY MASSES IN THE COMING WEEK

HOLY FAMILY CHURCH

Wed 27th (9.15am) **Alex & Mollie McLoughlin**

Sat 30th (6.30pm) **Shaun McGrath**

Sun 31st (10am) **Catherine Mallon (MM)**

Sun 31st (12 noon) Deceased members of the **McBride Family**

ST THERESE CHURCH

Mon 25th (10am) **Sally Duffy**

Thurs 28th (10am) **Tommy McLaughlin (1st)**

Sat 30th (6pm) **Angela & Joseph Ryan and Patricia McAtamney**

Sun 31st (12 noon) **Chantal McKeown**

FATHER ANDREW’S MASS OF THANKSGIVING AND PRESENTATION

Father Paul, Canon Murray, Father Paul and the members of the Social Committee would like to express sincere thanks to everyone who prepared for the celebration, to the huge number of Parishioners who attended the Mass of Thanksgiving and Reception and to everyone who contributed so generously to Father Andrew’s presentation. We were all uplifted and enriched by the joyfulness of the occasion and experienced a tremendous sense of identity, community and belonging in addition to having beautiful memories to treasure. Let us continue to offer Father Andrew our prayerful support and to pray for vocations to the Priesthood.

OFFERTORY PROMISE COLLECTION

The total Offertory Promise Collection for Sunday 17th May amounted to £3563.36 and the collection for the Education of Student Priests came to £1729.13. Many thanks to all who contributed.

PLEASE NOTE, THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED, FOR THE BANK HOLIDAY, ON MONDAY 25TH MAY



TAIZE PRAYER AROUND THE CROSS

You are warmly invited to join us for 'Taize Prayer Around The Cross' on Friday 29th May 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

THE NATIONAL PILGRIM VIRGIN STATUE OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA

We are pleased to have had the statue of Our Lady of Fatima Statue with us in Holy Family Church over the course of the Mission, and will have it for a short while longer. A beautiful hand-carved image, given to Ireland by the Bishop of Fatima, after being blessed by Pope Paul VI in 1967. The statue presently travels throughout Ireland. She has proven time and again to be the catalyst for renewed interest in the message of Fatima. You are welcome to come and say a prayer at the foot of Our Lady.

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

RESURRECTION NURSERY & PLAYGROUP

We are looking for a full time Deputy Leader. For further details and an application pack, e-mail resurrectionhr@gmail.com. NB the closing date has been extended to 12 noon on Friday 29th May.

PRAXIS CARE BEFRIENDING

Volunteers needed to offer 1-2-1 support and companionship to people who are feeling isolated or lonely, as a result of their mental ill-health. Contact Catherine - 90727161 / volunteering@praxiscare.org.uk.

THE PRIESTS IN CONCERT

To celebrate Habitat for Humanity Northern Ireland's 21st Anniversary "The Priests" are performing a fundraising concert in Armagh RC Cathedral on Friday May 29th at 7.30pm. Tickets cost £20 and are available at www.habitatni.co.uk or from the Armagh Parish Office 028 37 52 2813.



NB IF YOU ARE A MR/MRS/MS GILLESPIE AND PAY YOUR 100 CLUB MEMBERSHIP BY DIRECT DEBIT, CAN YOU PLEASE CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE WITH YOUR DETAILS? THANK YOU.



HOLY FAMILY PARISH 100 CLUB - BUILDING FUND WEEK 3

£200 - K Kennedy, Chichester Close

£200 - Mrs Joan MCGrath, Bristol Ave

£200 - Catrina Gallen, Madison Ave

PROMOTER'S PRIZE - ELAINE DOHERTY



LIIVING CHURCH DOWN & CONNOR LOUGH DERG PILGRIMAGE

The third Living Church Lough Derg 3 day Pilgrimage will take place this year from Friday 3rd July to Sunday 5th July 2015. Cost £60.00 and does not include travel to the island. Contact the Living Church Office on 02890690920 or office@livingchurchdc.org, by Friday 12th June. Why not get a group of Holy Family Parishioners to go? Help keep each other awake at night!!

THE YEAR OF ST COLUMBANUS,

Bishop Noel Treanor will lead a Diocesan Pilgrimage to sites associated with St Columbanus - Luxeuil, Bregenz, St Gallen and Bobbio – 24th -31st August. Anyone interested in taking part in the Pilgrimage is asked to contact Kieran Troy (00 353 57 9355050).

ST PATRICK'S MOUNTAIN, SAUL

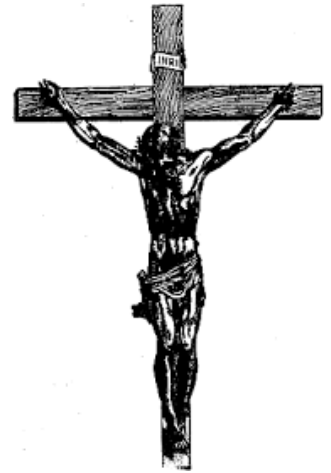
Annual Pilgrimage and Mass on St Patrick's Mountain, Saul will take place on Sunday 14th June at 3.00pm. Bishop Noel Treanor will be the Celebrant.

THE ORDINATION OF THE REV. CONOR MCCARTHY

St Anne's Parish, Finaghy, is hosting a vigil on Wednesday 27th May, to pray for Rev. Conor, whose Ordination will take place on 28th June.

PENTECOST SUNDAY

Ecumenical Service today, Pentecost Sunday, at 7pm in **Sacred Heart Church**. The biblical story gives us a vision of God's people caring for God's world, our home. The power of Pentecost gives us the means to make that vision a reality. The address will be given by Jonny Hanson who is a Christian environmentalist currently working as a stay-at-home dad, carer and part-time PhD student at the University of Cambridge.



CEMETERY SUNDAYS

Milltown - today Sunday 24th May - prayer and blessing of the graves at 3pm (a bus will leave Camberwell Court, Limestone Road, at 2.15pm. To book your seat, phone Anne (90207622).

Hannahstown - Sunday 31st May - Mass in the cemetery grounds at 3pm

St Peter's the Rock - Sunday 07th June at 3pm - prayers and blessing of the graves

Loughshore Parishes - 21st June at 3pm and 5pm in Greencastle Graveyard.

MASS TIMES IN HOLY FAMILY PARISH

Holy Family Church

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