



Parish Bulletin

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST FALLS ROAD

19 AUGUST 2018
20TH 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.

NEWLY BAPTISED We welcome into the family of the Church and congratulate the parents of: Jamie Terence Rossa Fegan, Hanna Geraldine Meighan.

FAMILY MASS

There will be a "Family Mass" this **Sunday, 19 August at 12 noon** in preparation for the World Meeting of Families. Please encourage all family members to come to this Mass.

There will be tea and coffee, treats and games for the kids in the parish hall after Mass.

CELEBRATING 90 YEARS

since the opening of St John's Church on Sunday, 9th September 1928 and 40 years since the opening of the parish hall on Sunday 10th September 1978

There will be a **THANKSGIVING NOVENA**
1 - 9 September 2018

Details to follow

EXHIBITION

We are appealing for photographs of St John's Church and Hall, either inside or outside to be used in an exhibition covering the last 90 years of parish life. Please leave any photographs in an envelope with your name and address into the sacristy or parish office. These will be scanned and the originals will be returned to you within a week.

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

RECENTLY DECEASED: Sr Elizabeth, Convent of Mercy, Ard-na-va

ANNIVERSARIE: Vera/Gerry Mc Crory, David McKay, Mary Hoey, Theresa Markey, Paddy McLlroy, Joe & Susan Gaffney

Eternal Rest grant unto them, o Lord...

Wednesday 29th August 7^{pm}

Lessons and Legacy of the Poor Clares in Belfast

An illustrated talk by Fr Martin Magill, author of *The Poor Clares in Belfast 1924-2012*

Holy Family Church, 226 Limestone Road, Belfast



Copies of the book will be on sale at £10

POPE FRANCIS TWEETS

'Still today there are so many martyrs, so many who are persecuted for the love of Christ. They are the real strength of the Church!'

Follow Pope Francis on Twitter@Pontifex and on @VaticanNews

THANKSGIVING NOVENA

1st Sept-9th Sept 2018
Celebrating 90 years since the opening of St John's Church, Falls Road

Opening Mass Saturday 1st September at 6.30pm
Celebrant and Preacher - Fr Aidan McCaughan (Former Curate)

Sunday 2nd September at 10am and 12 noon
Celebrant and Preacher - Fr Paul Strain 10am (Former PP)
Celebrant and Preacher - Fr Martin Magill 12 Noon (PP)

Monday 3rd September @ 7pm
Personal stories of how helping organisations in the parish have made a difference

Tuesday 4th September @ 7pm
A reflection on the Gospel of St John - Fr Albert McNally
(Former lecturer in St Mary's College)

Wednesday 5th September @ 7pm - Thanksgiving for Schools, Youth Clubs, Community and Sporting organisations

Thursday 6th September @ 7pm Clergy who served in the parish
A life of service

Friday 7th September @ 7pm - What is a Pastoral Community?
Jim Deeds, Fr Tony Devlin (P.P & VF ST PAULS)

Saturday 8th 6.30pm - an invitation to all who celebrated a sacrament in the church
Celebrant and Preacher - Fr Andrew Black (Ordained a deacon in St John's)

Sunday 9th 10am - an invitation to all who celebrated a sacrament in the church
Celebrant and Preacher - Fr Anthony McLaverty

Sunday 9th 12 noon - Launch of pastoral plan
Celebrant and Preacher - Fr Robert Fullerton (Nephew of the first Parish Priest)

BELFAST COMMUNITY GOSPEL CHOIR

presented by Simon Community NI

Where: St John's
When: Sun, 16 Sept 2018 at 7pm
Price: £10.

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

PARISH COLLECTIONS - 12 August 2018

Weekly Offering: **£610**

Building Fund: **£371**

2nd collection this week: Diocesan Cathedral Fund,
next week: Building Fund.

Sincere thanks for your continued generosity!

CONTACT DETAILS

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Option 5 - Bethany Bereavement Support Group

Launch of Pastoral Plan

Since it was formed over the last two years the pastoral council has been working to a plan of priorities e.g. setting up a choir, establishing a book for intentions, having tea/coffee after a weekday Mass. On Sunday 9th September, the last day of the Novena we intend to launch a new pastoral plan for the parish for the next 3 years.

We are keen to hear from parishioners what they see as the priorities for the parish, the church building and the parish hall. Please write what you see as the top three priorities and leave this either in the sacristy or in the parish hall.

SAINTS THIS WEEK

Monday - **Sr Bernard**, Abbot & Martyr;

Thursday - **St Rose of Lima**, Virgin;

Friday - **St Bartholomew**,
Apostle,

Saturday - **St Joseph of Calsanz**, Priest.



PARISH DRAW WINNERS AUGUST 2018

£500: Marie McAvoy (95)

£100: J Ronney (193); Patsy Shields (72); Eileen Burns (64); Kay Devlin (373); Sheena Reid (354).

Promoter's Prize £50: Ann Herdman.
Congratulations to all winners!

NOTE TO PARENTS AND GUARDIANS

No child should be going to the church toilet unaccompanied.

