



Parish Bulletin

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST

FALLS ROAD

8 SEPTEMBER 2019

**23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
YEAR C**

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

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION takes place 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.

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.

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

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

MONTH'S MIND: John Rodger's (Died in California)

FIRST ANNIVERSARIE: John Gillespie

ANNIVERSARIES: Billy & Walter Gaffney, Kathleen Gaffney, Jenny Daney

REMEMBER ALSO: 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.

HOUSE OF PRAYER gathering will resume on Wednesday, 11 September in the Green Room of the church from 7pm -8pm

Everyone welcome

Further information from Mary - 07821190906

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

If you feel a need to return to celebrating your faith.. If you feel you need to get a deeper understanding of your catholic faith.. If you feel you would like to explore and enquire into the Catholic faith with a view possibly of Baptism or into what it is Catholics believe....

Encounter the presence of the Spirit of God in our weekly meetings. Spend an hour and a half **each Thursday evening** exploring the Catholic Faith. Programme commences 24th October 2019 @ St Mary's 25 Marquis Street, Belfast BT1 1JJ

SAINTS AND COMMEMORATIONS

Sunday (8th) - The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary; **Monday** (9th) - St Ciaran, abbot; **Tuesday** (10th) - St Peter Claver, priest;

Wednesday (11th) - St Deiniol, bishop - Saint Deiniol was a Welsh prince who became the first Bishop of Bangor consecrated by Saint David in 545. He was responsible for building up the church in this region by founding monastic communities and churches. He died at Bangor Fawr in 584 but was buried at Bardsey Island;

Thursday (12th) - The Most Holy Name of Mary; **Friday** (13th) - St John Chrysostom, bishop & doctor of the Church; **Saturday** (14th) - The Exaltation of the Holy Cross.



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)

COLOURING IN SHEETS We now provide colouring in sheets (based on the Gospel of the relevant Sunday) and crayons for children.

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

PARISH COLLECTIONS - 1st September 2019

Weekly Offering: **£546**

Monthly Stipend : **£436**

2nd collection this week: Building Fund;
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.

LIVING Laudato Si'

"Everybody's talents and involvement are needed to redress the damage caused by human abuse of God's creation."

(Pope Francis, Laudato Si')

MCMILLAN COFFEE MORNING

Coffee Morning for Mcmillan Cancer Support will take place in the Parish Hall on Friday 27th September between 9am and 12pm. We are looking for a few volunteers to bake some buns or cakes for this event.. If it sounds like you, contact Conor on 9031411 (Opt 2).



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

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

PARISH DRAW

We are looking for volunteers to join the parish draw promoters' team. If you would like to know more information, please phone Conor on 028 90314112 (**£50 Promoters' prize once a month**)

VOLUTEERS NEEDED

Have you a spare 2 hours every second Tuesday to help clean the church? If you would like to help please contact Conor on 028 90 314112

CONTACT DETAILS

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

Option 3 - Parish Priest; **Option 5** - Bethany Bereavement Support Group

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