



# 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)



## REST IN PEACE

**Recently deceased:** Sr. Jacqueline O'Reilly, Maureen Graves, Peter McNicholl, Betty Rafferty & Kevin Vernon  
**Month's Mind:** Tony McBride

**Anniversaries:** Frank Murray, Michael Baker, Tilly Cash, Pat O'Neill, Frank McDonnell, Robert Fryers, Jane Walls (1st), Gretta Hannon (1st), Patrick McMenamin, Charles & Eilish McLaughlin, Roisin Hall, Thomas O'Kane (25th)

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord!*

## CONTACT INFORMATION

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

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**Website & Webcam:** www.holy-familyparish.com

## 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent

26 March 2023 ❖ Readings: A (I) ❖ Psalter: Week 1

## LENTEN DEVOTIONS

**EARLY MORNING MASS:** Monday to Friday at 7.15am in Holy Family

**MORNING PRAYER:** 15mins before Masses Mon-Sat (9.15am & 10am)

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS:** St Thérèse: Fridays after Morning Mass

Holy Family: Fridays at 3pm

### From Pope Francis:

"Today I invite you to think for a moment, in silence, here: where is my interior necrosis? Where is the dead part of my soul? Where is my tomb? Think, for a short moment, all of you in silence. Let us think: what part of the heart can be corrupted because of my attachment to sin, one sin or another? And to remove the stone, to take away the stone of shame and allow the Lord to say to us, as he said to Lazarus: "Come out!". That all our soul might be healed, might be raised by the love of Jesus, by the power of Jesus. He is capable of forgiving us. We all need it! All of us. We are all sinners, but we must be careful not to become corrupt! Sinners we may be, but He forgives us. Let us hear that voice of Jesus who, by the power of God, says to us: "Come out! Leave that tomb you have within you. Come out. I give you life, I give you happiness, I bless you, I want you for myself". (6 April 2014)



Raising of Lazarus, 6th-century, mosaic, church of Sant'Apollinare Nuovo, Ravenna, Italy.



## TROCAIRE 50th ANNIVERSARY PRAYER

We pray for God's blessing on the work of Trócaire. We pray that all people may continue to work together for the respect of our shared human dignity and shared human rights.

We thank God for the partners and generous supporters who have enabled Trócaire to continue their work for over fifty years, empowering communities to work together for a just world. We pray for peace and may that peace be mine and yours, and with all people experiencing crises in our world. Amen.

www.trocaire.org



## PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

**WEEKLY OFFERING.** The weekly offering on Sunday 19th March came to £1867.04, and the collection for Needy Parishes was £890.52. Thank you for your generous contribution and continued support.

**PARISH 100 CLUB.** Week 9 winners: Edward Casey, Jean Henry, Mrs McKeown, Aodhan Miskelly & Adelaide Moreland (Promoter).

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION.** Adorers still needed. If you can spare an hour in your week, please contact the Parish Office for details.

**TAIZÉ PRAYER AROUND THE CROSS.** You are warmly invited to Taizé Prayer Around The Cross on Friday 31st March from 8 - 9pm in Holy Family Church. Everyone is very welcome. Refreshments will be served afterwards in the Gathering Space.

**FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTIONS** In Holy Family Church on 01st April, 10am - Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Confession and Act of Consecration. 11am - Holy Sacrifice of the Mass

**TRÓCAIRE LENTEN FUNDRAISER- PALM SUNDAY** The Developing World Group will serve refreshments after Masses in Holy Family Gathering Space next weekend, in support of the Trócaire Lenten Campaign. Your support will be greatly appreciated.

**DIOCESAN VOCATION RETREAT:** 21 - 23 April in Drumalis, directed by Fr. Stephen Langridge. "Follow Christ, loving as he loved you, giving himself up in our place, as a fragrant offering". Ephesians 5:2.

**SINCERE THANKS** to all those involved in providing Hospitality and Welcome Ministry on St. Patrick's Day and Mother's Day, and to the musicians who enhanced the St. Patrick's Day festivities after Mass. What joyous celebrations in our Parish!

**FOSTER CARE SERVICES AND SUPPORT** If you can spare a weekend, a few days, or more, to make a difference in a child's life, then please contact the Regional Fostering Team at adoptionandfostercare.hscni.net or on 08000720137.

**BOTH LIVES MATTER & THE EVANGELICAL ALLIANCE.** Invite Christian churches across Ireland to join with them in prayer today (Sunday) to celebrate the gift of human life, from the moment of conception.

### Praying with the Scriptures during Lent

Join us in Holy Family Church this Wednesday 7-8pm, for the last session of our course on praying with the Scriptures. This practical and experiential course will introduce us to prayer using the *Lectio Divina* method. You will be most welcome.



For more information and resources:  
www.holy-familyparish.com

## MASS INTENTIONS

Mon 27:	Patrick McMenamin
Tue 28:	Priest's intention
Wed 29:	Charles /Eilish McLaughlin & Roisin Hall
Thu 30: (7.15am)	Thomas O'Kane (25th)
Fri 31:	Priest's intention
Sat 1 (10am):	Priest's intention
Sat 1 (6pm):	Niall McCullough (1st)
Sun 2(9am):	Carmel & Louis Quinn
Sun 2 (10.30am):	Bridie Cassidy & Lily Moreland
Sun 2 (12Noon):	Stacia O'Byrne MM

