

HOLY FAMILY PARISH

27 November 2016 1st Sunday of Advent
Readings: Sunday A Psalter: Week 1



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PARISH MASSES TIMES & ADORATION

Holy Family Church

Mon-Fri: 9.15am, Sat Vigil: 6.30pm, Sun 10 & 12
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
Holy Mass in the Extraordinary Form 3rd Tues & 2nd
Sun of the month
Perpetual Adoration: Sun 1pm – Sat 5.45pm

REST IN PEACE

Recently deceased: Michael O’Kane; Kathleen D’Arcy; Felix Lenny

Month’s Mind: Patricia O’Reilly

Anniversaries: Martha & Vincent McGhee; Daniel Edgar Wallace; Seamus McMahon (1st); Tom Gillen; Stephen Thomas; Leo Gilmore; Jackie Henry; Lelia McCusker; Des Doherty; William Heffernan

ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO THEM O LORD

COLLECTIONS

The **weekly collection** on Sunday 20 November came to £3576.68 and the collection for the **Bishop’s Commission**, which helps fund the work of the Irish Bishops’ Conference and its agencies, came to £1041.33. Many thanks for your continued support.

100 CLUB BUILDING FUND – WEEK 30

£200 – Claire McCusker, Taunton Ave & P O’Byrne, Somerton Mews

£100 – Mary Craig, Eia St & Paula Curran, Somerton Court

Promoter’s Prize – Mairead McGowan

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL WINNERS!

HOLY FAMILY PARISH CHRISTMAS FAIR TODAY, SUNDAY 27TH 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 Christmas Draw of course! Contributions of cakes, groceries for hampers, bottles (from shampoo to champagne) for the bottle stall and items for the bric-a-brac and toy stalls would be much appreciated. Sorry no clothes please. Cakes are very welcome at the Parish Centre today Sunday before 2pm. Reminder – please bring all ballot tickets, sold or unsold, to the Fair this afternoon, before 3.30pm. Do not put ballot tickets on the collection plate because they cannot be accessed until Monday and you will not be entered into the draw. Help raise funds for our parish by contributing, attending, and buying ballot tickets. We look forward to seeing you there.

FILM SCREENING - ENTERTAINING ANGELS

On Friday 2nd December, 'Entertaining Angels' will be screened in Holy Family Gathering Space at 7.30pm. This is a movie about the 1920's and 1930's social activist Dorothy Day. The film captures much of the real life drama that took place on big city streets as Dorothy Day fought against social injustice and of the very personal trials which eventually led her to convert to Catholicism and dedicate her life to helping the poor. Admission free and refreshments will be served. All very welcome.

HOLY FAMILY PARISH YOUTH CHOIR

To prepare for the Christmas Day 10am Family Mass in Holy Family Church, the Parish Youth Choir will be holding a number of practices, in Holy Family Church from 4pm - 5pm on the following Sundays 4th, 11th and 18th December. All young people, from Primary 3 up to Year 9, are encouraged to come along and take part, to make our Christmas Day Family Mass extra special. If you are a parent or a grandparent, please bring your child along! Everyone is warmly welcome! For further information please contact Mark Mooney.

CONFIRMATION 2017

Pre-sacramental meeting in St Thérèse School – Thursday 01 December at 5pm

Enrolment ceremony in Holy Family Church – Thursday 01 December at 7pm

SANTA'S TEA PARTY, THE COUNTDOWN'S ON!

We are very excited about welcoming Santa and Mrs Claus to Holy Family Gathering Space on Sunday 4th December. Santa will meet and greet children [young and old!] after both the 10am and 12 noon Masses. Please come along and enjoy our festive hospitality. We look forward to seeing you there.

WELCOME HOME FOR CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR!

If a member of your family is coming home for Christmas, we would ask you to let us know, so that we can warmly welcome them to the parish Christmas liturgies. Simply text details of their name, and where they are coming from, to 07884248908, email the Parish Office holyfamily@downandconnor.org or tel. 90743119. We look forward to hearing from you!

SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL

Christmas cards on sale in both Churches.

TROCAIRE GLOBAL GIFTS

The Developing World Group would like to thank parishioners for so generously supporting the sale of Trocaire Global Gifts last weekend, at which £2509 worth of gifts was purchased. Your support is very much appreciated. By purchasing a Trocaire Gift, you help change the lives of many families in the developing world for generations to come. Trocaire Gifts will also be on sale at the parish Christmas Fair this weekend.

NEWINGTON DAY CENTRE

..are hosting an intergenerational concert on Thursday 1st December at Holy Family Parish Centre, Cavehill Road. The event will run between 12noon and 4pm, and lunch will be served at 12noon, followed by entertainment from some of the local schools and local musician David Galway. If you know of an older person who would like to come, please contact Margaret or Louise at the Day Centre on 90651947. The numbers needs to be confirmed for catering purposes.

COLLECT ITEMS FOR THE HOMELESS

(Organised by the Youth Development Team). Whether toothbrushes, scarves, gloves, hats, socks and toiletries, a small item can make a huge difference. Please leave items in the box provided in Holy Family Church. All items must be new please.

MERCY COLLEGE CHRISTMAS FAIR

Saturday 3rd December, 10am – 3pm. Fun for the whole family, and a performance by Cavehill Community Choir.

ECUMENICAL CAROL SERVICE

Congregational singing of Christmas carols and hymns in the Parish Centre, Cavehill Road on Monday 05th December at 7.30pm, followed by tea, coffee and mince pies. All welcome.

KEEP CALM-SLOW DOWN FOR CHRISTMAS

11am- 3pm Clonard Monastery, Sat 26 Nov. Time for you-time for God, gently guided by Breige O’Hare. Bring a packed lunch. Tea/coffee provided. Donation £5. Booking essential. Ring Clonard 90445950 or www.athomewithgod.co.uk

CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT

St Anne’s Cathedral, 09th Dec at 7.30pm. £10 for an adult, £5 for a child (aged 10 – 17, free to under 9s) and £15 for a combined ticket for a person with dementia and their carer. All the proceeds go to dementia vital support and research.

ADVENT DAY OF REFLECTION WITH SEAN GOAN AT TOBAR MUIRE

Sat 10th Dec 10am - 5pm £30 per person includes lunch
Please phone Tobar Mhuire 02844830242 to reserve your place.

FESTIVE FAVOURITES AT DRUMALIS

Fri 16 Dec at 7pm. Voices Chamber Choir under the direction of Loreto McAuley. Festive reception at 7:30 pm and a two-course supper will be served during the interval. Cost for £25 pp (pre-paid ticket only). Contact 2827 2196.

A RENAISSANCE CHRISTMAS

Wed 21st Dec at 7.45pm in St George’s Church, High St, with St George’s Singers. . Tickets £20-Matchett’s or at the door.

OUR LADY OF FATIMA FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTIONS

St.Matthias' Church, Glen Road, Sat 03 Dec at 3pm.
Confession, Rosary, Adoration, Mass, Divine Mercy Chaplet.

NORTHERN IRELAND HOSPICE - LIGHTS TO REMEMBER 2016

The annual Lights ceremony will take place on Tues 20th Dec at Dominican College, Fortwilliam,. Refreshments at 6.30pm followed by the Lights ceremony at 7.30pm. Torchlight procession to Hospice on Somerton Road and the tree lights will be switched on at 8.15pm. To sponsor a light or find out more call 028 9077 7123 or visit nihospice.org

“CALLED & GIFTED” WORKSHOP

Sat 10th Dec (10am - 8pm), in Newry Conference Centre
Cost (Early Bird). £35 by Fri 2nd Dec, Normal Cost: £40 - includes workshop, materials, and lunch! Everyone Welcome.
Contact Milanda Kelly 00353429336649.

ANNIVERSARIES IN THE COMING WEEK HOLY FAMILY

Sun 27th (10am) Daniel Edgar Wallace
Fri 02 Dec (9.15am) Patricia O’Reilly MM
Sat 03rd (6.30pm) Caoimhe McCullough
Sun 04th (10am) Ellen Hannon
Sun 04th (12 noon) John Walls

ST THÉRÈSE

Mon 28th (10am) Leo Gilmore
Wed 30th (10am) Deceased Members of Resurrection Bowling Club
Thurs 01 Dec (10am) Jackie Henry
Fri 02nd (10am) Lelia McCusker
Sat 03rd (10am) Gloria & Carl McBride
Sun 04th (12 noon) Mary Friel MM

CONCLUDING THE JUBILEE OF MERCY 2015-2016

Public lecture and presentation by Dr. Eileen Kane
On “The Mercy of God in Art” today Sun 27th Nov at 4pm
In St. Brigid’s Parish Centre, Derryvolgie Avenue. All welcome - admission free and car parking available.

MEETING FOR RETURNED VOLUNTEERS AND LAY MISSIONARIES

Wed Nov 30th at 7pm at the Sacred Heart Parish Centre.
Contact jim.farrell@amri.ie or phone/text 00 353 83 8422468.

HEALING IN THE SPIRIT

Weekend retreat in Athenry, with Fr Jim McManus CSSR, 09th – 11th Dec. £185, coach leaving Clonard at 12.30pm on Friday 09th. Contact Fr Fonsie Doean - 90445950.

BREFNE NURSERY SCHOOL

Open Day Wednesday 30th November 4pm – 6pm.

ACTUAL ANNOUCEMENTS IN CHURCH BULLETINS!

Ladies, don't forget the rummage sale. It's a chance to get rid of those things not worth keeping around the house. Don't forget your husbands.

Weight Watchers will meet tonight at 7pm. Please use large double door at the side entrance.