# **HOLY FAMILY PARISH**

26 March 2017 Readings: Sunday A 04th Sunday of Lent Psalter: Week 4



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# PARISH MASSES TIMES & ADORATION Holy Family Church

Mon-Fri: 7.30am (Lent); 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

Tridentine Mass in St Thérèse Sundays at 4pm.

#### **REST IN PEACE**

Anniversaries: Robert Fryers; Eleanor Donaldson; Patrick McMenamin; Betty & Peter McCormick; Frank & Maisie Manning; Thomas Quinn; Brendan Cochrane; Jimmy Hart; Una Madden (1st); Pat O'Neill; Alfie Regan; Jimmy Barrett

ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO THEM O LORD

### **COLLECTIONS**

The **weekly collection** on Sunday 19 March came to £3770.18 and the collection for **sick and retired priests** came to £1158.7.. Thank you for your continued support.

#### PARISH ENVELOPES

The last of the envelopes will be delivered in the coming week. Please contact the Parish Office if you would like to request envelopes for the first time. If you are a UK taxpayer, perhaps you would complete the GIFT AID form enclosed and return to the Parish Office. If you have already done this in previous years, there is no need to do it again this year.

#### TAIZE STATIONS OF THE CROSS

The Lenten Stations of the Cross on Friday 31st March will be at 8.00pm in Holy Family Church. At each Station there will be a Biblical reflection followed by a Taize Chant. Everyone is warmly invited to this special hour of prayer, chant, rest for the soul and mind and an opportunity to prepare for Holy Week. Come along at 8.00pm and bring your friends. Refreshments will be served afterwards.

#### PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO LOUGH DERG

The second Annual Parish one day Pilgrimage to Lough Derg will be on Sunday 20th August 2017. Please save the date in your diary and further details will follow - an ideal opportunity to join with parishioners in visiting this holy island of peace, calm, reflection and hope.

### 100 CLUB BUILDING FUND – WEEK 47

£200 – Mr & Mrs Reid, Glastonbury Ave and Mr J McLaverty, Ashdene Drive

£100 –Pat Cassidy, Shancoole Park and Mr & Mrs McMurray, Lansdowne Road

Promoter's Prize – **Henry McTasney**CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL WINNERS!

# ATTENTION ALL PROMOTERS OF THE 100 CLUB

The Big Draw will take place on Wednesday 12 April 2017 at 2.30pm in the Gathering Space of Holy Family Church. Please ensure that all your members are fully paid up, and the Committee have been informed of any cancellations. If you pay at the Parish Office, please ensure you are paid up.

# PARISH GIFT 2 PROGRAMME [Growing In Faith Together]

Calling all our Year 9 young people - a reminder that the 6th GIFT session will be on Wednesday 29th March, 7-9pm in Holy Family Gathering Space. We look forward to seeing you then for fun, faith and friendship. On Saturday 1st April all the GIFT 2 boys and girls, their families and Leaders are invited to the 6.30pm Vigil Mass in Holy Family Church to mark the completion of the Programme. Checkout the parish Facebook page for photos. Many thanks to the leaders for their time, talents and commitment to the Programme.

#### **REMINDER - FIRST SUNDAY TEAS**

Next weekend, 01 & 02 April, after both Sunday Masses in Holy Family Church, and in No.65 Somerton Road after 10.30am Mass in St Therese Church. Come along for a cuppa and the craic.

# 10th ANNIVERSARY OF THE DEDICATION OF HOLY FAMILY CHURCH

10 years ago this weekend, the newly built Holy Family Church was solemnly dedicated by His Lordship Most Rev. Dr. Patrick Walsh. Copies of the book published to mark the occasion are available in Holy Family Church this weekend and you are invited to take a copy home. We remember on this occasion, to give thanks to God for our Parish, and pray that we may continue to grow as a praying, caring community, centred in Christ.

#### LENT 2017

#### LENTEN FAITH DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

CATHOLICISM: The Pivotal Players continues in Holy Family Church at 7pm on the Mondays of Lent. Come join us as we get to know some of the saints, artists, mystics, and scholars, who shaped the life of the Church.

#### **EARLY MORNING MASS**

Monday-Friday in Lent at 7.30am in Holy Family Church

#### LENTEN PIONEER PLEDGE

Register your short term pledge with local Pioneers or the D and C 90894070 or Ian 90 616601.

Prayer: "I promise in honour of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and with the help of the Blessed Virgin Mary to abstain from all alcoholic drink until the end of Lent."

#### LENTEN RESOLUTION IDEAS

Catholic Truth Society booklets available in each Church, incl. "Finding Peace with Jesus" and "Being a Parent Today".

Why not spend an hour per week in **Eucharistic Adoration**? "Nowhere on earth are you more welcomed, nowhere on earth are you more loved, than by Jesus, living & truly present in the Most Blessed Sacrament".

St. Teresa of Calcutta

And....

If you could help by occasionally covering an hour for an adorer, please contact the Parish office.

"Whoever honours a mother is like someone amassing a fortune." Ecclesiasticus, 3:4. This Mother's Day we pray for mothers around the world who agonise over their children's futures in the harshest environments. We think of Miriam, who appears on this Lent's Trócaire Box, as she wonders if she will manage to get her little daughter Maria to safety when the next storm hits northern Honduras and floods their home. Read Miriam and Maria's story at www.trocaire.org/lent

# MASSES IN THE COMING WEEK HOLY FAMILY

Mon 27th (9.15am) **Frank & Maisie Manning** Thurs 29th (9.15am) **Thomas Quinn** Sun 02nd (10am) **Rose McCaffrey (1st)** Sun 02nd (12 noon) **Bridie Cassidy & Lily Moreland** 

## ST THÉRÈSE

Sat 01st (10am) **Sean Savage** Sat 01st (6pm) **Mary McTaggart (1st)** Sun 02nd (10.30am) **Jane Crilly MM** Sun 02nd (12 noon) **Patrick Aldridge MM** 

#### LITTLE SISTERS OF ASSUMPTION

Mission Appeal in our Parish this weekend. The Little Sisters worked in Belfast for 50 years, including Holy Family Parish..

#### 2017 HOSPICE WALK

Saturdays 01 April, 06 May, 03 June & 10 June. To register, contact 90777123. www.nihospice.org

#### SPRING FORWARD, FALL BACK

Did you remember to set your clocks & watches an hour forward?

# FOCUS ON EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

The role of an Extraordinary Minister is one of service to the Liturgy, the Church and the community. It is assisting the Priest in the distribution of Holy Communion and also in the taking of Holy Communion to the sick and housebound. Many people go through a range of reactions when first asked to consider becoming an Extraordinary Minister - from feeling unworthy to feeling delighted and honoured. Feeling inadequate is not unusual as we are all in need of God's grace and forgiveness and everyone must grow in faith and love. To care for the sick and housebound is to minister to Christ and by taking Holy Communion to them it allows them to feel part of the living members of the Body of Christ, the Church and Parish. If you feel that you could fulfil this ministry then contact the Parish Office. The Co-ordinator will contact you to arrange training and to discuss your availability for specific weekday and/or weekend Masses. Commissioning for this ministry takes place on Holy Thursday at the Mass of the Last Supper and the commitment is made for one year.

#### TRAINING FOR MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST

..in Sacred Heart Parish Centre on Wed 29 March and Wed 05 April at 7.30pm. Each session will last approx. 1 hour, and will be led by Fr Conor McCarthy. Training is especially for new Ministers, but current Ministers are most welcome.

# THE WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES COMES TO IRELAND.

Pope Francis has chosen Dublin to host the next World Meeting of Families in August 2018. [WMOF18]. Started by Saint John Paul II and held every 3 years, this major world event celebrates family as the cornerstone of our lives and the fundamental building block of society and the Church. The theme is: 'The Gospel of the Family: Joy for the World'. Families and others from all over the world will gather in Dublin from 21st - 26th August 2018 to celebrate their lives together, to share their experiences from different parts of the world, to reflect on the different challenges they face and to grow in faith together. Why not add the website to your favourites - www.worldmeeting2018.ie Watch this space for regular updates!

#### THE FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTIONS

Sat 01 April in St Matthias's Church, Glen Road at 3pm.

## DIVINE MERCY HOLY HOUR

Thursday 30 March at 7.30pm in the Church of the Nativity.

### PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK

Sunday 30 April. Bus leaving St Bernard's car park at 7pm. Contact 07972103130. £15 return.

### FORTWILLIAM MUSICAL SOCIETY

"All Shook Up" in Theatre at the Mill, Newtownabbey, 28 March - 1 April. Box office - 90340202.

## CHILDREN'S CORNER

**Q**:What did mummy spider say to baby spider?

A: You spend too much time on the web

Q: What do you call a small mum?

A: Minimum.

**HAPPY MOTHERS' DAY!**