



ST COLMCILLE'S CHURCH, HOLYWOOD PARISH

1st SUNDAY in LENT, Cycle A, 9 March 2014

Anniversaries:

Margaret Rainey, Bobbie Pollock,
Thomas Campbell, Michael Eccles, Bena Hanratty, Thomas & Catherine Donnell, Donal Barnes,
James McKervey, Mary Duffin, Raymond Duffin, Pete Woodman, Bridgid Malone

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.

The Folk Group are looking for new members just talk with Paula after 10.00am Mass any time•

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 March at 7.30pm in Gartan.

Fr Peter O'Kane T:028 9042 2167

Office Hours: 10.00am-2.00pm Monday-Friday

Email: stcolmcilleshollywood@btconnect.com

Website: www.parishofhollywood.org



The Fairtrade Youth Group are in **IONA** every 2nd & 4th Sunday in the Month during the year. Call in and see all the items for sale.

A welcoming smile every time!

ST PATRICK'S DAY MASS

Monday 17th March

10.00am and 7.30pm



Irish Language Collection on St Patrick's day to promote the Irish Language and to give scholarships for Young People to attend the Gaeltach and provide Irish Classes.

NASCA COMMUNITY FESTIVAL 11th – 14th March 2014 in

Hollywood Library. **Tuesday 11 March at 7pm** "The Cuchulainn Saga" told by Frances Quinn. Adult Audience and older children accompanied.

Thursday 13 March at 2.30pm "The Influence of Irish on English" lecture by Dr Gavin Falconer. **Friday 14 March at 3.30pm** "The Three Little Pigs" bilingual children's storytelling show by Children's Theatre Company. Contact: Guthán T:028 9042 4232 or

E: holywood.library@librariesni.org.uk

CHRISTIAN MEDITATION AFTER SCHOOL CLUB –

Please note the Christian Meditation after school club resumes as normal Wed 12th March from 3.00 to 4.15pm

PERMANENT DIACONATE: After a long period of discussion within the diocese Bishop Treanor has given the 'Green Light' for the permanent Diaconate as a ministry of service within the diocese of Down & Connor.

If you are interested please contact Fr John Murray, Vocation Director, at 200 Finaghy Road North, Belfast, or tel 90913761 or office: 95088030, mail@frmurray.co.uk. Applicants should be male 35 years and older and if married should be married for a least 10 years.

GIFT PROGRAMME

Growing In Faith Together programme for Year 8 pupils continues this **Thursday 13th March from 7.30 to 9pm** in St Patrick's Hall. Each session includes workshops for young people and fun activities and games. The entrance fee for each young person to attend each week is £1. For further information, please contact Joe on 07841102376.

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#### **CHILDREN'S HOLY HOUR**

Holy Hour for children preparing for First Holy Communion meets this **Monday 10<sup>th</sup> March from 6 to 7pm** in Iona

**CLIMB SLEMISH FROM ST PATRICK'S CHURCH**, The Braid after **11am Mass on St Patrick's Day**.

The walk will be supervised and refreshments will be served on return to the church.

**THE NEW ENVELOPES WILL BE READY FOR COLLECTION IN A FEW WEEKS.** If you have changed address could you please inform the parish office by dropping in by post or email your new address. If you haven't signed up for envelopes in the past please feel welcomed to do so. GIFT AID benefits the parish as the government will contribute back to your parish a percentage of your donation. So, if you are paying tax please consider Gift Aid. Many thanks.



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**Bethany Bereavement Support Group – More volunteers are needed** to help with this work in the Parish. If you are interested in becoming involved then please leave your name and contact details in the Parish office. More information about Bethany can be found at [www.bethany.ie](http://www.bethany.ie)

**Down & Connor Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2014**  
Application forms are now available from the Parish Office/Sacristy. 7 nights 10-17<sup>th</sup> July - £635; 5 nights 11-16 July - £570 hotel, £450 hospital; Youth Team 8-17 July £520. Fare inclusive of return flights from Belfast, transfers, full-board accommodation, insurance, courier services & taxes. Youth Team Applications closing date: 31 March 2014. For more information T:028 9064-6040 or E:dcpilgrimage@gmail.com

**The Marian Prayer Group, Bangor** invite you to come for a **One Day Lenten Retreat on Saturday 22nd March 2014**. (Mass, confessions & talks) We are joining the Mother Teresa nun's in Portglenone, cost for travel £10 pp, lunch, tea & coffee included. Picking up at Spafield Carpark 9.20am. Leaving at 5.00pm again. All ages welcome, under 18's must be accompanied by an adult. Contact: Jacinta T:9042 2167 or Una T:07934 995520.

**WITH LENT ALMOST UPON US**, many of us will be thinking about what we are going to "give up". But it is also possible that we can take something up. It is an ideal time to form good habits that may continue beyond these 40 days of prayer, charitable works and self-denial. Why not visit [www.therosary3.com](http://www.therosary3.com)

### **LIVING YOUTH Habitat for Humanity Gala Ball**

A Diocesan Living Youth Team will be travelling to Ethiopia in July 2014 to build houses with Habitat for Humanity, the world's leading housing charity.

As part of their fundraising campaign a **GALA BALL** will be held on **Friday 16<sup>th</sup> May in The Tullyglass House Hotel, Ballymena**. Tickets £40/£400 per table To reserve tickets or for more information please contact:  
Claire Smylie, Living Youth Office Manager ☐ 16 Chapel Lane, Belfast, BT1 1HH ☐ 028 90232432 [clairesmylie@livingyouthni.org](mailto:clairesmylie@livingyouthni.org)  
Alternatively log on to ☐ [www.livingyouthni.org](http://www.livingyouthni.org)

### **Music for St Patrick's Day Drumalis – Sunday, 16 March 2014 at 7:30 pm**

There will be an evening of entertainment for St Patrick's Day in the beautiful surroundings of Drumalis in Larne. The evening will commence at 7:30 pm with dinner on arrival followed by a selection of Irish and Scottish music performed by local musicians under the direction of Loreto McAuley. The cost of the evening is £30 per person and admission is by pre-paid ticket only. For further information or to book tickets, please contact 028 28276455/28272196 during office hours (Mon-Fri, 9 am – 5 pm)

**The Annual Diocesan Liturgy Seminar**, entitled "**Rediscovering the Word of God**" will be held on Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> May 2014 from 1pm - 4.30pm in St Anne's Parish Centre, Kingsway, Finaghy, Belfast BT10 ONE. It will be conducted by Brother Pat Mullins O.Carm. The Seminar is open to all, and will be especially interesting to Ministers of the Word. Seminar Fee £5. To book, please contact: **Malachy McKeever, Tel: 07760 108 903 e-mail: malachy.mck@gmail.com**

### **Pope Francis: Lent is a Reawakening, An Invitation to Conversion. – 6 March 14**

The Pope said that to walk this spiritual path, three elements are necessary: prayer, fasting and charity. All three involve "the importance of not allowing oneself to be dominated by appearances: what counts is not appearance, but what we have inside".

Prayer is "the strength of the Christian and of every believer," he said. "In the weakness and the fragility of our life, we may turn to God with the trust of His sons and enter into communion with Him. And Lent is a time for prayer, "a more intense and prolonged prayer ... more able to take on the needs of our brothers; prayer of intercession, to intercede before God for many situations of poverty and suffering".

Fasting, he added, has meaning only if it "truly attacks our security" and brings benefits to others. It must help us to "cultivate the approach of the good Samaritan" and involves choosing "a sober style of life" without waste. "Fasting helps us to train our hearts in simplicity and sharing," he said.

Giving to charity, the Pope continued, means "giving freely" - something that should be one of the characteristics of the Christian who, aware of having freely received undeservedly everything from God, learns to give freely to others. "Giving to charity helps us to live the free nature of the gift, which is freedom from the obsession of possession, of the fear of losing what we have," the Pope said.

The Pope concluded: "With its invitation to conversion, Lent providentially reawakens us, shakes us from our torpor, from our risk of living by inertia."