



PARISH BULLETIN

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1st April 2018 – EASTER SUNDAY

St Patrick's Parish

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Office Hours

Monday through to Thursday

10 am to 1 pm and 2 pm to 5 pm

Saturday and Sunday Closed

OFFICE CLOSED EASTER WEEK–

REOPENS MONDAY 9TH APRIL

Parish Team

Very Rev Eugene O'Neill Adm

Rev Manuelito Milo CC

Dean Brendan McGee Retired)

Sr Mary Carlin CP

Parish Schedule

THERE WILL BE NO EVENING MASS ON EASTER SUNDAY

Weekday Masses: (Monday through Saturday) 1pm

Sunday Masses: 5.30 pm (Vigil), 8 am, 10 am, 12 noon, 7 pm

Eucharistic Adoration: Saturday 12 noon to 1pm

Confessions: Saturday 12 noon to 1 pm and 4.30 pm to 5.20 pm

Baptisms: Second and Third Sundays of the Month

(parents should contact the Parish Office at least four weeks in advance
and bring with them their child's long birth certificate)

Marriages: To arrange a wedding please contact the Parish office at least 6 months

COLLECTIONS

Weekly Collection: £2,130

TODAY'S COLLECTION

THE EASTER OFFERING

Thank you for your generous contribution
and support.

PARISH DRAW – WEEK 13

£100 – Kathleen McEvoy, Wall Street

£50 – Ann Lyttle, McCleery Street

£50 – Sharon Ward, Bruslee Way

Promoter's Prize: Mary O'Connor

CONGRATULATIONS

DECEASED

Pray for the repose of the soul of **Barry O'Shaughnessy**, late of Carlisle Terrace. May his
soul and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

NOTES FOR YOUR DIARY

PARISH OFFERTORY ENVELOPES: Are available at the front of the Church for collection. If you do not use envelopes and would like to use them for your gifting to the upkeep of the Church and the Priests of the Parish please bring it to the attention of the sacristan or call into the parish office. Every contribution helps!

EASTER MONDAY OPEN DAY AT DRUMALIS, LARNE: Monday, 2 April from 12 noon – 4 pm
The house and grounds will be open for all to enjoy – there will be opportunities for guided tours of the heritage house. Afternoon teas will be available. Everyone is welcome – admission is free. If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact 28272196/28276455 (during office hours – Mon-Fri, 9 am – 5 pm).

CHURCH RADIOS: Unfortunately the Church radio system is not working at present. The arial was badly damaged by recent high winds. We had hoped to have it repaired in time for Holy Week and Easter, but unfortunately, that was not possible. The new arial should be in place on Easter Friday – 6th April or very shortly after.

FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTIONS: will take place in St Matthias Church, Glen Road on **Saturday 7th April**. 3 pm Holy Hour, confessions, Consecration to our Lady and 4 pm Mass.

FEAST OF DIVINE MERCY: The Feast of Divine Mercy will be celebrated in Belfast on **8th April** in **St Peter's Cathedral, Falls Road** – starts at **2:15 pm** with Holy Rosary and Sacrament of Reconciliation; Divine Mercy Chaplet and Mass. **St Paul's Church, Falls Road** – starts at **1:30 pm** with Exposition and Sacrament of Reconciliation; Holy Rosary; Divine Mercy Chaplet and Mass. **Sacred Heart Church, Oldpark Road** – starts at **2:30 pm** with Holy Rosary and Sacrament of Reconciliation; Divine Mercy Chaplet and Mass.

BUILDING COMMUNITY TOGETHER: - 6-8th April in Stranmillis University College, Belfast BT9 5DY. Open Day 7th April. A Weekend Gathering organised by the Focolare Movement, an international work founded by Chiara Lubich during the Second World War in the North of Italy and which has spread to over a hundred countries. It's aim is to seek to build a united world, drawing inspiration from Jesus'prayer "May they all be one" and involving people of all creeds and none. Keynote talk from Brian Rowan - journalist, broadcaster and author of several book including Unfinished Peace. Input and personal stories on how we can all be dreamers and doers for our communities today. Families are welcome. Separate programmes for children. For more information: email: nirlfoc@focolare.ie tel 028-9066 1028 or see www.focolare.org/ireland
Suggested donation to cover the cost of the day £10.

CLONARD MONASTERY: Join us in Clonard Monastery, Belfast for our 'Amoris: Let's Talk Family,' six session, programme, from 7.30-9 pm on 10, 17, 24 April and 1, 22, 29May. To book your place, phone 00 44 2890 445950 or email reception@clonard.com.

NATIONAL ALL IRELAND EUCHARISTIC PILGRIMAGE: National All Ireland Eucharistic pilgrimage is having a bus run to **Knock** on **Sunday 29th April**. Bus leaving top Car Park St Bernard's Church, 165 Antrim Road, Newtownabbey, BT36 7QR at 7.30 am. COST £15. For further information or to book a seat contact Patricia 07972103130.

ST PATRICK'S PARISH PILGRIMAGE 2018: The Parish Pilgrimage will take place from **28th September to 5th October 2018**. We will be visiting San Giovanni Rotondo, Amalfi Coast and Capri. It is 50 years since the death of Padre Pio and the centenary of the appearance of the stigmata. Mass will be celebrated in various locations each day throughout the pilgrimage. Information and booking forms are available from the Parish Secretary during office hours 9.30 am – 1 pm and 2 pm – 5 pm or from the sacristy after any mass. Price 995 Euros pps. Deposit 300 Euros at the time of booking and should be paid directly to the Travel Agent. It is anticipated that places will fill up quickly, so if interested please book early.

ELMWOOD CHAMBER ORCHESTRA CONCERT: The Elmwood Chamber Orchestra, under the direction of Fr Gerard Magee, Chaplain, Queen's University, Belfast, will present a concert of music by JS Bach, Bela Bartok and Ludwig van Beethoven, on **Saturday 14th April** at **3 pm** in the **College Hall, St Malachy's College, 36 Antrim Road, Belfast**. Ticket prices (at the door): Students £5, Non-students £10. All enquiries to g.magee@downandconnor.org

KNOCK WEEKEND PILGRIMAGE: Saturday and Sunday 9 – 10th June. There are a few seats available. Staying in Knock House Hotel. For further details phone 9024 7587.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL: If you live in St Patrick's Parish and need help from St Vincent de Paul please phone 028 9035 1561.

AA MEETINGS: Held in St Patrick's Old School each Saturday 8 am to 9 am.

HOLY SHOP: First Communion gifts, prayer books, rosaries, and accessories are available in the St Joseph's convent shop in the Adoration Convent, 63 Falls Road, Belfast at very reasonable prices. They also carry a range of items for baptism, confirmation, prayer cards, candles icons, the nursery and Catholic Children's books. What they don't stock they can order! Open Monday to Friday 9 am to 5 pm (except 11:30 -2 pm). Tel 028 9024 7175.

42ND STREET: St Agnes' Choral Society are excited to be producing the Broadway Classic, 42nd Street, from 10th - 14th April. The show is also currently running in The West End but why not avail of the chance to see it in The Grand Opera House? Tickets can be purchased online at www.goh.co.uk or via the Box Office on 028 9024 1919.

LOURDES 2018: nurses are currently being sought (on the NMC live register - working in any area) to join the volunteer staff of the Diocesan Pilgrimage (11-16th July 2018). For more information please e-mail: lourdes@downandconnor.org or telephone the Pilgrimage Office 9064 6040. The subsidised fare for nurses is £520.

DOWN & CONNOR DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE LOURDES 2018: 7 nights 10 – 17 July £725, 5 nights 11 – 16 July £650, 5 nights 11 – 16 July for pilgrims needing care (Accueil Notre-Dame) £550 and Youth Team 8 – 17 July £590 (**closing date for Youth Applications 16 March**). Fares per person sharing, inclusive of return flights from Belfast, transfers, full-board accommodation, insurance and courier services. Application forms available from Parish Office or contact the Lourdes Pilgrimage Office 9064 6040 or lourdes@downandconnor.org

LIVING YOUTH – WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES VOLUNTEERING: Living Youth is leading a Youth Group from the Diocese of Down & Connor to Dublin this coming summer to volunteer at the World Meeting of Families Congress and to attend the Papal Mass. The trip will be **from 22nd – 26th August 2018** and will be for those aged 16 – 25. The trip will cost £100 per person. We expect places to fill quickly so to register your interest please email Living Youth at info@livingyouthni.org with your name, contact number, parish and date of birth or contact us directly on 02890 232 432.

VOLUNTEERING AND REGISTRATION FOR THE WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES 2018:

Registration for all WMOF2018 events is open via www.worldmeeting2018.ie or e-mail: volunteer@worldmeeting2018.ie or call (01) 5676800. REGISTER NOW!

GODPARENTS FOR BAPTISMS: A number of parishioners have asked about Godparents for Baptism. Only one Godparent is required by Canon Law and can either be male or female. If you have two Godparents, they must be male and female. Only two Godparents permitted. Practicing Christians from another denomination can act as Christian Witnesses.

FATIMA SPECIAL: 12th to 19th July 2018. £629 full board/ensuite. Deposit of £100 to be paid by 8th December 2017. Free tax, free coach to and from airport. For further details phone Rita 9062 3186 or 07934 850000.

NI CANCER PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES: Sunday 27th May to Friday 1st June 2018. The price is £669 (with price reduction for Cancer Patients) includes return flights from Belfast International Airport, full board and accommodation at Hotel Agena and travel insurance for persons up to 85 years on date of return. Medical, nursing and other staff will accompany the Pilgrimage. To enquire or to obtain a booking form contact: Mrs Jean Clarke on Tel: 07516759646 or e-mail at mail@nicancerpilgrimage.org.uk.

BANGOR PARISH 7 DAY TRIP TO BRITTANY AND NORMANDY: From 25th June to 1st July joining the one day St Columbanus International Meeting in St Coulomb June 30th. The cost is 895 euros pp sharing, all breakfasts and dinners included, 3 nights Lisieux, 3 nights St Malo. Day trips include; Places associated with St Therese, Mont St Michel, Dinard and more. (Courier: Kieran Troy who has led Bangor groups in the recent past). As there is great demand for hotel

space in Brittany in this period prompt booking would be highly recommended. Details and booking form on parish website www.bangorparish.com

LIVING YOUTH - HABITAT FOR HUMANITY GALA BALL AT TITANIC BELFAST: Friday 27th April 2018 at 7 pm. Price (pp): £55. Living Youth - Habitat for Humanity are hosting a Gala Ball, in support of the African partnership, in the beautiful Titanic suite, on Friday 27th April 2018. There will be a drinks reception on arrival, a ballot - with the chance to win amazing prizes, music from The Housem8's, amazing 5-star food and much more! If you are interested in attending, or would like to know more, please get in touch with Kiera on 028 90 232 432. Furthermore, you can purchase your tickets on the Habitat for Humanity website: <https://www.habitatni.co.uk/donate/gala-ball-2018>. Don't miss out on a fabulous night, for a wonderful cause!

THE PARISH OF DRUMBO & CARRYDUFF: Pilgrimage to the Holy Land Tuesday 22 - Wednesday 30 May 2018. Package price £1,440 per person sharing which includes return coach transfers from Carryduff to Dublin Airport, return flights with British Airways, generous luggage allowance, 4* Hotels on a half board basis (3 nights Tiberias/4 nights Jerusalem) and all excursions. If you are interested to receive further information please contact the Parish Office on 028 90812238 opt 2 or Anam Cara Travel - 02825 821 690. This pilgrimage is organised and coordinated by Anam Cara Travel, Co Antrim. LIMITED PLACES REMAINING!

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CLOSING DATE – 27th APRIL 2018

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More information is available on: www.accord.ie