



ST COLMCILLE'S CHURCH, HOLYWOOD PARISH

5th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Cycle A, 9 February 2014

ANNIVERSARY LISTING

Anniversaries: Mick McKeown, Patrick Shields, Patricia North, Frances Graham, Ellen Liddy, May O'Connor, Ciaran O'Connor, Anne Leonard, Esther Hill, Gerard Whitehead, Mary Whitehead, Teresa McMahon



Mass and Confession Times

Sunday Mass

Saturday vigil at 6.30pm

Sunday at 10.00am and 12noon

Weekday Mass

Monday – Wednesday at 10.00am

Friday at 7.30pm

Saturday at 10.00am

Eucharistic Adoration

Before weekday Mass for ½ hour for the following intentions:

Monday for Peace, Tuesday for Families,

Wednesday for the Youth & Vocations,

Friday for those who are ill or sick.

Every Saturday 10.30am – 6.30pm

Confessions

After Saturday 10.00am Mass,

12noon – 1.00pm, and after Saturday Vigil Mass.

World Day of Sick

Tuesday 11th February

OUR LADY OF LOURDES FEAST DAY

Serendipity singing group continues every **Wednesday** night in Saint Patrick's Hall, come along and join us!

The Centering Prayer Group continues on Wednesday 12th February at 7.30pm in Gartan.

Holy Hour for Children in P4 preparing for **First Communion** meets this **Monday 10th February** from 6 to 7pm in the Church

Fr Peter O'Kane T:028 9042 2167

Office Hours: 10.00am-2.00pm Monday-Friday

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Christian Meditation After School Club for children in P5-P7 continues every **Wednesday from 3.10 to 4.15pm** in St Patrick's Hall. For more info call Joe on 07841102376



Children's Liturgy every Sunday 10.00am

Mass. Come and join the learning and fun up to P7.

Re: "In Joyful Hope – A New Step in Eucharistic Communion". This special event is being held in St. Anne's Church on **Tuesday, 25th February at 8.00 pm**. Should you feel able to promote it among your congregation and friends we would be honoured. "Everybody is Welcome. Spread the word and spread the Welcome!"

Eamonn Meehan has written on behalf of TRÓCAIRE and the families and communities they help, to thank the people of Down and Connor for the most generous donation of **€471,741.77** to the shared **Philippines and Syria Emergency Appeal**. With regard to the work being carried out by Trócaire, Eamonn Meehan states: "In Syria thousands of families are being supported through the provision of emergency shelter, food, water, hygiene kits and other basic needs. We are also providing educational support to ensure children have access to education during this crisis. In the short term, families in the Philippines are also being supported through the provision of emergency shelter, food, water and other basic needs. In the longer term, Trócaire expects to provide further support to enable families to rebuild their lives. Once again I would like to express our deep appreciation for the remarkable and invaluable support of the Diocese of Down and Connor to the emergency appeal. Following on from the support of Lent we are deeply grateful for this remarkable display of solidarity and generosity with the people of the Philippines and Syria."

World Day of the Sick The XXII Annual **World Day of the Sick will be celebrated on 11th February 2014**. Pope Francis is commending this World Day of the Sick to the intercession of Mary, so that she will help sick people to live their own suffering in communion with Jesus Christ. The theme for this world day is **Faith and Charity**. The Message of Pope Francis for the World Day of the Sick can be downloaded here:

http://www.vatican.va/holy_father/francesco/messages/sick/documents/papa-francesco_20131206_giornata-malato_en.html

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VOCATION WEEKENDS –

A Vocation Weekend for **Students**

and **young men** will take place in Drumalis

Retreat House, Larne on **February 14th – 16th 2014**. The Weekend is for anyone who is thinking about the possibility of a Vocation to the Priesthood or Religious Life. Anyone interested should contact Fr. John Murray St. Michael's Presbytery, 200 Finaghy Road North, Belfast BT11 9EG (20890 913761) for further information.

You can also email Fr John at mail@frmurray.co.uk.

DISCERNING VOCATIONS – a retreat for young women who are considering their vocation in the Church – a look at married life, the single life, lay missionary work, the religious life, consecrated life in the world and the contemplative life. **Venue: Drumalis Retreat House**, Larne on **March 29th/30th 2014**. Cost: a donation is acceptable. If interested contact the Diocesan Vocation Director: Fr. John Murray at 90913761 or email: mail@frmurray.co.uk or also contact Mags Tierney at 07537414387 (text only) or magstierney08@gmail.com.

St. Brigid's Day Lecture - Thursday 20th February 2014 at 7.30pm in **St Brigid's Church**, Windsor Avenue, Belfast
Speaker: Fr Timothy Radcliffe, O.P. Fr Timothy Radcliffe is a member of the Dominican Community, Blackfriars, Oxford and was Master of the Order, 1992 – 2001. He is the author of a number of books and is internationally renowned as a teacher, preacher and speaker. He will, in his lecture, reflect on new paths for the Church's journey in the light of Pope Francis' recent document "The Joy of the Gospel" (Evangelii Gaudium). All are welcome.

DIVINE MERCY CONFERENCE: Will be held in the **RDS Dublin on Saturday 22nd February**. Entrance Fee €30.00.

A bus will travel from Portaferry on Saturday 22nd Feb if we get enough numbers. Pick up at Newtownards.

Please contact Jean Byers 427 28781 or Una Popplewell 07934-995520. (Cost of bus and times to follow)

Apostolic Exhortation – Evangelii Gaudium – of our Holy Father Francis

Chapter 5: Personal encounter with the saving love of Jesus change

266. But this conviction has to be sustained by our own constantly renewed experience of savouring Christ's friendship and his message. It is impossible to persevere in a fervent evangelization unless we are convinced from personal experience that it is not the same thing to have known Jesus as not to have known him, not the same thing to walk with him as to walk blindly, not the same thing to hear his word as not to know it, and not the same thing to contemplate him, to worship him, to find our peace in him, as not to. It is not the same thing to try to build the world with his Gospel as to try to do so by our own lights. We know well that with Jesus life becomes richer and that with him it is easier to find meaning in everything. This is why we evangelize. A true missionary, who never ceases to be a disciple, knows that Jesus walks with him, speaks to him, breathes with him, works with him. He senses Jesus alive with him in the midst of the missionary enterprise. Unless we see him present at the heart of our missionary commitment, our enthusiasm soon wanes and we are no longer sure of what it is that we are handing on; we lack vigour and passion. A person who is not convinced, enthusiastic, certain and in love, will convince nobody.

267. In union with Jesus, we seek what he seeks and we love what he loves. In the end, what we are seeking is the glory of the Father; we live and act "for the praise of his glorious grace" (Eph 1:6). If we wish to commit ourselves fully and perseveringly, we need to leave behind every other motivation. This is our definitive, deepest and greatest motivation, the ultimate reason and meaning behind all we do: the glory of the Father which Jesus sought at every moment of his life. As the Son, he rejoices eternally to be "close to the Father's heart" (Jn 1:18). If we are missionaries, it is primarily because Jesus told us that "by this my Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit" (Jn 15:8). Beyond all our own preferences and interests, our knowledge and motivations, we evangelize for the greater glory of the Father who loves us.

The spiritual savour of being a people

268. The word of God also invites us to recognise that we are a people: "Once you were no people but now you are God's people" (1 Pet 2:10). To be evangelizers of souls, we need to develop a spiritual taste for being close to people's lives and to discover that this is itself a source of greater joy. Mission is at once a passion for Jesus and a passion for his people. When we stand before Jesus crucified, we see the depth of his love which exalts and sustains us, but at the same time, unless we are blind, we begin to realize that Jesus' gaze, burning with love, expands to embrace all his people. We realize once more that he wants to make use of us to draw closer to his beloved people. He takes us from the midst of his people and he sends us to his people; without this sense of belonging we cannot understand our deepest identity.

full copy found on: www.vatican.va/holy_father/francesco/