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ST PATRICK'S PARISH BULLETIN

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6th January 2019

Parish Team

Very Rev. Eugene O'Neill Adm.
Rev. Tony McAleese C.C.
Right Rev. Dean Brendan McGee (Retired)
Sr Mary Carlin C.P.
Right Rev. Monsignor Joseph Chambers (Assisting Priest)
Rev Dr Anthony Briody (Deacon)

Office Opening Hours

Monday to Friday
10.30am - 2pm

PARISH SCHEDULE



Today is the Feast of the Epiphany of the Lord; when the Magi brought gifts to the infant Jesus.

The word Epiphany means "manifestation" or "showing forth." We have come to consider the gifts they bring as a foreshadowing of Jesus' role in salvation. We believe the meaning of the gifts to be Christological. Gold is presented as representative of Jesus' kingship. Frankincense is a symbol of his divinity because priests burned the substance in the Temple. Myrrh, which was used to prepare the dead for burial, is offered in anticipation of Jesus' death.

Weekday Masses

Monday to Saturday 1 pm

Sunday Masses

5.30 pm (Vigil), 8 am,
10 am, 12 noon and 7 pm

Eucharistic Adoration

Saturday 12 noon to 1 pm

Confessions

Saturday 12 noon to 1 pm
and 4.30 to 5.20 pm

COLLECTIONS

Weekly Collection: £2073

Thank you for your generous contribution and support.

PARISH DRAW – WEEK 1

£100 - Brigid Reeves, Pinkerton Walk
£50 - Jeanette Allsopp, Lancaster Terrance
£50 - Eileen Millar, Sheridan Street

Promoter's Prize: Marie McKeown

CONGRATULATIONS

RECENTLY DECEASED

Please pray for the souls of **Theresa McGreevy**, late of Little George's Street, **Patrick O'Hara** late of Portland Place, **Baby John Jude Kelly** late of Carlisle Road, **Sean O'Donovan** late of Grainne House, **Gerard Christopher Howard** late of Stratheden Street and **Patrick 'Patsy' Fegan**, who died in Canada. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

NOTES FOR YOUR DIARY

THE BARRACKS GROTTTO

Every Monday at 7 pm the Rosary is recited in Our Lady's Grotto at the Barracks. Prayers are said especially for the sick and children of the Parish. Everyone welcome.

THANK YOU FROM THE PARISH TEAM

Fr Eugene, Fr Tony, Fr Brendan and Deacon Anthony, along with Sr Mary, wish to thank all parishioners for their attendance in such numbers and with such devotion at the Masses of Christmas and the New Year. Particular thanks for the many generous gifts and gracious gestures of appreciation. It is an honour and privilege for us to serve in St Patrick's. God's blessings to all of you and your families here and elsewhere for the year ahead.

AA MEETINGS

Held in St Patrick's Old School each **Saturday 8 am to 9 am** and **Tuesday 6 pm to 7 pm**

PARISH OFFICE OPENED

The parish office is now re-opened from **10.30am to 2pm**, Monday to Friday.

VACANCY PART-TIME PARISH SECRETARY - ST PATRICK'S PARISH DONEGALL STREET

We are recruiting to fill a vacancy for a part-time Secretary within the Parish of St Patrick's, 199 Donegall Street. Full details relating to the vacancy can be found on the **Diocesan website** at: <http://www.downandconnor.org> clicking on the tab: job vacancies. Application packs are also available from the **Parish Office**.

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY 2019

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity is traditionally observed from **18th to 25th January** – the Octave of St Peter and St Paul. A Church Unity Service will take place in **St Peter's Cathedral on Tuesday, 22nd January at 7 pm** and all parishioners are welcome to attend.

JESUS HEALS: KOINONIA JOHN THE BAPTIST IRELAND

As we begin this New Year it is an opportunity to entrust whatever we're carrying to Jesus our healer, Saviour and friend. In collaboration with **St. John's Parish**, Koinonia John the Baptist Ireland invite you to join us for a special moment of prayer in **Saint John's Church on Wednesday 16th January from 7pm-9.30pm**. The evening will be guided by Br. Darren O'Reilly and local Koinonia members from the surrounding parishes. It will conclude with a cuppa and opportunity to chat in the parish hall. If you have any questions please contact **Mary on 07821 190906** or **Br. Darren at darren@koinonia.ie**. EVERYONE WELCOME!

2019 DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES

NURSES! The Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes is currently seeking volunteers to join our nursing team to care for our pilgrims who will stay at the Accueil Notre Dame, during our **2019 Pilgrimage (10-15 July)**. You will need to be a registered nurse, active on the NMC live register - newly registered nurses are welcome. For more information or to register your interest please email us to **lourdes@downandconnor.org** with your contact details and we will get back to you.

PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO FATIMA, LISBON AND ESTORIL COAST 2019

Due to popular demand the Parish Pilgrimage has been arranged for **September 2019**. The pilgrimage will be to **Fatima** (2 nights), **Lisbon** and the **Estoril Coast** (4 nights). Dates are **8th - 14th September 2019**. Booking forms and itinerary can be obtained from the Parish Office or from the Sacristy. Any queries please contact **Deirdre Douglas, 07843006560**

LEGION OF MARY

The local Praesidium of the Legion of Mary will meet next on **Monday 7th January 2019** in **Gate Lodge of Holy Family Church** at **7.30pm**. Experienced and new members always welcome.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL: A St Vincent de Paul **meeting** is held **each Tuesday** in the **Reccy Centre (North Queen Street Community Centre), 46a Victoria Parade, Belfast BT15 2EN** from **7 – 8 pm**.

OVERSEAS VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED: Volunteer Carpenters, Builders, Media Specialists, Early Childhood Practitioners, Occupational Therapists, Primary/Secondary Teachers, Accountants, Social Workers, Farmers...required for placements on Missions in Africa, SE Asia and the Caribbean. No previous overseas exp required, no upper age limit! Volunteer training programme begins 22nd September in Dublin - open to all! Contact **Viatores Christi +353-1-8689986** or email **apply@viatoreschristi.com** for more info.

CALLING ALL MARRIED COUPLES! For Married couples of all ages, an invitation to take time out to renew your relationship with a weekend presented by Catholic Marriage Encounter in Ireland from 5th-7th October in Dromantine Conference Centre, Newry. 00353 86 8541945 or www.marriageencounter.ie

ROME/SAN GIOVANNI EASTER 2019: Pilgrimage with Papal Ceremonies in Saint Peter's Square in Rome for the 7 nights Ex Dublin €995 pps. Payments can be made in instalments contact James Treacy on **061921470** or **0860572216**

PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLYLAND: 11 day Pilgrimage to the Holyland 11th to 21st February 2019 Spiritual Directors **Fr Stephan Park, Fr Owen Gorman, Fr Peter Okpetu**. Price €1,450.00 PPS. to secure a place Deposit €450.00 before August 15th 2018. For Bookings call: Philip 087 2508043 or Brenda 0416863390 or [Email: Brenda.murrayflynn@travelcounsellors.com](mailto:Brenda.murrayflynn@travelcounsellors.com)