# **HOLY FAMILY PARISH**

25 February 2018 Readings: B Second Sunday of Lent Psalter: Week 2



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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

Website: holy-familyparish.com

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**: Eddie Keenan, Daniel Owens & Brenda Hill

Month's Mind: Joseph Deighan & Sheila Cooper Anniversaries: Eileen Bell, Norah Burns, Alphonsus Quinn, Fr Brian Hart, Joseph Matthews, Mary Burns, Fr Joe McBrearty, Moya Boyle, Francis McNamara, Brian Brady, Kathleen Gibney, Denis Farrelly, Ruth Farrelly-Duffy & Michael McCrudden ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO THEM O LORD

### **COLLECTIONS**

The **weekly collection** on Sun 18 Feb came to £3012.54, the collection for **sick and retired priests** came to £1577.72. Your generosity is appreciated.

# 100 CLUB BUILDING FUND WEEK 43

£200 – J McConnell, Antrim Road & A Campbell, Sunningdale Park North £100 – Tony Killough, Somerton Mews & Teresa McIvor, Atlantic Avenue Promoter's Prize – Ann Largey CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL THE WINNERS!

# PARISH YOUTH FAITH DEVELOPMENT

**St.John Bosco Programme (started Wed 21st Feb @** 7pm in Holy Family Gathering Space). For young people who completed GIFT 3 last year. Fun activities, visits, prayer and faith study. Forms can be completed on the night. Just come on ahead – it's not too late to join. And...

GIFT 3 (starting Wed 21<sup>st</sup> March @ 7pm in Holy Family Gathering Space) For year 10 young people, the programme is filled with fun activities, as well as helping the children learn about themselves and their faith. Forms can be completed on the night. Contact the Parish Office.

### ONE DAY RETREAT ON LOUGH DERG

Save the date - our 3rd Annual Parish One Day Retreat on Lough Derg will be on Sunday 20th May 2018. Further details will follow in the Bulletin after Easter.

### CONFIRMATION

We pray for the p7 children of our Parish who will receive the sacrament of Confirmation in Holy Family Church on Monday 26th Feb:- 11am for Holy Family PS and 4pm for St Therese PS. Anyone unable to attend can view the ceremony online at www.holy-familyparish.com or at www.mcnmedia.tv.

### DAY CENTRE LENTEN CAMPAIGN

We ask you to help us raise £6000 in 6 weeks - donation of £30 (cash or cheque) (or whatever you can afford) to pass on the gift of Day Care to another family, in person at Newington Day Centre, 31-35 Atlantic Avenue, 90351947.

# MASSES IN THE COMING WEEK HOLY FAMILY

Mon 26<sup>th</sup> (9.15am) Joseph Matthews Tues 27<sup>th</sup> (9.15am) Mary Burns Fri 02<sup>nd</sup> (9.15am) Fr Joe McBrearty & Moya Boyle Sat 03<sup>rd</sup> March (6.30pm) Harold Scott (10<sup>th</sup>) Sun 04<sup>th</sup> (10am) James Cromie Sun 04<sup>th</sup> (12 noon) Patrick Aldridge (1<sup>st</sup>)

### ST THÉRÈSE

Wed 28th (10am) Francis McNamara Sat 03rd March (6pm) Eamon Fitzpatrick Sun 04th (10.30am) Jane Crilly (1st) Sun 04th (12 noon) Bernie Cunningham & The Cunningham Family

### FAIR TRADE FORTNIGHT

Fair Trade stall in the Gathering Space after all Masses in Holy Family Church this weekend.

# CELEBRATING SAINT PATRICK'S DAY – SATURDAY 17TH MARCH

Mass times:

Holy Family Church - 9.15 and 11am St. Therese Church - 7pm Vigil and 10am Everyone is warmly invited to Holy Family Gathering Space after the 11am Mass. Come and enjoy a special celebration including Irish Traditional Music, Irish stew (Hospitality Team) and pages for the children to colour.

#### **WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES 2018**



### Parish Family Prayer Service - Sun 4th March

In Holy Family Church, 5-5.30pm, followed by refreshments in the Gathering Space. The special theme for March will be Mothers and all those involved in the Caring Professions. All parishioners, of every age and stage, are warmly invited to come

# Holy Family Parish Care Fair - Saturday 3rd and Sunday 4th March 2018

As part of our preparation for the World Meeting of Families 2018 we want to reach out to parishioners and their families and friends who may be suffering from issues in relation to alcohol and substance misuse as well as the trauma of suicide or self harm. A Care Fair will take place before and after all Masses over the weekend Saturday 3rd and Sunday 4th March in the Holy Family Church Gathering Space. Representatives of several organisations offering information, advice and support to assist people along with their families and friends who may need to talk in confidence or obtain information to assist anyone who may be in distress. Everyone is warmly invited and welcome to drop in to speak to a representative or gather information.

# Octopus for Preemie

Ever thought of becoming an Octopal by knitting or crocheting an octopus or a little hat for premature babies? As part of our preparation for the World Meeting of Families 2018 we would like to offer support to prematurely born babies and their families who may be in distress in their early days of life. Evidence suggests that the comfort of a sterilised knitted octopus may prevent babies from pulling out devices like monitors or tubes and create the feeling of being in the womb and so reduce stress of premature babies. If you are interested in being part of a knitting / crochet circle or individually at home to meet this identified need (supported by the RVH Hospital for Sick Children) please contact the Parish Office for further information. Tel: 90743119

# Mother's Day, Sunday 11th March - Celebrate as one global family in Holy Family Parish!

The breaking of bread together is a reminder to us of Christ, the bread of life who was broken on the cross. "This is my body, broken for you" [1 Corinthians 11:24]. Because of issues like hunger, war or oppression, many people in the developing world share in the same suffering of Christ. You and your family are invited to celebrate Mother's Day at Our Table with breakfast in Ethiopia, lunch in Kenya, dinner in Syria and supper Holy Family style after all Masses on Saturday 10th and Sunday 11th March in Holy Family Gathering Space. As part of this event, you are requested to bring an item of non-perishable food\* which will be donated to the North Belfast Food Bank.\*Suggested items of food include: cereal, tinned tuna, tinned meat, jam, tinned fruit, rice, instant mash, crackers, baby food, tea, coffee (they have sufficient tinned beans, tinned veg, soup)\*Suggested Non-food items include: sponges, hand / baby wipes, laundry powder, nappies, sudocreme, washing up liquid.

**COUNTDOWN IS ON: 177 DAYS TO GO** 

# **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.** 

# **LENT 2018**

## Oremus - Lenten Faith Development Programme

Oremus is a guide to Catholic prayer and provides simple, yet profound steps to an effective and fruitful prayer life. It began **Tues 20th Feb at 7.30pm in Holy Family Church**, running the 6 Tuesdays of Lent. Not too late to join. Workbook £15. This will be a necessary resource to assist your journey. Please contact the Parish Office, or come along on Tuesday night.

# **Early Morning Mass**

Monday-Friday in Lent at 7.30am in Holy Family Church. Readers still required for some days. Contact the Parish Office.

# STUCK FOR A LENTEN RESOLUTION?

# **Prayer:**

Adoration perpetually in St Therese, or Holy Family on Mondays Confession (see bulletin for weekly Confession times)

## Family Prayer:

Grace before meals Family rosary

# Fasting:

From TV, computer games and social media
From the clenched fist—complaining, gossiping, foul language
From meat every Friday (and maybe Wednesday)

### Almsgiving:

Give your time to a voluntary group in our Parish.

Place a Trocaire box in a prominent place in your home.

Donate to St Vincent de Paul after Sunday Mass

### WOMEN'S WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

Fri 2nd March at 2.30 pm Fortwilliam McCrory Church Hall. Light refreshments after the Service. Everyone welcome.

### FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTIONS

March 3rd in St Matthias's Church, Glen Road, from 3pm.

# BLESSED TRINITY COLLEGE JOB VACANCY

Temp/part time Clerical Officer. Contact Brenda on 90370665.

## RESURRECTION NURSERY & PLAYGROUP

Now enrolling for September 2018. Contact Rachael on 90391012 for info. Forms are available at the Nursery.

## CHILDREN'S CORNER

John: Hey Michael, what did you give up for Lent?

Michael: I gave up being cranky and obnoxious...if it's all the same to you!!

WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES 2018