



Parish Bulletin

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST

FALLS ROAD

22 JULY 2018

16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
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PARISH MASS TIMES
 Saturday Vigil 6.30pm
 Sunday 10.00am, 12.00pm
 Monday-Saturday 10.00am
FIRST FRIDAY
 Exposition until 11.30am
CONFESSIONS
 Saturday 5.30pm - 6.00pm
NOVENA IN HONOUR OF OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP
 Tuesday 10.00 am
BAPTISM
 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month 1 pm

BAPTISMS Please contact the parish office at least one month before the intended date of the Baptism. **MARRIAGE** Please contact Fr Martin at least six months before the intended date of marriage.

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. **5-7 October 2018** in Dromantine Conference Centre, Newry. Information and booking +353 86 8541945/www.marriageencounter.ie

URGENT PLEA FOR RETIRED TEACHERS to help support local children

Special needs charity Sólás has put out an urgent appeal for Retired Teachers to help provide 1:1 support to children, with additional educational needs, in a number of primary schools in west Belfast. These are hugely rewarding voluntary positions and one morning per week, during term time, is required. Please contact Anne Cahill at Sólás on [02890 247600](tel:02890247600), Mobile [07729 779242](tel:07729779242) or email anne@solasbt7.com for further details.



SEEKING VOLUNTEERS

We are hoping to introduce a **baptism preparation programme** for the parish.

In order to do this we need a few volunteers to help with 'drop-in' visits in the homes of the new babies - just a friendly face and an encouraging word to the young couple.

Training will be provided.

If interested, please leave your name and contact number in the sacristy or the parish office.

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

MONTH'S MIND: Ellis Madden, William (Sonny) Conway.

ANNIVERSARIE: Mary Fox, Ashleigh Mariani, Moira McManus, Paula Darragh.

Eternal Rest grant unto them, o Lord...

PARISH DRAW WINNERS JULY 2018

£500: B&T Doyle (9)

£100: Leanne Barkley (55); Margaret Lundy (155); Laura McKeown (270); Brigid Kane (302); Mena McCann (408).

Promoter's Prize £50: Margaret Rooney.
 Congratulations to all winners!

SAINTS THIS WEEK



Monday - **St Bridget of Sweden**, Religious, Patroness of Europe;

Tuesday - **St Sharbel Makhuf**, Priest;

Wednesday - **St James**, Apostle;

Thursday - **Ss Joachim & Anne**, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary

POPE FRANCIS TWEETS

'Try reading the Gospel for at least five minutes every day. You will see how it changes your life.'

Follow Pope Francis on Twitter@Pontifex and on @VaticanNews

Belfast Community Gospel Choir

Presented by
Simon Community NI

Where St John's Parish Office, 470 Falls Road, Belfast BT12
 When Sun 16 Sept 2018 at 7pm
 Price £10

Tickets available online
 visit bcgc.biz/see-us/
 or visit St John's Parish Hall

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PARISH COLLECTIONS - 15 July 2018

Weekly Offering: **£590**

Building Fund: **£330**

2nd collection this week: Diocesan Pastoral Services, **next week:** Building Fund.

Sincere thanks for your continued generosity!

WeightWatchers class in St John's Parish Hall - Tuesday @ 5.15pm. For more information, contact Bernie on 07789813337.

ST JOHN'S PARISH HALL AVAILABLE FOR HIRE - For more information please contact Conor on 90314112 (Option 2), email: stjohnsphbelfast@icloud.com; HOURLY RATE: £20.

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Option 1 - Parish Office; **Option 2** - Parish Hall; **Option 3** - Parish Priest

Email: stjohns@downandconnor.org Website: www.stjohnsfallsroad.com

Option 5 - Bethany Bereavement Support Group

NATIONAL GRANDPARENTS PILGRIMAGE

Sunday September 9th 2018, Our Lady of Knock Shrine, Knock, Co. Mayo

Chief Celebrant: Archbishop Jude Thaddeus Okolo - Apostolic Nuncio. **Choir and Musicians:** Combined Choirs of Knock Parish, directed by Una Nolan, Director of Music Knock Shrine, The Tuttle Family. **Reflection by:** Catherine Wiley - Founder of the CGA. **Special Guests:** Dana, sings 'Our Lady of Knock'

2.30pm - Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick with Music and Song / 3.00pm - Pilgrimage Mass followed by the Rosary.

Children's Prayer Appeal - An invitation to all children to write a prayer for their Grandparents. All prayers will be blessed at the pilgrimage. Please send prayers to CGA office, Castlebar Street, Westport, Co. Mayo. Email: Info@catholicgrandparentsassociation.com, Tel - Mobile: 085 8704722



OFFICIAL FAMILY PRAYER FOR WMGF2018

*God, our Father,
 We are brothers and sisters in Jesus your Son,
 One family, in the Spirit of your love.
 Bless us with the joy of love.
 Make us patient and kind,
 gentle and generous,
 welcoming to those in need.
 Help us to live your forgiveness and peace.
 Protect all families with your loving care,
 Especially those for whom we now pray:
 [We pause and remember family members and others by name].*

*Increase our faith,
 Strengthen our hope,
 Keep us safe in your love,
 Make us always grateful for the gift of life that we share.
 This we ask, through Christ our Lord, Amen
 Mary, mother and guide, pray for us.
 Saint Joseph, father and protector, pray for us.
 Saints Joachim and Anne, pray for us.
 Saints Louis and Zélie Martin, pray for us.*

