



Holy Family Parish

A praying, caring community, centred in Christ

Holy Family Parish is a member of a Family of Parishes, comprising the parishes of St Patrick's, Holy Family and St Gerard's.

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 Facebook page

Novena to Our Mother of Perpetual Help: Wed 9:15am Mass

First Saturday: 10am (Holy Family)

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

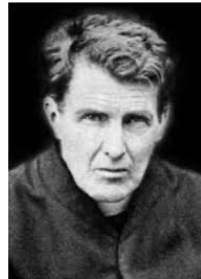
SAINTS OF THE WEEK

Mon 04: St Conleth

Tue 05: Bl. Edmund Rice

Fri 08: Bl. John Sullivan

“In prayer, don't worry about the scaffolding. Get at God.” Bl. John Sullivan



CONTACT INFORMATION

Parish Clergy: Very Rev. Michael Spence PP, Rev. John O'Lavery CC & Rev. Deacon Brendan Dowd

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Website & Webcam: www.holy-familyparish.com

5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

3RD MAY 2026

Readings: A (II) ♦ Psalter: Week 1



Mass for Students Starting Exams



Sunday 10th May 2026
10.30am
Holy Family Church

MASS FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH & CARERS

Mass with the Sacrament of the Sick and blessing of carers will take place in

Holy Family Church
on Sunday 17th May at 3pm

Everyone is most welcome



PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

WEEKLY OFFERING. The weekly collection on Sunday 26th April came to £2,967.33. Thank you for your continued generosity and support. The second collection this Sunday will be taken up after Communion, for the priests of the parish. For information on standing order and contactless methods of donation, please contact the parish office.

PARISH 100 CLUB. The new parish draw will commence 14th May. We hope current members will rejoin, and we look forward to welcoming new members. **NB promoters, please collect your cards from the Gathering Space on Tuesday 5th May, 6pm-7pm.**

ANNUAL NOVENA TO OUR MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP. In St Gerard's church, 11th-19th May, with the theme of "Living Our Baptism". For Mass times and information, please visit www.stgerardsparish.org, or Latest News on our parish website.



DOWN & CONNOR DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOUGH DERG. 19th—21st June, £100 incl. transport & island admission. Contact Claire at 02890690920, or email pathwaystothefuture@downandconnor.org. Also visit www.loughderg, for details of the 1 & 3 day retreats in the 2026 pilgrimage season.

STANDING IN THE BREACH – CATHOLIC MEN'S RETREAT A powerful half-day retreat for men, led by Fr Andrew Black, centred on our call to holiness: "Be holy, for I am holy" (1 Peter 1:16). Saturday 9th May, 9am—1pm, in Portglenone Monastery. For further info, contact Thomas on 07967 620435 or E: sean@catholicminute.co.uk.

BELFAST JESUIT CENTRE will be screening *The Chosen* (Season 1) on the Fridays of May & June at 10.45am, beginning 8th May. Register at email bjc@jesuit.ie or visit www.belfastjesuitcentre.co.uk, for more details.

KNOCK PILGRIMAGE TO PRAY FOR PEACE IN THE HOLY LAND. 16th May. Chief celebrant Bishop Shomali, from Jerusalem. www.acnireland or 0035318377516.

BLESSING OF THE GRAVES. In **Milltown Cemetery** on Sunday 10th May at 3pm, and in the **City Cemetery** on Sunday 17th May at 3pm.

WESTMINSTER ASSISTED SUICIDE BILL. The Bill has failed to pass all stages in the House of Lords, so will not become law! <https://righttolife.org.uk/LeadbeaterBillFalls>

DOWN & CONNOR PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES JULY '26

Five young people from our Parish will be part of the Youth Team, who will accompany and help care for the pilgrims who need assistance. The cost for each of our young people is quite high, and we are hoping that parishioners might assist them. We would appreciate your support next weekend, when a church door collection will be taken up after all Masses, for our young pilgrims. Some of our young people will speak at Masses this weekend.



REST IN PEACE

Recently deceased: Maureen Magee
Month's Mind: Theresa Feighan, John Rafferty, Paul O'Brien
Anniversaries: Maura Fitzpatrick, Mary O'Connor, Seamus McKeown, Helen Deery, Geraldine Elliott, Fr Brendan Beagon, May Feighan, James McAtamney, Betty O'Hara (1st), Margaret Holmes, Joy Mathew, Edna Mc Minn, Cecilia McIvor, Tommy Markey, Bernard Rooney

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord!



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

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat 2 (6pm): May Feighan & Theresa Feighan MM
Sun 3 (9am): John Rafferty MM
Sun 3 (10.30am): For the People of the Parish
Sun 3 (12 Noon): James McAtamney
Mon 4: Margaret Holmes
Tue 5: Joy Mathew
Wed 6: Edna McMinn
Thu 7: Cecilia McIvor
Fri 8: Paul O'Brien MM
Sat 9 (10am): Hugh McGrath

