

# ST COLMCILLE'S CHURCH, HOLYWOOD PARISH



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**Recently Deceased:** Hugh Kelly, Paddy Magee

**Anniversaries:** Monie (Kathleen ) Graham, Wesley Reid, Joe Graham, Eleanor Power, Tommy Kelly, Sammy Johnston, Adam Strain, Michael Horan, William Duffin

## Sunday Mass

Saturday vigil at 6.30pm Sunday at 10.00am and 12noon

## Weekday Mass

Monday - Thursday at 9.30am

Friday evening at 7.00pm

Tuesday 9.30am - St Anthony's Novena during Mass

Friday at 7.00pm - Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour during Mass

## **FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION**



**MONDAY 8<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2014**

**Morning Mass at 9.30am**

**Evening Mass at 7.00pm**

**COLLECTION OF REQUESTED ENVELOPES PLEASE RING PARISH OFFICE TO ARRANGE A TIME TO COLLECT. MANY THANKS**

**THE CHURCH WILL BE CLOSED  
FROM NOVEMBER TO FEBRUARY  
INCLUSIVE AT 4.00PM**

## **St Vincent de Paul Annual Collection**

A member of the society will be speaking at all the Masses **this weekend** in preparation for their Annual Collection.

Envelopes will be distributed at all Masses this weekend.

**Cards** £3 per pack, both are on sale.

Also our **Christmas Gifts Appeal** for children from babies to teenagers (1month to 16years).

## **Christian Meditation After School Club**

for children in P5-P7 continues every Wednesday during term time from 3.10pm to 4.15pm in St Patrick's Hall.

**Admission £1**

**Holy hour for all P4 children** will take place in Iona in church porch this Monday 8<sup>th</sup> December from 6 to 7pm

**FAIRTRADE WEEKEND CHRISTMAS FAIR – 13<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup> December.  
TROCAIRE GIFTS on SALE in IONA – get your chicks, goats etc**

**Centering Prayer Group** continues on Wednesdays at 7.30pm in Gartan.

**Centro Ave – Comes to Hollywood.** A selection of handmade ceramic religious items for Christmas and for Confirmation and 1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion will be on sale after **all Masses this weekend.** Centro Ave is an art studio near Florence, Italy and is run by the Focolare Movement ~ In Iona

**NIGHT OF THE FATHER'S LOVE by Pepper Choplin**  
**The Contact Singers bring a 'Celebration of Advent / Christmas' in Music at 8.00pm on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> December 2014 in St Colmcille's Church, Holywood.**

This fundraising evening is in aid of the Maynard Ward quiet room, Ulster Hospital Dundonald. All donations will be gratefully received on the night of the concert towards the refurbishment of the bereavement room.

**HOLYWOOD PARISH  
PENITENTIAL SERVICE**  
Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> December  
at 7.30pm.

**THE JESSE TREE** (which is on the altar sanctuary) helps us connect the custom of decorating Christmas trees to the events leading to Jesus' birth. The Jesse Tree is named from Isaiah 11:1: "A shoot shall come out of the stock of Jesse, and a branch shall grow out of his roots." Jesse was the father of King David. We adorn a Jesse Tree with illustrated ornaments that represent the people, prophesies, and events leading up to the birth of Jesus. The ornaments of the Jesse Tree tell the story of God in the Old Testament, connecting the Advent season with the faithfulness of God across four thousand years of history. Our school children will be making illustrated ornaments and placing them on the Jesse Tree during Advent.

**For all P7s** -We are relaunching the **Friday Night Youth Club on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2015.** We have lots of stuff for you to enjoy including music, tuck shop cafe, sports and crafts and much more. The evening commences at 7 pm and finishes at 9 pm. Venue is St Patrick's Hall, Church View and admission is £1 per wk. All P7s are welcome to come along. Bring your friends along. Everyone is Welcome.

**For all P7 Parents** - We still need volunteers (male and female) to make the Friday Night Youth Club viable. You only need to commit to 2 hours per term. We have a rota with teams of 5 parents on each Friday. You will know which Fridays you need to attend at the start of term so you can plan ahead. If you can give up 2 hours a term to help out please contact Joe on Tel: 0784 1102376



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2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Advent Year B

8 December 2014



**THE LAY DOMINICAN CHAPTER OF MATER ECCLESIAE** and Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati are hosting an afternoon retreat dedicated to Our Lady, in preparation for Advent. The main speaker is Fr Brian Doyle OP from St Saviour's Priory in Dublin, who recently completed further studies on Our Lady. This will be taking place in St Bernard's Parish Hall Glengormley, on **Sunday 7th December**, beginning at 2pm and concluding with Sunday Mass at 6pm. The afternoon will include talks, Adoration, a question and answer session with Dominican student Brothers, and tea and chat.

**COMMUNITY PLANNING WANT TO KNOW MORE ABOUT IT?** The following information sessions are being delivered in each of the New District Electoral Areas of the North Down and Ards District Council. A Presentation will be given on community planning and what it will mean for the future of this area. These Sessions are for all, including the Community/Voluntary/Business sectors, and it will also be an opportunity to meet the Councillors for your DEA. **Holywood and Clandeboye Redburn Community Centre, Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> December 2014,** CLANDEBOYE, Cultra, Helensbay, Holywood, Loughview ALL SESSIONS: 7.00pm – 9.00pm If you represent a Group or a Local Business and want to know more.....please come along! If you wish to attend a session in your area, please contact Emma Hunter on 028 9182 4065 or e-mail emma.hunter@ards-council.gov.uk. There are 100 spaces for each session (*except Redburn: 80 spaces*) and will be booked on a first come first served basis.

**Anam Cara** is holding its monthly **Parent Evening on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> of December 2014** from **19:00 to 20:30** in the County Armagh Golf Club, 7 Newry Road, Armagh, BT601EN. Anam Cara Services are available free of charge to all bereaved parents. Directions - Coming from Armagh: Turn up the Newry Road and it is the first entrance on the right after the Police Station. There are two red brick houses opposite the wide entrance.

**LIVING YOUTH** – The youth ministry groups within our Diocese are coming together to stage a series of events for our young adults 18-25 years. Our Christmas special is on **Friday 12<sup>th</sup> December 2014** 7.30pm – late. Music, entertainment, coffee, buns and faith. Go on-line to find out more and book your ticket – [www.essenceevents.org](http://www.essenceevents.org)

**YOUTH 2000 IRELAND** will be hosting their annual Christmas Retreat in Newbridge College, Newbridge, Co. Kildare from **Friday 12th to Sunday 14th December 2014**. Many young people from across Ireland (aged 16-35) are expected at this donation only event, with all newcomers very welcome. This is a great opportunity to find out what your faith is all about in a friendly, chilled out atmosphere. Free buses available. Online booking necessary, see [www.youth2000.ie](http://www.youth2000.ie) or phone 01 6753690.

**ST PETER'S CATHEDRAL** - The Cathedral Clergy, Director of Music and **Schola Cantorum** invite you to a service of Advent Readings and Carols by Candlelight on **Sunday 14th December 2014 at 4.30pm.**

**"At Least You Love Me" - Sacred Heart Parish, Belfast, Advent Mission**

Fr Fergal ó' Duill L.C. and Fr Daniel Reynolds will be hosting an Advent Mission within the Sacred Heart Parish in Belfast, over three days. December 10, 2014 @ 10:00 am – December 12, 2014 @ 7:00 pm; from 10th to 12th December in Sacred Heart Church Mass will be held at 10am and at 7pm. At the Church of Our Lady of Perpetual Succour a Mass will be held only on Thursday morning at 10am. Holy Hour and a Mission Talk will follow each of the Masses. Themes for each Mass;

**10th December** - 'A heart pierced for You', music by the Search Group

**11th December** - 'Jesus heal our hearts', music by Sacred Heart music Group

**12th December** – 'Consoling that heart', music by Sacred Heart Folk Group

Adoration will take place daily at Sacred Heart Church from 10.30am until 8.30 pm

Confessions at Sacred Heart will take place daily and will be from 10.30am-12pm and 7.30pm until 8.30pm.

Our Lady of Perpetual Succour will hold confessions on Thursday 11th from 10.30am-12.00pm. All welcome.

**St Dominic's Past Pupils' Union's Annual Carol Service** will take place in the school on **Monday 15<sup>th</sup> December at 7.30pm** (Refreshments afterwards). Past Pupils and their friends all welcome.

**Age NI and BBC NI are excited to launch 'Playing Our Part', our new joint Christmas appeal.**

Over the next two weeks, we will have stories, features and reports across BBC NI airwaves about the important contribution that older people make to NI society, and the challenges that some people are facing in later life. Listen out for our features on BBC NI channels during the next two weeks. Visit our website & download our leaflet to find about more about the appeal  
Email: [info@ageni.org](mailto:info@ageni.org) Tel: 028 9024 5729  
Age NI Advice Service 0808 808 7575  
<http://www.ageuk.org.uk/northern-ireland>

**Children and young people of the parish** you are invited to help plan and partake in the **Christmas Youth Mass on Sunday 21st December at 10am.** We need all the children and young people interested in taking part, whatever their talents and ages, to **come along on the 7th December to the church for 4pm** for an hour. Any young people who can play a musical instrument are especially welcome and are asked to bring their instruments.

Any questions or queries contact Ann-Frances Quinn on 07878269337.

**FLOWER COLLECTION for Christmas** will be taken up on the weekend of **20<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup> December.**  
**All your support is gratefully received.**