

21 APRIL 2019 **EASTER SUNDAY**

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NEWLY BAPTISED We welcome into the family of the Church and congratulate the parents of: Amber Aniyah Rain Nyambura O'Neill, Cillian Christopher May.

"Hope does not disappoint" (Rom 5:5)

We wish all the parishioners and visitors to the parish a Blessed and Joyful Easter!



TO FOLLOW JESUS CLOSELY

Bishop Treanor has written a pastoral letter on priesthood and vocational discernment. In it, he invites us to pray an increase in vocations priesthood and religious life. Не encourages us to contribute to a culture which supports young people to listen, discern and live God's call in their lives. Copies of the letter will be distributed at the Easter Vigil and Easter Sunday Masses. Please take one and reflect on its themes with your loved ones.

For further information on vocations to priesthood, please visit vocationsdownandconnor.org or contact Fr Kevin McGuckien on 02890614567.

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

> 10.00 am Tuesday **BAPTISM**

2nd and 4th Sunday of the month 1 pm

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

RECENTLY DEACEASED: Roseleen Crawford, Gerard McGoran. ANNIVERSARIES: Kathleen McVeigh and Gemma McVeigh.

Eternal Rest grant unto them, o Lord...

CONSULTATION VOLUNTEERS!

Following the appeal for volunteers to distribute a copy of the options "Vision for the future" for St John's Church which will contain a breakdown of the costs to do renewal/renovation work on the church. there was an excellent response and 50% of the streets are now covered.

We are appealing for volunteers to deliver to the rest of the streets, so that every home in this parish will receive a copy of the options paper.



FALLS VOCATIONS NOVENA SATURDAY, 4TH MAY - SUNDAY, 12TH MAY

St Paul's, Corpus Christi, St Peter's, St John's, St Mary's

Details to follow

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Continues every Thursday after 10am Mass and continues until 9pm. If you can spare an hour each week, please leave your name, telephone number and your preferred hour in the Sacristy or contact the parish office.







EASTER DRAW WINNERS 2019

£2,500: Frances McEvoy (434); **£500**: Margaret Bonner (201);

£100: Bride Loughead (286); Fiona Gilhooly

Jim Griben (335); Ann Mariani (254); Marie Delaney (135).

Promoter's Prize £50: Marie McAvoy.

Congratulations to all winners!

MORNING PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Morning Prayer of the Church EACH MORNING in the Adoration Chapel in St John's Church at 9.40am. All are welcome.

LIVING CHURCH - CHILDREN'S LITURGY DEVELOPMENT

The Living Church will host its third and final 2018/19 Development Day for Leaders of Children's Litural of the Word on Saturday, 11 May from 9.30am-3.30pm in the Living Church Offices at 120, Cliftonville Road, Belfast BT14 6LA.

DCU Assistant Prof. of Religious Education, Cora O' Farrell, will be our guest speaker. Cora is an expert in Children's Spirituality and she has a passion for Montessori inspired forms of Religious Education and has undertaken training in both Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (levels 1 and 2) and Godly Play. She will be sharing some of her insights with us, helping to inspire, support and nourish all those involved in this valuable ministry within our Diocese. Attendance at the day is free and lunch will be provided but it is necessary to register as spaces are limited. Please contact Caren by email: c.collins@downandconnor.org; or telephone: 028 90 690 920 to register.

Parish Office

The Parish office will be closed on 23rd & 24th of April and will reopen on Thursday 25th April.

The **HOUSE OF PRAYER** has an open door! It's a place to meet Jesus in a relaxed and friendly atmosphere. Every Wednesday,

7-8pm Green Room @ St John's

Want info? Call Mary on 07821190906 or email info@koinonia.ie

CHURCH CAR PARK - MONDAY TO FRIDAY

CHURCH CAR PARK - WEEKENDS

Please note that the gates of the church car We would ask that those who are able-bodied safety of children coming and going to school. mobility) to park in the church grounds.

park will be locked until 9.30am each morning to park in the school grounds for weekend and from after Mass until 4pm. We have taken Masses to allow those who have restricted this decision in the interests of the health and mobility (or who are passengers with restricted

LENTEN TRÓCAIRE BOXES

If you haven't done so already, please return contributions for Trócaire as soon as possible and during Mass times only.

PARISH COLLECTIONS - 14 April 2019

Weekly Offering: £581; Building Fund: £360 2nd collection this week: Easter Voluntary Stipend; next week: Building Fund.

Sincere thanks for your continued generosity! Gift Aid

If you are a visitor to the parish and a UK tax payer and would like to make a contribution to the parish collection, please complete a Gift Aid **envelope** at the back of the church and put your contribution in it.

Mass Bouquets may acquired from the Sacristy or the Repository Shop.

NOTE TO PARENTS AND GUARDIANS No child should be going to the church toilet unaccompanied.

CONTACT DETAILS

Very Rev. Martin Magill PP - Parochial House, 470 Falls Road, Belfast BT12 6EN

Parish telephone number: 028 9031 4112 / 9543 3132, **Option I** - Parish Office; Option 2 - Parish Hall;

Option 3 - Parish Priest

Option 5 - Bethany Bereavement Support Group

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