

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

SACRAMENT OF 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

Wed. 10: St Comgall, Abbot Sat. 13: Our Lady of Fatima

"My Immaculate Heart will be your refuge and the way that will lead you to God".

- Our Lady of Fatima to Bl. Lucia



CONTACT INFORMATION

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

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5th SUNDAY of EASTER

7 May 2023 A Readings: A (I) Psalter: Week 1

From Pope Francis

This is the decisive sentence of Jesus. Today he says: "I am the way" (14: 6). To ascend to Heaven the way is Jesus: it is to have a living relationship with him, it is to imitate him in love,



it is to follow his steps. And I, a Christian, you, a Christian, each of us Christians, can ask ourselves: "What path do I follow?" There are ways that do not lead to Heaven: the ways of worldliness, the ways of self-assertion, the ways of selfish power. And there is the way of Jesus, the way of humble love, of prayer, of meekness, of trust, of service to others. It is not the way that puts me at the centre, it is the way of Jesus being the centre of my life. It is to go ahead every day asking him: "Jesus, what do you think of my choice? What would you do in this situation, with these people?" It will do us good to ask Jesus, who is the way, for the directions to Heaven. May Our Lady, Queen of Heaven, help us to follow Jesus, who opened Heaven for us. (Regina Caeli, 10.05.20)



PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

WEEKLY OFFERING. The weekly collection on Sunday 30th April amounted to £2,063.37. Thank you for your continued generosity and support.

PARISH 100 CLUB. Week 15 winners: Mary McGrogan, S. Jones, Paul O'Hare, Pat McIlvenna & Ann McConvey (Promoter)

MAY DEVOTIONS During the month of May, we will pray the Rosary 20 minutes before morning Mass on weekdays and Saturdays. All are welcome.

CEMETERY SUNDAY. Milltown Cemetery today @ 3pm.

LAY DOMINICANS meet in Iona House, 28 Fortwilliam Pk at 3pm on 2nd Sunday of every month (rosary & evening prayer). All welcome. Text 07808570281

WORLD YOUTH DAY PILGRIMAGE IN LISBON. With the Derrry & Clogher Dioceses, 25 July - 07 August 2023. Cost €1,150. Contact 02871264087.

FEAST OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA (13 MAY). Rosary at St Mary's Grotto Chapel Lane at 4pm, and at the Grotto at St. Oliver Plunkett's Church, also at 4pm.

BELFAST JESUIT CENTRE – MAY EVENTS. "St Ignatius of Loyola – a Saint for Troubled Times". Sat 20 May 2pm-4pm. "Encountering the Holy Spirit In Our Lives" – Pentecost Retreat (non-residential) on Fri 26 May 7pm-9pm, Sat 27 May 9:30am-5pm & Sun 28 May 9:30am, ending with Pentecost Mass at noon.

ACCORD. Needs marriage preparation facilitators. 90233002/info@accordni.com

PILGRIMAGE TO LOUGH DERG (Living Church). Led by Jim Deeds, 30th June – 02 July. Cost £90. Contact 90690920 / livingchurch@downandconnor.org

PRAYER TO OUR LADY OF FATIMA

O Most Holy Virgin Mary, Queen of the most holy Rosary, you were pleased to appear to the children of Fatima and reveal a glorious message. We implore you, inspire in our hearts a fervent love for the recitation of the Rosary. By meditating on the mysteries of the redemption that are recalled therein may we obtain the graces and virtues that we ask, through the merits of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Redeemer. Amen.

MASS INTENTIONS

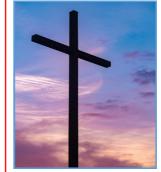
Mon 8: Thomas Markey Tue 9: Marie Savage

Wed 10: Lazarus Vaz RIP (India)
Thu 11: Priest's Intention
Fri 12: Frank & Leo McCaughey
Sat 13 (10am): Priest's Intention

Sat 13 (6pm): Christine Huddleston MM
Sun 14 (9am): Dan & Claire McKillop
Sun 14 (10.30am): Terry McDaid
Sun 14 (12Noon): Jim McGarry MM



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



REST IN PEACE

Recently deceased: Marie Griffin, Lazarus Vaz (India) & Bernard Roonev

Month's Mind: Brian Austin

Anniversaries: Mary Dowd, Bridie & Michael Kerr, Paul Butcher, Helen Deery, Geraldine Elliott, Michael Gribben, May Feighan, Maura Fitzpatrick, Thomas Markey, Marie Savage, Frank & Leo McCaughey.

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord!