

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

08 May 2022  
Readings: C

Good Shepherd Sunday  
Psalter: Week 4



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**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.

**REST IN PEACE**

**Recently deceased:** Callum Fitzsimons, Mary McAree, Peggy Holmes & Mary O'Connor

**Month's Mind:** Janette McGarry, Niall McCullough & Lena Lyons

**Anniversaries:** Michael Gribben, Marie Savage, Edward, Agnes & Alan O'Neill, Frank & Leo McCaughey, Dan & Claire McKillop, Hugh McGrath, Kay Doherty, Helen Deery, Geraldine Elliott, Joy Mathew (1<sup>st</sup>), Michael & Bridie Kerr and Paul Butcher

**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](http://www.holy-familyparish.com).

**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.

**COLLECTIONS**

The **weekly collection** for Sunday 01 May came to £2,251.70 and the **monthly collection**, for the support of our priests came to £2,779.16. Thank you for your contributions.

**APOSTOLIC WORK**

This weekend, Apostolic Work are appealing for support, as its normal fundraising events have been suspended during the pandemic. The Holy Family Apostolic Committee are organising a collection next weekend, 14/15 May, after all Masses in both churches. Envelopes are available this weekend. If you are in a position to help, you can also do this by putting your donation into an envelope marked Apostolic Work, and placing it in the secure boxes inside either church, or in the postbox on the outside wall of Holy Family Church, or give it to a member of the Committee. Cheques should be made payable to Apostolic Work. Your continued support is very much appreciated.

**MASSES IN THE COMING WEEK**

**HOLY FAMILY**

Monday 09<sup>th</sup> May (9.15am) Marie Savage  
Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> (9.15am) Edward, Agnes & Alan O'Neill  
Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> (9.15am) Frank & Leo McCaughey  
Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> (6.30pm) Frank & Maisie Manning  
Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> (11.30am) Jane Walls MM

**ST. THÉRÈSE**

Monday 09<sup>th</sup> (10am) Hugh McGrath  
Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> (10am) Lena Lyons MM  
Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> (noon) James McAtamney

**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.

**100 CLUB BUILDING FUND WEEKS 25**

**£100** – Louise Rooney, Ponsonby Ave; Karen Campbell, c/o Brookvale Fold; Mary Brady, Evewilliam Pk & Grainne McBride, Sunningdale Pk **Promoter:** Rosaleen McParland

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION** ..has resumed, and we are

still welcoming names from those who can commit to an hour 1 day per week. Please contact the Parish Office. (This is a Diocesan shrine for prayer for the priesthood).

**THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK**

“The true measure of a person is how they treat someone who can do them absolutely no good”. Samuel Johnson

### COVID-19 UPDATE

Attending Mass on Sunday and Holy Days of Obligation has, once again, been deemed an essential expression of faith. As always, those whose health is vulnerable, or who are unwell, will not be under any obligation to attend Mass. As a reminder...

please do not attend if you have any symptoms of COVID-19 - the wearing of face coverings and use of hand sanitiser are strongly encouraged

- a section with formal 2m socially distanced seating will be retained in each church, for those who may wish to adopt a more cautious approach – please inform one of the ushers if you wish to avail of this.

### VOCATIONS SUNDAY (Today 08<sup>th</sup> May)

#### World Day of Prayer for Vocations

“The sheep that belong to me listen to my voice”. The 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter is known as Vocations Sunday, or Good Shepherd Sunday, and is dedicated as the World Day of Prayer for Vocations. The Church sets aside this day each year to fulfil Jesus' instruction to “Pray the Lord of the harvest to send labourers into his harvest” (Matthew 9:38).

#### Marian Prayer For Vocations

O Mary, Mother of Jesus and Mother of the Church,  
You know, the struggles, doubts and obstacles  
that those who are discerning a vocation face.  
As you gave your “yes” to the Lord’s call  
Assist those your Son is calling  
to answer Yes to the divine call,  
as you did at the invitation of the angel. Amen.

### BLESSING OF THE GRAVES

**Milltown** Cemetery TODAY Sunday 8 May @ 3pm

**City** Cemetery Sunday 15 May @ 3pm

**Hannahstown** Cemetery Sunday 29 May @ 3pm

### QUB CATHOLIC CHAPLAINCY

Black Tie Golden Jubilee Ball in Belfast City Hall on Friday 10th June at 7pm. Tickets £80 (£50 for students). Table of 10 £800. To book, email catholicchaplaincy@qub.ac.uk.

### LIVING CHURCH Cara Retreat

Are you a parent of a young person with a disability? Parents retreat at Drumalis, 24<sup>th</sup>-25<sup>th</sup> June. Contact Louise at 07922437679 or l.mcquillan@downandconnor.org

### ECO CORNER

Canadian Jesuit Cardinal Michael Czerny has been appointed by Pope Francis as the new leader of the Dicastery for Promoting Integral Human Development, the Vatican department responsible for environmental and other justice issues. In his keynote address during a recent conference, the cardinal stressed the absolute necessity of prioritising solidarity, equality and relationship over individual liberty or corporate interests. "Since there's only one common home, only one planet, then we can't just keep on growing, advancing, speeding faster," Cardinal Czerny said. "And since there's only one human family created by God, we're all siblings, and urgently need to treat each other as such."

### PILGRIMAGES

#### Diocesan Pilgrimage To Lourdes

Full board in hotel: 5 nights (13-18 July) from £685.

For further information contact the Pilgrimage Office on (028) 9077 0162 email: lourdes@downandconnor.org or visit [www.downandconnor.org/Lourdes](http://www.downandconnor.org/Lourdes)

#### Lough Derg

3 day pilgrimages running: 1st June - 15th August. Booking advised. Concessions for students, seniors and groups. 1 day retreats in May and late August -September. Booking essential. [www.loughderg.org](http://www.loughderg.org) or email [info@loughderg.org](mailto:info@loughderg.org) or phone 00353 71 9861518.

### TRÓCAIRE SPRING GALA CONCERT

.at Clonard Monastery on Friday 20th May at 7.30pm, with performances from Margaret Keys, The Priests and St Dominic's Girls' School Choir. Tickets are free of charge but donations will be gratefully received on the night of the concert with all donations matched by the UK government in support of the 2022 Lent Appeal. To reserve tickets, visit [www.eventbrite.co.uk](http://www.eventbrite.co.uk) and search 'Clonard'.

### NO VISIBLE SCAR: COMFORT FOR THOSE BEREAVED

Weekend workshop at Dromantine, with Father Hugh Lagan SMA. Friday 20 May at 5pm - Sunday 22 May at 2pm, cost £220. Contact Louise or Jacinta at 0283082 1964 or email [admin@dromantineconference.com](mailto:admin@dromantineconference.com)

### ROSARY AT THE GROTTOS

The Rosary will be prayed each day during the month of May, at hundreds of grottos around the Island of Ireland. [www.coastalrosaryireland.ie](http://www.coastalrosaryireland.ie) or text to 00353872786552.

### 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.

### CHILDREN'S CORNER

A nursery teacher was walking around her classroom while her students drew pictures. One little girl was scribbling so intently that the teacher asked what she was drawing. The little girl replied, "I'm drawing a picture of Jesus." The teacher said, "Oh honey, nobody really knows for sure what Jesus looked like." The little girl, without missing a beat, responded, "They will in a minute."