

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

11 September 2022

24th Sunday of the Year

Readings: C

Psalter: Week 4



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Pastoral Community Churches

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

Sacred Heart- Fr. Andrew Black (temporary) (90751543)

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

St. Vincent de Paul V. Rev. Vincent Cushnahan (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

... can be found on our parish website, by pressing the 'Readings & Prayer Times' button.

PILGRIM PRAYER WITH DEACON BRENDAN

Every Tuesday night at 8pm on Facebook and on the Holy Family website. For Facebook users simply like the Holy Family Facebook page.

REST IN PEACE

Recently Deceased: James Madden, Christopher Cushinan, Alexander Vernon & Gemma McNally

Month's Mind: VS Poulouse

Anniversaries: Eoin Loughran, Barney Deery, Frank McGoldrick, Kathleen McCrudden, Sheila O'Brien, Patricia O'Hare, Robert Monahan, Mary Quigley, Patrick White, John Blackham, John, Muriel & David Austin, Molly Martin, Jim Keegan, Anne O'Reilly (1st), Mary Collins, Alannah Crawford (1st), Richard Millar, Jimmy Tracey, Brea McDermott & Clarke Family

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.

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** on Sunday 04 September came to £3,388.73, and the **monthly collection**, for the support of our priests, was £1,951.05 Thank you for your contribution.

MASSES IN THE COMING WEEK

HOLY FAMILY

Monday 12th (9.15am) Margaret Gibson

Tuesday 13th (9.15am) Vera Duffy

Thursday 15th (9.15am) VS Poulouse MM (40 days)

Saturday 17th (6.30pm) Oliver Morris MM

Sunday 18th (11.30am) Gerry Gilfedder

ST. THERÈSE

Saturday 17th (10am) Robert Monahan

Saturday 17th (6pm) Kieran Higgins

Sunday 18th (10am) Denis O'Hagan

Sunday 18th (noon) Mary Quigley

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 spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as being already there, and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

We continue to appeal for your help in filling some slots:-
Mondays 1pm – 2pm & 7pm – 8pm; Wednesdays 11am – noon, 4pm – 5pm & 6pm– 7pm; Thursdays 4pm-5pm, 6pm – 7pm & 8pm-9pm; Saturdays 12noon-1pm; 2pm-3pm & 3pm-4pm and Sundays 8pm – 9pm.

Occasional Hours

If you could cover an hour, occasionally, to assist Eucharistic Adoration, please contact the Parish Office.

THE DIOCESES OF EUROPE 'WATCH AND PRAY FOR UKRAINE' WEDNESDAY 14th SEPTEMBER

Eucharistic Adoration for everyone, in the main body of St. Thérèse Church, after 10am Mass, until 10pm. Come, even for a few minutes, to pray for Ukraine.

100 CLUB BUILDING FUND WEEK 43

£100 – Liam Doyle, Evewilliam Park; Lisa O'Kane, Castleton Gardens; Margaret Moreland, Baltic Avenue & Mr. McCoy, Cooldarragh Park. **Promoter** – Marie Murray

STILL SEEKING NEW MEMBERS

Holy Family Folk Group (Saturday Vigil 6.30pm). If interested, please speak to Trisha after Mass.

St Thérèse Folk Group (Sundays At Noon). . If interested, please speak to Claire after Mass.

COVID-19 UPDATE

After a significant increase in COVID-19 infections earlier this summer due to the extremely transmissible Omicron variants, we now appear to have passed the peak of this latest wave. In light of this, we have reviewed our current protocols and have decided that it is appropriate at this point to discontinue the regular sanitisation of our churches. Pre-pandemic arrangements for cleaning will be re-instated. While there is reason to be cautiously optimistic going forward, there is still some uncertainty about the path this pandemic will take as we head into the autumn and winter months. The following precautions therefore will remain in place in line with diocesan guidelines:

- The wearing of face coverings is strongly recommended, in keeping with the current Public Health advice in relation to indoor public places including places of worship
 - The use of hand sanitiser on entering and exiting the church and before using the holy water fonts is strongly recommended
 - The socially distanced sections in both churches will be maintained for those who wish to exercise ongoing caution
 - Ventilation will continue to be maximised
 - The physical Sign of Peace remains suspended and Holy Communion should be received in the hand only
- We will continue to keep the situation under regular review.

COLLECTION FOR FR. STRAIN AND FR. MORELY

Envelopes are still available in both churches, for anyone who wishes to contribute to gifts for Fr. Paul Strain and Fr. Paul Morely. Sealed envelopes can be returned to the collection box in either church, or to the Parish Office, or to the black box on the wall outside the Parish Office. A Thank You Event is being organised - further details to follow

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Tenderness and kindness are not signs of weakness and despair, but manifestations of strength and resolutions.

LOUGH DERG DAY OF PRAYER FOR PEACE IN UKRAINE

Guest Speaker is refugee, Halyna Tesluk, Associate Professor of the Old Testament at The Ukrainian Catholic University. Booking essential. Special discounted rate of €25 for Ukrainian refugees (must be booked by telephone: +353 (0)71 9861518). Full price €45. More information at www.loughderg.org.

BEGINNING EXPERIENCE

A programme of bereavement support in St Bride's Hall, Derryvolgie Avenue on September 24, October 29 and November 26. Booking essential. Contact Phil: 02890 207645 or Marie 07896119669 or email belfastbe@yahoo.com

BLOOD DONATION SESSION

Wednesday 21 September in the Lansdowne Hotel. 12.30pm – 4pm & 5pm – 7.30pm. By appointment only at 08085534653.

ECO CORNER

Living our vocation to be protectors of God's handiwork is essential to a life of virtue; it is not an optional or a secondary aspect of our Christian experience.

SAVE THE DATES

Antiques Sale In Aid Of Parish Funds – Sat 01 October

Come along and support our Parish, at a sale of antiques and collectibles in the Parish Centre, Cavehill Road, on Saturday 01st October, 10am- 4pm. A varied selection of antiques and collectibles will be on sale, and all proceeds will be donated to Holy Family Parish (by a generous parishioner). Tea and coffee will be served.

Parish Christmas Fair – Sunday 04 December @ 2.30pm

If you have any unwanted gifts at home, please hold on to them for us. Details and arrangements to follow. If you volunteered in the past, or would like to volunteer this year, please contact the Parish Office as soon as you can, to facilitate planning.

BOOK LAUNCH IN HOLY FAMILY CHURCH

“Beauty Through Broken Windows: Empowering Edmund Rice’s Vision Today”, co-edited by Holy Family parishioner, Aidan Donaldson. Launched by Jim Deeds on Thursday 15th September at 6pm, in Holy Family Church.

WOMEN’S RETREAT LED BY THE HOME OF THE MOTHER

30th September - 2nd of October in the Frank Duff house, Belfast. To book a place, please call Sarah on 07885267509.

PATHWAYS 2022-2023

Two-year, part-time Adult Faith Development Programme one Saturday per month (10 am – 4:30 pm) from October to June, either in-house at Drumalis, Larne or online via Zoom. Contact 028 28276455/28272196 or maura@drumalis.co.uk www.drumalis.co.uk

THE MEN FOR CHRIST CONFERENCE 2022

Live & exclusive on Radio Maria Ireland on Saturday 17th September from 2pm. Speakers are Fr. Jamie Twohig SAC, John Pridmore, David Quinn and Fr. Marius O'Reilly.

AN INTRODUCTION TO CELTIC SPIRITUALITY

Houben Centre, Ardoyne beginning Tues 13th Sept, 7pm-8pm. Voluntary donation. Booking is required at 02844830242 or via private message via Tobar Mhuire Facebook page.

ANAM CARA BELFAST

Free Monthly Parent Evening for bereaved parents, on Monday 12th September at 7.30pm, in the Crowne Plaza Hotel, Shaw's Bridge. Online meeting on Monday 20th June at 7pm. To join, call 02895213120.

CHILDREN’S CORNER

A boy came late to Mass. Knowing he was usually very prompt, the priest asked afterwards, “Johnny, is there anything wrong?” “No, Father, not really,” he said, “I was going to go fishing, but my dad told me that I needed to get on up and go to Mass.” The priest was very impressed and asked Johnny if his father had explained why it was more important to go to Mass than go fishing. “Yes Father, he did,” Johnny said. “My daddy said he didn’t have enough bait for both of us.”