



Holy Family Parish

A praying, caring community, centred in Christ

A member of the North Belfast Pastoral Community: comprising the parishes of Holy Cross, Holy Family, Sacred Heart, St Patrick's & St Vincent de Paul

MASS SCHEDULE

SUNDAYS

Holy Family Church: 6pm Vigil & 10.30am

St Thérèse of Lisieux Church: 9am & 12noon

WEEKDAYS

Holy Family Church: 9.15am Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday

St Thérèse of Lisieux Church: 10.00am Thursday, Friday & Saturday

RECONCILIATION

Holy Family Church: Saturday 5.15pm-5.45pm

St Thérèse of Lisieux Church: Saturday after 10am Mass

BAPTISMS

(Prior booking via Parish Office)

Holy Family Church: Saturdays at 4pm

St Thérèse of Lisieux Church: Sundays at 1pm

DEVOTIONS

Eucharistic Adoration: Daily 10am-10pm (St Thérèse)

Pilgrim Prayer: Tuesday 8pm on Parish website & Facebook

First Saturday: 10am (Holy Family)

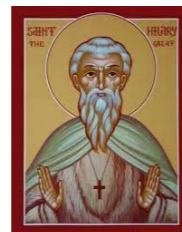
Taizé Prayer: last Friday of the month 8-9pm (Holy Family)

SAINTS OF THE WEEK

Fri. 13: St Hilary, Bishop, Doctor

"No matter how sinful one may have been, if he has devotion to the Mary, it is impossible he will be lost."

- St Hilary of Poitiers



CONTACT INFORMATION

Parish Clergy: Very Rev. Michael Spence PP, Rev. Robert Sloan CC & Rev. Deacon Brendan Dowd

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Webcam: available on Parish website homepage

BAPTISM OF THE LORD

8 January 2023

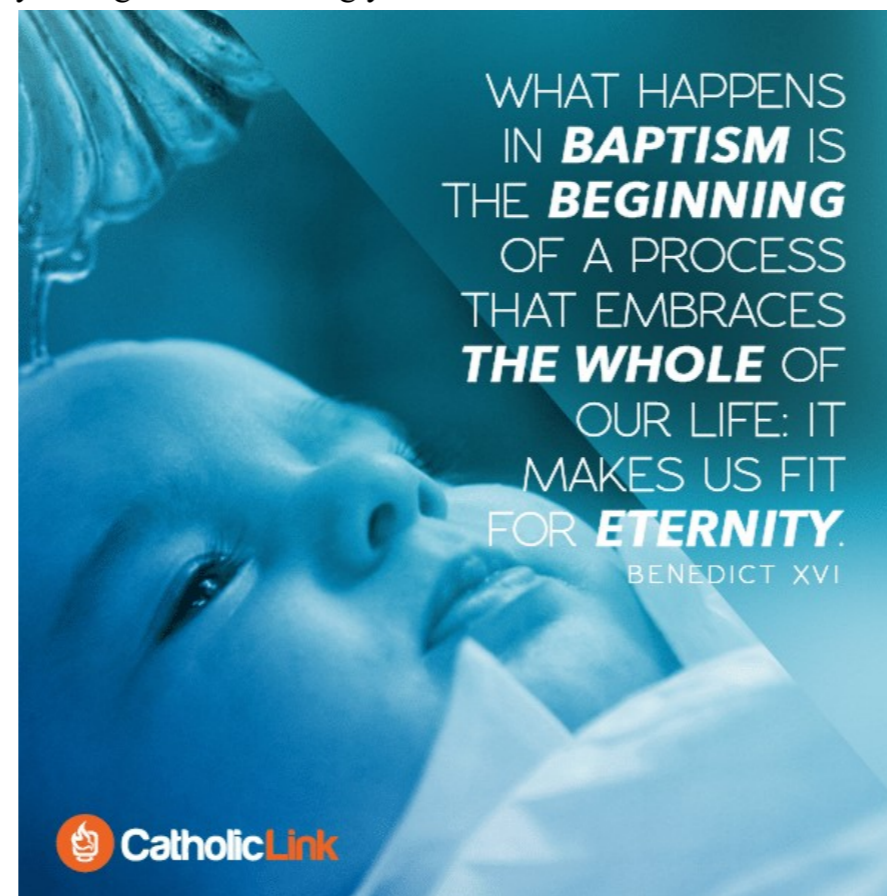
Readings: A (I) ❖ Psalter: Week 1

The Sacrament of Baptism

The Catechism of the Catholic Church expresses her profound understanding of the significance of the Sacrament of Baptism in the opening paragraph on this article of the faith (CCC 1213):

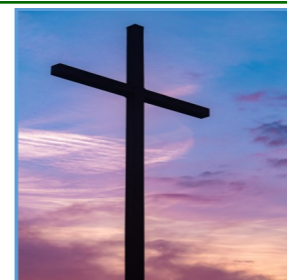
Holy Baptism is the basis of the whole Christian life, the gateway to life in the Spirit (*vitae spiritualis ianua*), and the door, which gives access to the other sacraments. Through Baptism we are freed from sin and reborn as sons and daughters of God; we become members of Christ, are incorporated into the Church and made sharers in her mission: "Baptism is the sacrament of regeneration through water and in the word."

On this feast of Our Lord's Baptism, we celebrate and pray for all who have been baptised throughout the past year in our parish and look forward to welcoming many more into our parish family throughout the coming year.



REST IN PEACE

Recently deceased: Frances Mowbray, Aidan Dolan & Patricia O'Callaghan, Pope Benedict XVI
Month's Mind: May McGuigan
Anniversaries: Terry Donaghy, Patricia McManus, Nuala Murphy, Thomas Kutty Abraham, Danny Marquess, Francis Augustine Eastwood, Elizabeth Cunningham, Charlene Fryers, Dymna Scullion, Sean Faloon, Pat Quail, Una Gallagher, Angela Fitzpatrick, James & Eugene Hart, Ellen McGrory, Luke Salters
Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord!



PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

WEEKLY OFFERING

The weekly offering on 01 January came to £2,452.49, and the monthly collection, for the support of our priests, was £1,269.93. Thank you for your generous contribution and continued support.

BAPTISMAL CELEBRATION EVENT REMINDER (TODAY, SUNDAY)

To all families who had a baby baptised in our parish from end of November 2021 to 20th November 2022, we would be delighted if you would join us for a special celebration of your child's baptism. The event will take place in Holy Family Church at 3pm today (Sunday 08th). Refreshments will be served. Looking forward to welcoming you all!

PARISH 100 CLUB

The Parish 100 Club Draw will commence Thursday 26th January, and new members are welcome. PROMOTERS—please collect your new cards on Monday 09th January, in Holy Family Gathering Space, between 6pm & 7pm.

TRÓCAIRE GIFTS - THANK YOU

Trócaire and the Developing World Group wish to express sincere thanks and appreciation to parishioners for their outstanding generosity to the Trócaire Christmas campaign by contributing £4861.80 in gift sales and donations. Additional Gift Aid of £704.50 brings the total to £5566.30. When you buy a Trócaire Gift of Love, you're not just giving, you are joining the fight for justice and helping to change lives.

UNLOCKING THE MYSTERY OF THE BIBLE

Why not begin the year with learning how to read the Bible, understand it and so draw closer to Christ? Beginning Monday 9th January at 7pm, for 6 weeks, online via Zoom, with retreat February 18th. Cost and materials £30. livingchurch@downandconnor.org or Tel. 90690920.

SCHOOL OPEN NIGHTS

Blessed Trinity College: Tuesday 10th & Wednesday 11th January, from 6.15pm. Principal's address at 7.30pm & 8.15pm.

St. Malachy's College: Wednesday 11th & Thursday 12th January. Principal's address at 7.00pm.

BEGINNING EXPERIENCE

A programme of bereavement support in St Bride's Hall, Derryvolgie Ave. on Jan 21st; Feb 18th & March 18th. Booking essential. Residential in Drumalis, 10-12th March. Phil: 02890 207645 or Marie 07896119669 or email belfastbe@yahoo.com

NI CANCER PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES

Sunday 28 May - Friday 2 June 2023. For further details, contact 078746 88388 or email@nicancerpilgrimage.org.uk

ANAM CARA BELFAST (For bereaved parents)

Meeting Monday 20th June at 7pm in the Crowne Plaza Hotel, Shaw's Bridge. To join please contact 028 95213120.

For more information and resources:

www.holy-familyparish.com

MASS INTENTIONS

Mon 9: Priest's intention
Tue 10: Dymna Scullion
Wed 11: Sean Faloon
Thu 12: Pat Quail
Fri 13: Priest's intention
Sat 14 (10am): Vincent Smith
Sat 14 (6pm): Mark O'Kane
Sun 15 (9am): Priest's intention
Sun 15 (10.30am): Priest's intention
Sun 15 (12Noon): Sheila Cooper

