

HOLY FAMILY PARISH

17 Sept 2017 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Readings: A Psalter: Week 4



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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 & 12

Confessions: Sat 5.15pm – 5.45pm

Perpetual Adoration: Sun 1pm – Sat 5.45pm

Tridentine Mass in St Thérèse Sundays at 4pm.

Divine Mercy in Holy Family Fridays at 3pm

REST IN PEACE

Anniversaries: Jim Keegan; Richard McAree (1st); Gerry Gilfedder; Gerard Murphy; Joe McCann; Charles & Maura McGarrity; Jim Honey; Paul O'Neill; Anna & Frank Greene; Kathleen McKenna; Susan & Gerard Hale; Martin Hill; Rachel Millar; Alfie Dowd & Sally Brown

ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO THEM O LORD

COLLECTIONS

The **weekly collection** on Sunday 10 September came to £3519.11. Your generosity is much appreciated.

REMINDERS

Altar servers needed, from p5 onwards. Contact the Parish Office for an application form.

Coffee in the Gate Lodge, Wednesdays @ 9.30am. Come along and bring a friend

Permanent adorers needed in St Thérèse, Wed 11pm – midnight & Sat 3pm – 4pm (urgent)

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION ANNIVERSARY MASS

EVERYONE WELCOME to come and celebrate the 7th anniversary of our Eucharistic Adoration on FRIDAY 13th OCTOBER. Mass in Holy Family Church at 7.30pm and refreshments will be served afterwards in the Gathering Space.

WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES 2018 - THE COUNTDOWN IS ON - 338 DAYS TO GO! PARISH COMPETITION

Calling all young poets and artists! If you are a pupil in P1 to P7 or Year 8 you are invited to take part in our Parish Competition. You are asked to write a poem or draw a picture on the theme: 'My Family, My Parish'.

- The poem or picture must fit onto an A4 page
- Write your name, age, class and school on the back of the page
- Give your entry to your class teacher or RE teacher
- You can also bring your entry to the Parish Office (8.30am - 2.00pm Mon-Thurs, 9am – 1pm Fri), or put it in the special boxes in Holy Family Gathering Space and the porch of St. Therese Church

- The closing date is Friday 29th September.
- PRIZE: a Family Pass for the Movie House, Cityside (Yorkgate)

All entries will be displayed as a collage in Holy Family Gathering Space and St. Therese Church.

Good luck! Get busy! Get creative! Go for it!

Reminder - to keep up to date with planning for the WMOF18 visit the following websites:

- www.worldmeeting2018.ie
- www.amoris.ie
- facebook.com/wmof2018
- www.holy-familyparish.com/Facebook - for a Thought for the Day and regular updates on parish events

PARISH GIFT 2 [GROWING IN FAITH TOGETHER] - CALLING ALL YEAR 9 YOUNG PEOPLE

The countdown is on! Our Holy Family Parish GIFT 2 programme will start next Wednesday 20th September, 7pm - 9pm in Holy Family Gathering Space and continue on Wednesday 27th September, 4th, 11th, 18th and 25th October. Registration: 6.45pm on Wednesday 20th September in Holy Family Gathering Space.

Have fun, learn more about your faith, make new friends, learn new crafts, enjoy music and song. Come along and bring your friends - we look forward to seeing you.

TAIZE PRAYER AROUND THE CROSS

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

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

Please contact the Parish Office if your child is in p3, p4 or p7 in a non-Parish school, and making their First Confession, First Holy Communion, or Confirmation in 2018.

HOLY FAMILY PARISH FAMILY MASS

..will resume Sunday 01 October at 10am Mass in Holy Family Church. New children's choir members welcome. We are also seeking adult leaders, please contact the Parish Office.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

...has recommenced in both Churches – 10am Mass in Holy Family Church & 10.30am in St Thérèse Church.

PARISH CHOIRS

The choir for **10.30am Mass in St. Thérèse Church** will resume on Sunday 24th September.

Holy Family Parish is seeking a choir director/organist for the 4-part choir at the **12.00 noon Mass in Holy Family Church** on Sundays. Organ lessons and liturgical guidance could be provided for a competent pianist who is interested in the position. Interested applicants should contact the Parish office on 90743119 for further details.

TOOLS FOR SOLIDARITY

...will host a fundraising coffee morning next weekend, 23 & 24 Sept, after all masses in Holy Family Church. Tools is a Belfast based voluntary, charitable organisation that refurbishes hand tools and sewing machines to ship out to East Africa, helping people living in rural areas to become more self-sufficient. Money raised will go towards shipping costs so any donations will be greatly appreciated. There will also be an information stall, where people can come along and meet our volunteers and learn about our work

SAVE THE DATE... VISIT TO GLASNEVIN CEMETERY

The Social Committee is planning a one day visit to Glasnevin Cemetery on Wednesday 25th October. The tour of the Cemetery will last for 1.5 hours with an option to also visit the Glasnevin Cemetery Museum and the adjoining National Botanic Gardens. There will be a Morning Coffee stop at Applegreen and dinner in the City North Hotel en route home. Full details will follow.

FAITH AND LIFE CONVENTION 2017

"Faith in the Family" – Saturday 30th September in Our Lady and St Patrick's College, Knock, beginning at 10am. Online booking at: www.faithandlifeconvention.org

LAY DOMINICANS

Meet each month in 28 Fortwilliam Park. Next meeting today Sunday 17th September at 3pm. New members welcome.

FUNDRAISER FOR SR. PATRICIA SPEIGHT

..on Sat 30 Sept in Cliftonville Bowling Club, to help with much needed funds for her Franciscan missionary work. Special guest Jim Brown, appearing at 8.15pm sharp. Tickets £7, from Wineflair, Antrim Road, or contact 90741345/07895753604.

LOSS AND BLESSINGS DAY

In Tobar Mhuire, Crossgar, Sat 11th Nov, 10.30am - 4pm. Price £30, which includes tea/coffee and light lunch.

NORTH BELFAST HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Thurs 21 Sept at 7.45pm in St Peter's Church (McCullum Halls), Antrim Road. Subject – Constance Markiewicz and Hugh Lane. Led by Clive Scouler.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE

Wed 27th Sept - Sun 5th Nov, a focused 40 Day campaign to end abortion. 9027 8484 or info@preciouslife.com

BOTH LIVES MATTER

Sign the petition at <https://bothlivesmatter.org/take-action>

THE LAMB OF GOD COMMUNITY

...is celebrating 40 years of presence in north Belfast. You are warmly invited to Shalom House, 12 Cliftonville Road, on Sunday September 24th, 1pm – 5pm. Hear about the Community and view the house. Light refreshments available.

BEGINNING EXPERIENCE

Are you suffering the pain of loss of a partner? Looking for help and understanding? Beginning Experience (a support group for widowed, separated and divorced people) meets every Wednesday evening from 8pm to 10pm in St Bride's Hall, Derryvolgie Avenue. Info evening: Wed 20th Sept at 8pm. 1st weekly meeting Wed 27th Sept at 8pm. All welcome. Please contact Phil Tel: 028 90 207645 or Marie Tel: 07896119669

MASSSES IN THE COMING WEEK HOLY FAMILY

Mon 18th (9.15am) Gerard Murphy

Tues 19th (9.15am) Rachel Millar

Sat 23rd (6.30pm) Patrick McGahan MM

Sun 24th (10am) Jim & Peter Kerr

Sun 25th (12 noon) Deceased members of the McBride Family

ST THÉRÈSE

Mon 18th (10am) Anna & Frank Greene

Tues 19th (10am) Alfie Dowd

Fri 22nd (10am) Sally Brown

Sat 23rd (6pm) Maureen Hayes

Sun 24th (10.30am) David Parker

Sun 24th (12 noon) Michael Birch

MASS IN A MOMENT

By Margaret Bick

The Lord's Prayer & The Sign of Peace

The Lord's Prayer is one of the Church's treasures. Its reference to daily bread probably inspired the Church to place it within the communion rite. The phrase, "Thy kingdom come," recalls Jesus' words, "I will never drink of this fruit of the vine until the day when I drink it new with you in my Father's kingdom." How often do we consider the fact that these words are fulfilled in our celebration of Eucharist? The petition to be forgiven as we forgive expresses our desire to enter into true communion with the risen Lord and with one another. However, the sign of peace is the assembly's clearest expression of its readiness for sharing in communion, the act that completes the sacramental action, whose goal is the unity of the Church.

SPANISH TUITION

Experienced Spanish tutor - Contact Michael 07910361808

CHILDREN'S CORNER

Daniel was asked, after attending Children's Liturgy, what he had learned. The little boy said, I learned that God's name is "Harold". "Harold....?" asked his mammy. "Who told you God's name was Harold?" "It says it in our prayer book," explained Daniel. "Our father who art in heaven, Harold be thy name!!".