

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

02 October 2022

27th Sunday of the Year

Readings: C

Psalter: Week 3



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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

On our parish website, press 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: Elizabeth Bradley, Patrick McIlroy & Moira Young **Month's Mind:** James Madden

Anniversaries: Joe McNamee (1st), Teresa & Patrick Monaghan, Frances Gregg (1st), Michael & Rose O'Boyle, Kathleen Gilchrist, Ciaran Carson, Mary Stewart, Joan Boden, Mary Campbell Hann, Pauline Lavery & Vincent Hunt

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

Please contact the Parish Office if your child is in p3, p4 or p7 in a non-Parish school, and wishes to receive the sacrament of First Confession, First Holy Communion, or Confirmation in 2023.

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 25 September came to £1,099.06. Thank you for your contribution.

MASSES IN THE COMING WEEK

HOLY FAMILY

Thursday 06th (9.15am) James Madden MM

Friday 07th (9.15am) Michael & Rose O'Boyle

Sunday 09th (11.30am) Dermot Houston

ST. THÉRÈSE

Saturday 08th (6pm) Gemma McNally MM

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.

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

100 CLUB BUILDING FUND WEEK 46

£100 – Paul Gowdy, c/o Lansdowne Road; Anna Connolly, Innisfayle Park; R. Logan, Madison Avenue & Brian Dunlop, Brookvale Fold. **Promoter** – B. McVeigh

BAPTISMS IN SEPTEMBER

Welcome to the Christian community:- Nimi Tare Danny McGowan Emmanson, Etain Cara Máire Callaghan, Roise Grace Saunders, Connolly Luke Quinn, Elliott Brendan Donaghy, Charlotte Sarah Craig, Myles Paul Kevin Carson & Ellen Paula Carson.

WEDDINGS IN SEPTEMBER

Congratulations to Anne-Marie Frazer & George Weir; Áine Rogan & James McCourt and Mary Carson & Ciaran McIlhatton

POPE'S INTENTION FOR OCTOBER

A Church Open to Everyone

We pray for the Church, ever faithful to, and courageous in, preaching the Gospel; may the Church be a community of solidarity, fraternity and welcome, always living in an atmosphere of synodality.

COVID-19

In line with diocesan guidelines, the following precautions remain in place:

- 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
 - 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
 - The physical Sign of Peace remains suspended and Holy Communion should be received in the hand only.
- Many thanks for your ongoing cooperation.

PARISH THANK YOU EVENT

All our parish community are warmly invited to the Parish Centre, Cavehill Road, on Sunday 16th October at 4pm, when the presentations of gifts from the Parish will be made to Fr. Strain and Fr. Morely. Afternoon Tea will be served on arrival (at 4pm.) We will have the opportunity to acknowledge our sincere thanks and gratitude to Fr. Strain and Fr. Morely, for their dedicated service and commitment to our Parish.

NOTE: We would love to hear from anyone willing to assist in providing some home-baked goods for the event – if you can help, please contact the Parish Office.

HARVEST MASS

On the weekend of the 15th & 16th October, we will celebrate the ending of the season of Creation with a Harvest Mass. It will also commence a weeklong food drive to support our local food banks. Donations can be left in both churches. Understanding that finances are very stretched for all at the moment, even the smallest donation is very much appreciated.

OCTOBER – MONTH OF THE ROSARY

“It is traditional in this month to pray the Rosary at home, within the family. The restrictions of the pandemic have made us come to appreciate all the more this “family” aspect, also from a spiritual point of view. For this reason, I want to encourage everyone to rediscover the beauty of praying the Rosary at home.” Pope Francis, 25th April 2020

ROSARY ON THE COAST

...with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament, praying for “Life and Faith”. Sunday 09th October at 3pm in St. James’s Parish Hall, Whiteabbey. Children welcome. Pilgrim Statue of Our Lady of Fatima will be present.

LEGION OF MARY

The call to evangelise is ongoing. Our Lady is calling out for more workers for the Kingdom. Please consider joining us at 8pm on Tuesdays, in the Church Hall of the Church of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, 577 Antrim Road.

ECO CORNER

Pope Francis has sent prayers to the people in Puerto Rico and the Dominican Republic in the wake of Hurricane Fiona. Archbishop Roberto González Nieves of San Juan, Puerto Rico, earlier this year in a pastoral letter, called for the U.S. territory to convert its electric grid to renewable energy.

PARISH CHRISTMAS FAIR

Sunday 04 December @ 2.30pm in the Parish Centre. Ballot tickets will be distributed after Masses on the weekend of 22nd & 23rd October. Top prizes as follows:-

1. **2 night Classic Manor Break (includes 1 dinner)**
2. **£300 cash**
3. **£200 cash**
4. **20” child’s bicycle & helmet**
5. **£100 toy voucher**

Plus loads more fantastic prizes, including vouchers for family activities, pampering and dining out. We also have a fabulous range of hampers, including turkey & other foods, toys and wine/spirits. 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.

DAY FOR LIFE – TODAY 02 OCTOBER

This year’s theme is “Caring for the Older Person”. We invite people to think again about the value and worth of older persons, and to make practical choices to build bridges between the generations. Saint Joachim and Saint Anne – Pray for us! Day for Life pastoral message in the Latest News section of our parish website, www.holy-familyparish.com

JOB VACANCIES IN DIOCESAN CURIA OFFICE

Executive Support Officer, full time and **Diocesan Assistant Finance Officer (2 posts)**, full time.

www.downandconnor.org or www.communityni.org and at www.nijobs.com. Closing date noon on Thurs 06th October.

RCIA (THE RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS)

October 22 – May 23, meeting weekly in St. Mary’s Church, Chapel Lane, 6.30pm – 8pm, starting 06th October. Contact rcia@downandconnor.org. **Also looking for new members** to assist in this year’s programme. Tel: 07761014607 or email.

PROJECT ZAMBIA

Information evening on Wed 5th October at 7pm in The Devenish Complex, Finaghy Road North. Contact Eadaoin at projectzambiamail@yahoo.ie or 07791 915336. All welcome.

CHRISTMAS CRAFT FAIR

Sat 12th & Sun 13th November, 10am – 4pm in the Parish Centre, Cavehill Road. Admission free. If you are interested in exhibiting, tables are available to purchase now from The Patchwork Goose, Antrim Road. For further info, email infopatchworkgoose@gmail.com

YOUTH 2000 ULSTER RETREAT

In Lough Derg, 14th-16th October, for anyone aged 16-35. As well as music, workshops and prayer, it is time to chill out, meet new people, and find out what it means to be young & Catholic today. Suggested donation £35. www.youth2000.ie

CHILDREN’S CORNER

Q: What did pirates call Noah's boat? **A:** The arrrrrrk.