



# ST COLMCILLE'S CHURCH, HOLYWOOD PARISH

December 8, 2015 **JUBILEE OF MERCY** November 20, 2016

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## **SUNDAY MASS**

Saturday vigil Mass:  
6.30pm

Sunday: 10am & 12noon

## **Weekday Mass**

Monday, Tuesday,  
Wednesday Thursday at  
9.30am  
and Friday at 7.00pm

Tuesday 9.30am - St Anthony's  
Novena during - Mass

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

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## **Eucharistic Adoration** **Every Saturday**

10.00am – 5.00pm  
and before *weekday Mass* for 1/2hr

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**Baptism** by appointment.

**Marriage** by appointment

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## **Recently Deceased:**

Susan Curry, Barry Armitage,  
Paul Watts

**Anniversaries:** May  
Sweeney, Fra O'Reilly, David  
Dorrian, Molly & Davy  
McKervey, Ruby Ferris,  
Kathleen McLaughlin

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Some **Feast Days** highlighted this  
week in the Diocesan Directory Calendar:

**Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup>** - St Francis of Assisi

**Thursday 6<sup>th</sup>** - St Bruno, Priest

**Friday 7<sup>th</sup>** - Our Lady of the Rosary

## A Prayer for Our Earth

All-powerful God, you are present in  
the whole universe and in the smallest  
of your creatures. You embrace with  
your tenderness all that exists.  
Pour out upon us the power of your  
love, that we may protect life and  
beauty. Fill us with peace, that we may  
live as brothers and sisters, harming  
no one. Amen – *Irish Bishops*

Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> October – Day for Life  
**Day for Life** is the Church's special  
day dedicated to celebrating the  
dignity of life from conception to  
natural death.

**DOOR OF MERCY:** ST PATRICK'S CHURCH, Donegall St, Belfast  
Mon-Fri 10.30am-8pm, Sat 10.30am-7pm, Sun 8.30am-7pm



## **CHILDREN'S LITURGY** continues on this **Sunday**

**2<sup>nd</sup> October 2016.** All P1 – P7 children are welcome to attend.

P1-P3 meet in the sacristy and P4-P7 meet in Iona. New children  
always welcomed and those students interested in helping please just ask for  
information from one of the leaders.

Parents who have children attending a primary school other than St Patrick's Or  
Glenraig and would like to have them celebrate the Sacraments of **First  
Confession, First Holy Communion Or Confirmation in 2017** are asked to  
please contact Joe Mckeown On 07841102376 for details of sacramental  
preparation classes.

**Young people in Year 13** are invited to apply for the Pope John Paul II Award  
The Pope John Paul II Award enables participants to take an active part in the life  
of their Church - in the life of their community and society. It also enables young  
people become more aware of the teaching and role of the Catholic Church in the  
world. The Award is committed to helping young people enhance their spiritual,  
physical, emotional and social development through participation in school, parish  
and community activities. For more information please phone 0784 1102376 or visit:  
[www.thepopejohnpauliiaward.com](http://www.thepopejohnpauliiaward.com)

**ADULTS WHO WOULD LIKE TO EXPLORE AND ENQUIRE INTO THE CATHOLIC  
FAITH WITH A VIEW POSSIBLY OF BAPTISM OR CONFIRMATION ARE ASKED TO  
PHONE 0784 1102376 FOR DETAILS OF ADULT FORMATION CLASSES**

## **Training for New Altar Servers**

**This is the time of year when we invite children who have made their First  
Holy Communion to become altar servers and to begin their training.  
For more information please contact 0784 1102376**

## **Teeny Weenies** Baby & Toddler group for Parents/Grandparents & Carers.

Description - We are a friendly group who meet in St Patricks Hall every Wednesday  
morning from 10am - 11.30am. We have lots of toys and space for the children to play.  
We have craft activities, noisy fun singing sessions and provide a healthy snack for the  
children not to mention a most welcome cuppa for the adults. Everyone is welcome.

**Frassati Club for Altar Servers** meets this Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> October from 6 to 7pm in  
Iona in the church porch. There are fun group games and activities for the children  
to enjoy while they learn more about their faith.

**IF YOU ARE NEW TO THE PARISH PLEASE INTRODUCE YOURSELF TO FR  
STEPHEN AND LET US KNOW IF WE CAN HELP WITH ANYTHING – CALL  
INTO THE PARISH OFFICE OR TEL 90422167**

We are once again celebrating the **Mission Month of October.** Mission Month  
gives us all the opportunity to reflect on our baptismal call to bring Christ to others,  
which is a privilege in itself. The gift we have been given, we are asked to give. Our  
gift to the world is the joy of the Gospel and our Irish missionaries continue to bring  
the Good News to people throughout the world. World Missions Ireland, the working  
title of the four Pontifical mission societies, organises the Mission Sunday collection  
in all Churches nationwide. Mission Sunday falls on the 23<sup>rd</sup> October. Our theme is  
'Every Christian is a Missionary.' We can all do our part in an open, joyful and  
generous way. For further information on WMI or to make a donation please visit  
[www.wmi.ie](http://www.wmi.ie)



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# 27<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Year 2 October 2016

**IRISH CLASSES** continues on Tuesday evenings in the Non-Subscribing Presbyterian Church on High St (entrance at rear through Hibernia Street car-park). Beginners, improvers and advanced classes with 2 experienced teachers. Registration 7pm and 8pm for beginners. (Concessions available)

**BEGINNING EXPERIENCE** Are you suffering the pain of loss of a partner? Looking for help and understanding? Beginning Experience (a support group for widowed, separated and divorced people) meets every Wednesday evening from **8pm to 10pm** in St Bride's Hall, 38, Derryvolgie Avenue, Malone Rd, Belfast. All welcome. For details please contact Phil Tel: 028 90 207645 or Marie Tel: 07896119669

**TOBER MHUIRE – SEARCH** Weekend for young adults – **4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> November** contact: [secretary@tobarmhuirecrossgar.com](mailto:secretary@tobarmhuirecrossgar.com) or [www.tobarmhuirecrossgar.com](http://www.tobarmhuirecrossgar.com)

### ST PATRICK'S CHURCH, BELFAST

The last Mercy Day for the Jubilee Year in St Patrick's will take place on **Friday, 28 October at 7.00pm**.

'Mercy and Motherhood' presented by Mrs Eileen Foley in October. The Great Jubilee Year ends on 20 November 2016 with the closure of the Holy Door at St Peter's but all other Holy Doors around the world will close the week before, on the 33<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the year, the 13 November 2016.

### KNOCK BASILICA – Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> & Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> October 2016

'The Story of Love' Concert – A Universal Choir from 5 continents streamed live around the World, composed and produced by Willie Hughes. Concert 8pm – doors open from 6.45pm. Tickets from *Ticketmaster & Knock Shrine*. Knock Shrine 00353 94 9375030 or [www.knockshrine.ie/thestoryoflove](http://www.knockshrine.ie/thestoryoflove). Concert will be live streamed via Pope Francis' website, click to pray youtube.

### Sister Martina Purdy at St Anne's Cathedral

Sister Martina Purdy will be the special speaker at the Healing Service in St Anne's Cathedral, Belfast on **Monday 17<sup>th</sup> October 2016 at 8pm**. Martina was well known throughout Northern Ireland in her work as a BBC news journalist. A popular broadcaster she would say now that she felt she was 'living the dream'. Then God came calling, asking her to join the Adoration Sisters and live under vows of poverty, chastity and obedience. It was quite an inner struggle to yield to God's will. Some of her work colleagues thought she had gone off her head. Nonetheless, the call was so clear that Martina entered the convent on the Falls Road. Even though joining a religious community in many ways involved great sacrifice she has found her new lifestyle to be immensely fulfilling. Martina says that she now has a spirit of joy and contrary to her past experience is really 'living the dream'. An excellent speaker Martina will be well worth hearing on 17<sup>th</sup> October. Why not come and join us? Personal prayer and the anointing with oil will be available at the service.

### One in Christ Jubilee Conference

The Benedictine Monks in Rostrevor will host a Conference to celebrate the fiftieth volume of the Catholic ecumenical journal *One in Christ*. The Jubilee Conference, entitled *Parables of Communion*, runs from **Wednesday, 19<sup>th</sup> to Saturday, 22<sup>nd</sup> October** and features a range of guest speakers from diverse Christian traditions. **Workshops** will be held on *Praying with Icons*, *Gregorian Chant*, and a *Reflective Tour of Holy Cross Monastery*. Meals, accommodation and arranged bus journeys are included in the Conference fee of £300. It should be noted that the organisers would be very happy to welcome young people/students in particular. Website for more information. [www.benedictinemonks.co.uk](http://www.benedictinemonks.co.uk)

**Bishops publish 'Day for Life' pastoral message: 'Everything is Connected' "Growing in wonder will help us to treasure more deeply the gift of human life"** – **Bishops** This Sunday across Ireland marks the celebration of *Day for Life*, a day dedicated to raising awareness about the meaning and value of human life at every stage, and in every condition. *Day for Life* is celebrated each year by the Catholic Church in Ireland, Scotland, and in England & Wales. The theme for this year's *Day for Life* is 'Everything is Connected'. The text of the pastoral message is available in English on [www.catholicbishops.ie](http://www.catholicbishops.ie).

### **14th Down Scout Group in Urgent need of adult volunteers**

This year our intake of young people has increased considerably. We are delighted that so many young people wish to experience scouting BUT it means that we need more Leaders. Are you a young adult who could benefit from the valuable training and experience in youth leadership that we can provide? Did you benefit from membership of a youth organisation and would like to give something back? Do you enjoy outdoor pursuits? If you would like to do something valuable and rewarding in your spare time then please contact Martin McRandal on 07973159113 or via the Parish Office.

**Youth Alpha Programme** - The Youth Alpha Programme begins on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> October 2016 from 6.30 – 8.30 pm in the Living Youth Building, Berry Street, Belfast. This programme is for young people aged 16-17 and is a lively, fun way to engage in a conversation about faith, life and God. For more information visit [www.livingyouthni.org](http://www.livingyouthni.org)

**SIGN UP** for 'Thought for the Month' or 'Dear Young People' (for youth), the new **Down and Connor E-Newsletter** for the Year of Mercy, by sending an email to: [events@downandconnor.org](mailto:events@downandconnor.org) or by visiting [www.downandconnor.org/press\\_office/e-newsletter/](http://www.downandconnor.org/press_office/e-newsletter/). Parishioners can also follow the Diocese on Facebook and Twitter.