

HOLY FAMILY PARISH

North Belfast Pastoral Community
(Holy Cross, Holy Family, Sacred Heart,
St. Patrick's & St. Vincent de Paul)

28 October 2018 30th Sunday of the Year
Readings: B 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

St Thérèse Church

Mon-Sat: 10am, Sat Vigil: 6pm, Sun 10.30 & 12noon.
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.

First Saturday Devotions in Holy Family at 3pm

COLLECTIONS

The weekly collection for Sunday 21st October came to £3257.78 and the Mission Sunday collection was £2167.18. Your generosity is much appreciated.

REST IN PEACE

Recently Deceased: Sheila Lynch & Harry Quinn
Anniversaries: George Taggart, Archie Matthews, Bill O'Connor, Anne Scott, Bridie & Stevie Myers, Bernadette McTasney, Evelyn Laverty (1st), Tom Brady
ETERNAL REST GRANT ONTO THEM

MASSES IN THE COMING WEEK

HOLY FAMILY

Sat 03rd (6.30pm) Vera Duffy MM
Sun 04th (10am) Geraldine Crossey MM
Sun 04th (12 noon) Joseph Benson
ST THERÈSE

Sat 03rd (6pm) Anne Geiger MM
Sun 04th (10.30am) Sheila Reid
Sun 04th (12 noon) Theresa McNally

NOVEMBER – MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS

MASSES FOR ALL SAINTS DAY (THURS 01 NOV)

Holy Family Church – 9.15am & 11am
St Thérèse Church – 7pm Vigil & 10am

ANNUAL MASS FOR THE BEREAVED

In Holy Family Church on Thurs 15th Nov at 7.30pm, followed by refreshments in the Gathering Space. Whilst the friends and family of those that have died this year are especially welcome, all parishioners are invited to attend.

MASSES FOR THE HOLY SOULS

If you wish to have your loved ones who have died remembered in Masses during the month of Nov, fill in their names on the sheets available in both Churches from this weekend and enclose them in the envelopes provided. Please return them as soon as you can, to the silver box at the back of St Thérèse Church or to the Parish Office.

MEMORIAM CARDS

During the month of November, we remember in a very special way our deceased family members, friends and those who have no one to pray for them. You are invited to place Memoriam Cards on the special notice boards in Holy Family Church and St Thérèse Church and to take a few moments to remember and pray for all those souls who have gone before us into eternal life.

MASSES FOR THE DECEASED TEACHERS OF DOWN AND CONNOR – Tuesday 06th November in All Saints Church Ballymena at 7.30pm & Wednesday 07th November in Good Shepherd Church at 7.30pm.

TRÓCAIRE'S ANNUAL REMEMBRANCE MASS FOR DECEASED SUPPORTERS -Saturday 10th November at 6pm in St Malachy's Church.

TOBAR MUIRE RETREAT

Loss and Blessings: A day of prayer, reflection and symbols. Saturday 17th November, 10.30am – 4pm. Led by Brian McKee, £30 (incl. tea/coffee and light lunch).

SHORT TERM PLEDGE FOR NOVEMBER

"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 during November".

100 CLUB BUILDING FUND WEEK 25

£200 – Mrs McCarthy, North Circular Road and Mr & Mrs Dempsey, Fortwilliam Drive
£100 – Ethan McCusker, c/o Taunton Avenue & Janette McGarry, Victoria Gardens
Promoter's Prize – Mairead McGowan

HOLY FAMILY PARISH MISSION 27-29 OCTOBER

Weekend mission led by Fr. Gary Holmes of Missionaries of the Most Holy Eucharistic. Fr Gary will preach at all Masses this weekend, and the Mission will close with a talk and Holy Hour on Mon 29th at 7.30pm in Holy Family Church. Refreshments afterwards in the Gathering Space. All welcome.

LEGION OF MARY

There will be no meeting this coming Monday 29th because of the Mission Holy Hour.

DEACON BRENDAN DOWD

Deacon Brendan will assist in the celebration of the 6pm Vigil Mass on Saturday 3rd November and the 10.30 am and 12 noon Masses on Sunday 4th November in St. Thérèse Church. Refreshments will be served in No 65 Somerton Road after the Sunday morning Masses. Please come along, meet Deacon Brendan and enjoy a chat with him about his role in the Parish.

RESURFACING WORKS ON SOMERTON ROAD

We have been notified that traffic on Somerton Road, between Fortwilliam Park and Somerton Park, will be disrupted on **Wed 31 Oct – Fri 02 Nov, 9am – 4.30pm**, as well as the weekends of **03/04th and 10th/11th Nov, 8am – 4.30pm**. We have arranged for the car park at Blessed Trinity College Antrim Road site to be open to us during these times, accessed from the Antrim Road.

CALLING ALL YEAR 8 YOUNG PEOPLE

Come and join the Parish GIFT 1 Programme beginning on Wed 14th Nov, 7 - 9pm in Holy Family Gathering Space for six Wednesdays. [GIFT - Growing In Faith Together]. Save the dates: Wed 14th, 21st, 28th Nov and 03rd & 10th Dec. Have fun and learn more about your faith through games, cookery, music & song, arts & crafts, as well as a time of prayer and a call to action. Registration is at 6.50pm each evening. Forms available in the Parish Office and in both Churches. We look forward to seeing you - come along and bring your friends.

FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTIONS

..will take place in St Holy Family Church on the 3rd November. 3pm Exposition, Confessions, Rosary and Act of Consecration and 4pm Mass.

HALLOWEEN FAMILY SPOOKTACULAR

27th Belfast Scouts are holding a fireworks party and disco on Wed 31 Oct in the Parish Centre, Cavehill Road, 7.30pm - 9.30pm. Prizes for the best fancy dress. Refreshments available. No charge but donations are welcome to help cover costs

THE BEATITUDES OF POPE FRANCIS

..by Dr. Aidan Donaldson . Copies of the book can be bought from the Parish Office for £7 - an ideal Christmas gift.

THE PRIESTS UNEXPECTED JOURNEY

The Europa Hotel today Sunday 28th at 7.30pm. Tickets £25 - at the door or online - www.ticketmaster.ie Tel: 0844 277 4455 or www.visitbelfast.com - 9024 6609 www.thepriests.org

BELFAST COMMUNITY GOSPEL CHOIR

In St MacNissi's Church Randalstown on Sunday 25th November at 7pm. Tickets £15, £10 conc., £5 child. Contact 94472640.

HOLY FAMILY PARISH CHRISTMAS FAIR

..will be held on Sunday 25th November at 2.30pm in the Parish Centre. Stalls will include Rickety Wheel, Cakes, Tombola, Bottle Stall, Toys, Children's Crafts and Bric-a-Brac....not forgetting Santa and the Grand Draw of course! Contributions of cakes, bottles (from shampoo to champagne), items for the tombola, bric-a-brac and toy stalls, (in good condition please), would be much appreciated. There is always a demand (and queues) for Face Painting at the Fair....can you help? Also, your availability to help set up beforehand, and on the day, would be much appreciated. To volunteer, or for anything else, please contact the Parish Office.

BALLOT TICKETS (in aid of Parish funds) will be distributed after all Masses next weekend, 03rd & 04th November. As ever, there are some wonderful prizes to be won. We would ask however that you only take tickets if you wish to purchase them, and can return the stubs and money, to the Parish Office or the collection plate, by Fri 23rd November.

CHRISTMAS CRAFT FAIR

Sat 10th & Sun 11th Nov, 10am – 4pm in the Parish Centre, Cavehill Road. Admission free. Come along and support local traders and crafters, selling unique handmade goods.

THE MARIAN MONTH OF OCTOBER

Pope Francis invites the faithful to pray the rosary in October, as well as recite the Prayer to Saint Michael.

Prayer to Saint Michael

Blessed Michael the Archangel, defend us in the hour of conflict. Be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God restrain him, we humbly pray, and do thou O Prince of the heavenly Host, by the power of God, thrust Satan down into Hell, and, with him, all the wicked spirits that wander through the world for the ruin of souls. Amen.
(You may be familiar with other versions of this prayer, with slight variations).

ONE DAY KNOCK TRIP – ALL SOULS, 02 NOV

Bus leaves St Agnes Church at 7.30am sharp. Bring packed lunch. 3.00pm Mass, Confession available. Contact Pat on 07946917354 or Harriet on 07812098991. Cost £15.

MARIAN MOVEMENT OF PRIESTS

Regional Cenacle on Sat 03rd November, 10.30am – 4pm in St Peter's Church, The Rock. Lunch in the Ballymac Hotel (£6.95)

LAY DOMINICANS

Meet each month on the second Sunday of the month, at 3pm in 28 Fortwilliam Park. Next meeting on 11th November. New members welcome.

MAKE A DIFFERENCE TO THE HOMELESS

Could you spare a few hours each week for 3-4 weeks, to teach a skill or craft to women in Regina Coeli Hostel? Further details from Sr Marie-Joseph at 90787413.

CHILDREN'S CORNER

There was a house in the town which was avoided by all the townspeople- the ghost which 'lived' there was feared by all. An enterprising journalist decided to get the scoop of the day by photographing the fearsome phantom. When he entered the house, armed with only his camera, the ghost descended upon him, clanking chains. He told the ghost "I mean no harm - I just want your photograph". The ghost was quite happy at this chance to make the headlines - he posed for a number of ghostly shots. The happy journalist rushed back to his dark room, and began developing the photos. Unfortunately, they turned out to be black and underexposed. The moral of the story....The spirit was willing but the flash was weak!!