



Parish Bulletin

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST

FALLS ROAD

1 SEPTEMBER 2019

22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
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EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION resumes on Thursday, 5th September after 10am Mass and continues until 9pm, every Thursday.

Adorers who had been covering hours from 2pm to 6pm, please resume as before the summer.

Ask a patient with a broken bone: "Does it hurt you?" And he, very likely, will answer: "Not when I keep it still." Peace of soul is found in that calm, when once a week we open windows to heaven.

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.

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

RECENTLY DECEASED: Tommy Mallon (Mill Court)

MONTH'S MIND: Ellen McLaughlin

FIRST ANNIVERSARIE: Heidi Boyle

ANNIVERSARIES: Neely & George Fox, Sarah Patricia McIlvenny, Una Mallon, James Crawford.

REMEMBER ALSO: Patrick Fisher, The Holy Souls.

Eternal Rest grant unto them, o Lord...

MARRIAGE Please contact Parish office at least six months before the intended date of marriage.

BAPTISMS Please contact the parish office at least one month before the intended date of the Baptism.

RECENTLY BAPTISED We welcome into the family of the Church and congratulate the parents of: Zara Kinsella, Saerlaith Kelly.

The **TUESDAY COFFEE MORNING** will re-commence on the 3rd September after 10am Mass.

MORNING PRAYER OF THE CHURCH in the Adoration Chapel in St John's Church, **each morning** at 9.40am. All are welcome.

FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTIONS – 7TH SEPTEMBER

St. Matthias Church Glen Rd:
3pm Exposition, Confessions, Rosary and Act of Consecration and 4pm Mass.

SAINTS AND COMMEMORATIONS



Tuesday (3rd) - St Gregory the Great, pope and doctor of the Church - Born in about 540, Saint Gregory died in Rome in 604. He founded monasteries there and in Sicily and himself became a monk. Elected pope in 590, he reorganised Church life and administration in a time of crisis, sponsored liturgical reform and initiated the evangelisation of the English. He sent Augustine and his monks on their mission in 596 and continually provided them with advice, support and reinforcements. He is remembered also for his writings on pastoral care, spirituality and morals. The first monk to be elected pope, he designated himself 'servant of the servants of God'. He is venerated in both the East and West.

Wednesday (4th) - St Mac Nissi, the founder and first bishop-abbot of Connor.

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



FAITH AND LIFE CONVENTION – 28th September 2019
This year's theme: **Faith in a Better World**

Programme includes: Keynote Speech, Panel Discussion, A Variety of Workshops, Local and International speakers.

Keynote Speaker: **Michel Camdessus**, the former director of the International Monetary Fund (IMF) and a member of the Pontifical Council on Justice and Peace.

To book online, go to:

<https://register.primo-events.com/ps/event/FaithandLifeConvention2019>

You can also book via the parish (leave your details with Fr Martin or Conor)

Full Ticket: £20.00 (covers Arrival Refreshments, Delegate Pack, Main Keynote Address, Panel, Lunch and Choice of 2 Workshops)

Packed Lunch Ticket: £15.00 (as above but excl. Lunch)

Youth & Young Adult Pass (16-23): FREE REGISTRATION

(covers Arrival Refreshments, Access to Youth Space, Keynote Address, Youth Breakout, Lunch and Choice of 2 workshops)

DAY RETREAT TO LOUGH DERG FALLS ROAD PASTORAL COMMUNITY

Saturday 21st September 2019 cost £50 (Includes bus, boat, tea & scones on arrival then a light lunch and retreat) £10 deposit for the bus on booking please. Leaving St John's @ 6.45am returning @ 7pm. Come and celebrate our faith in God's mercy for each of us. Booking available with Catherine at St Paul's Parish Office Tel.02890 325034 or in each Parish Sacristy after Mass

PARISH COLLECTIONS - 25th August 2019

Weekly Offering: **£566;**

Building Fund: **£415.**

2nd collection this week: Monthly 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.



SEASON OF CREATION

1st September - World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation

1 September to 4 October (Feast of St. Francis of Assisi) - The Season of Creation is marked throughout the Christian world .

We are not God. The Earth was here before us and was given to us. Pope Francis

Our church is a drop off point for the West Belfast Cross **Community Foodbank and St Patrick's Soup Kitchen**. Please support these initiatives.

SILENT PROTEST ABOUT PLANNED LIBERALISATION OF ABORTION Friday, 6th September 2019, 7pm,

Stormont Estate. Wear black or dark colours / Carry a mobile phone or other electric light. Strictly no banners, slogans or flyers other than the above. We Were Not Asked – They Cannot Speak. **@Nlvoiceless**

MARCH FOR THEIR LIVES Please join us for this crucial march at Custom House Square, Belfast, on 7th September at 2.00pm, to show our politicians that abortion is NOT IN OUR NAME! Mass will be celebrated at St Patrick's Chapel, Donegal Street, at 1pm. Coaches will be leaving from all over Ireland. For more info please contact Precious Life on 028 9027 8484 or email info@preciouslife.com

MASS BOUQUETS may be acquired from the Sacristy or the Repository Shop.

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Option 3 - Parish Priest; **Option 4** -

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