

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

13 February 2022

06th Sunday of the Year

Readings: C

Psalter: Week 2



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Pastoral Community Churches

Holy Cross- V. Rev. John Craven C.P(90748231)

Sacred Heart- Fr Jim Madden O.Praem. (90751543)

St. Patrick's- V. Rev. Eugene O'Neill (90324597)

St. Vincent de Paul - V. Rev. Patrick Devlin (90713401)

WEEKEND MASS

Holy Family Church: 6.30pm Vigil & 11.30am

St Thérèse Church: 6pm Vigil, 10am & noon

MIDWEEK MASS

Holy Family Church: Monday – Friday @ 9.15am

St. Thérèse Church: Monday – Saturday @ 10am

CONFESSION

Holy Family Church: Saturday 5.30pm-6.15pm

St. Thérèse Church: Saturday after 10am Mass

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Worksheets available on the parish website (Young People).

PILGRIM PRAYER WITH DEACON BRENDAN

Every Tuesday night at 8pm on Facebook. **If you are not on Facebook go to the Holy Family website**, scroll down to the bottom and click on the Facebook symbol. For Facebook users simply like the Holy Family Facebook page.

NB THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON TUESDAY 15TH & WEDNESDAY 16TH FEBRUARY

REST IN PEACE

Recently deceased: James Weatherup, Marie Kelly & Danny Doran

Month's Mind: Marie McKenna & Vincent Smith

Anniversaries: Thomas & Mary (30th) Scullion, Abraham Pothen, Gerry Devine, Kathleen McGahan, Eileen Bell, Cara O'Hagan, Ray Sheridan & Margaret Matthews

PARISH WEBCAM

Live streaming of all Masses takes place in Holy Family Church and St. Thérèse Church. For both Churches, click on the Live Webcams button on the Home Page of the Parish website www.holy-familyparish.com.

RECORDINGS

All funerals will be recorded and kept in the Live Webcams section of the website for 2 weeks. Please tell us if you do not want your loved one's funeral recorded.

DIOCESAN PRIVACY POLICY

The Privacy Policy for the Diocese of Down and Connor, including Holy Family Parish, is available in the Safeguarding section of the Parish website. A paper copy may be obtained from the Parish Office if required.

COLLECTION

The **weekly collection** on Sunday 06 February came to £2424.89 and the **monthly collection**, for the support of our priests was £2371.40. Thank you for your contribution.

Will the owner of envelope no. 102 please contact the Parish Office?

100 CLUB BUILDING FUND WEEK 13

£100 – Mr & Mrs McCurdy, Shaneen Park, Brenda Loughran, Lothair Avenue, Brian & Rosaleen McParland, Cooldarragh Park and Sheila McGovern, Sunningdale Park North

Promoter: Frances Privilege

MASSES IN THE COMING WEEK

HOLY FAMILY

Wednesday 16th (9.15am) Eileen Bell

Saturday 19th (6.30pm) Susan O'Hara

Sunday 20th (11.30am) James Feighan

ST. THÉRÈSE

Monday 14th (10am) Vincent Smith MM

Friday 18th (10am) Cara O'Hagan

Saturday 19th (10am) Eddie Keenan

Saturday 19th (6pm) Harold Scott

Sunday 20th (10am) Rosaleen McCambridge

Sunday 20th (noon) John (1st) & Josephine McNicholl

ONLINE BOOKING

NB seats for weekend anniversary Masses are not automatically reserved, and must be booked in the normal way.

AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You.

PARISH PARTNERS IN PRAYER

Please join us this week, as we pray for altar servers. We thank them for their reverent service, and we look forward to welcoming them back to serve God at His holy altar.

COVID-19

Face coverings are legally required when entering and exiting our churches. However the Diocese and Parish strongly recommend the wearing of face coverings at all times, even when seated. This is for everyone's well-being, and to protect the most vulnerable. Thanks for your cooperation.

Funerals & Weddings can take numbers up to the safe COVID capacity of the church, i.e.100 in Holy Family & 80 in St. Thérèse.

Baptism numbers are 16, excluding the celebrant.

NB It is important that you do not attend if you have any symptoms of COVID-19, due to the risk posed to others.

PERMANENT DIACONATE

Bishop Treanor will celebrate the Ordination to Diaconate next Saturday 19 February at 12 noon. Bishop asks that we hold the six ordinandi, as well as their wives and families, in our prayers, as they make final preparations for ordination, to enter into their diaconal ministry. Attendance is by invitation only, and the wider diocesan community is invited to participate online at www.churchservices.tv/stpeterscathedral

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES 2022

13-18 July, 5 nights full board for £685. NB Due to COVID-19, there will be no medical or nursing support, so pilgrims must be able to travel independently, or be accompanied by someone who can provide for all their care and support needs. Application forms from the Parish Office and info from the Pilgrimage Office: 90770162/ lourdes@downandconnor.org. www.downandconnor.org/lourdes.

PRAYER FOR THE CHILD IN THE WOMB

Lord Jesus, you are the source and lover of life. Reawaken in us respect for every human life. Help us to see in each child the marvellous work of our Creator. Open our hearts to welcome every child as a unique and wonderful gift. Guide the work of doctors, nurses and midwives. May the life of a mother and her baby in the womb be equally cherished and respected. Help those who make our laws to uphold the uniqueness and sacredness of every human life, from the first moment of conception to natural death. Give us wisdom and generosity to build a society that cares for all. Together with Mary, your Mother, in whose womb you took on our human nature. Help us to choose life in every decision we take. We ask this in the joyful hope of eternal life with you, and in the communion of the Blessed Trinity. Amen.

ECO CORNER

Laudato Si' – grounding the teaching in our everyday lives Pope Francis' encyclical Laudato Si' highlights the beauty of the earth and our role as stewards of this great gift of creation. To care for our common home, there are many changes that we all need to make, and the first change is a change of heart, an ecological conversion. Join Prof John Barry, Fr Tim Bartlett and Rev Cheryl Meban in conversation as they explore Laudato Si' and how we can each embrace change in our everyday lives to care for the earth. You can attend in person on Thursday 24th Feb at 7pm in St John's Church, Falls Road. Parking available and venue on main bus route. Online viewing at www.stjohnsfallsroad.org

PARISH CENSUS

Many thanks to all our parishioners who have completed a parish registration form. If you registered with the parish before June 2021, it is important that you complete a form, so we can confirm that your personal details are accurate at this time. We have now posted registration forms to those households on our parish database who have not yet updated their details. The form can also be completed online by visiting the parish website at www.holy-familyparish.com and clicking on the 'Parish Census' button on the home page. Thank you to those who returned their forms this week.

ANAM CARA BELFAST

Monthly Parent Evening for bereaved parents on Monday 14th February at 7.30pm in the Crowne Plaza Hotel, Shaw's Bridge. This event is free and open to all bereaved parents. There will also be an online meeting on Monday 21st February at 7pm. To join please ring 028 95213120.

EVANGELIUM

..will host a one-day young adult Apologetics Conference in All Hallows' College, Drumcondra, Dublin on 26th March from 9am. The conference includes Mass, informative talks & workshops by clergy, religious & laity, concluding that evening with a social. The talk topics are on Apologetics, Scripture, Dogma & the Church. The cost including lunch & supper is €38. For details & booking see www.evangelium.ie, "Evangelium Ireland" on Facebook, evangeliumireland@gmail.com or 00353 862189025.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Faith is like Wi-Fi. It's invisible, but it has the power to connect you to what you need.

YOUTH 2000

St Valentine's Ball 2022 on Saturday 19th February. Dinner, raffle, band and DJ and an opportunity to meet many new people from across Ireland. The evening will begin with the celebration of Holy Mass at 4 p.m. in St. Patrick's Cathedral, Armagh and then in The Armagh City Hotel at 7pm. Strictly 18 and over, and ID will be required. Tickets cost €55 and can be purchased only on www.youth2000.ie

FACTS ABOUT ST. VALENTINE

1. The shrine of St. Valentine is in Whitefriars Church, Dublin
2. The alleged skull of St. Valentine is in Rome's Basilica di Santa Maria in Cosmedin.
3. Among many other things, St.Valentine is the patron saint of beekeepers and epilepsy.
4. There are about a dozen St. Valentines, including a pope around AD 827, who served a mere 40 days.

HAPPY ST. VALENTINE'S DAY

CHILDREN'S CORNER

Moses was ready to leave the shop and couldn't find the way out. When he eventually did, he was so excited and shouted, "I can finally Exodus place!"

(Apologies from the Editor!)