

**GIFT Retreat:** If your child is in Year 9 or 10, they are welcome to attend our retreat which will take place on Saturday 24th June to Newcastle, Co Down. Transport and lunch will be provided. If your child would like to attend, please contact the parish office during opening hours to book a place.

**Corpus Christi** We had a beautiful Mass on Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> June at 11am with the children returning in their First Communion Outfits. The Ice Cream Van was a lovely treat after Mass.

Annual Novena Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine & County Mayo: Monday 14<sup>th</sup> August – Friday 18<sup>th</sup> August. For more information contact Patricia on 01268 762278 / 07740 175557

**Cara Retreat – Come and Rest a While:** Does your son or daughter Have a learning disability? Why not take some time out to reflect, pray and to meet other parents. Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> June from 10am – 1pm at The Living Church Offices – 120 Cliftonville Road, Belfast. To book your place contact Louise on 07922 437679 **Rota's:** The first draft of the new rotas from July to September are available to collect from the Church porch or to view online via the parish website. If you are away on holidays during any of the dates, you are scheduled to cover reading or Eucharistic Minister duties, please let one of the sacristans know and cover will be arranged. **P7 School Leavers Mass:** There will be a special Mass on Friday 23rd of June at 10am for all the children who are leaving St Patrick's and St Mary's Primary schools. You are very welcome to join. Please remember to keep the children in your prayers.

#### Father's Day Blessing

God took the strength of a mountain, the majesty of a tree, the warmth of the summer sun, the calm of a quiet sea, the generous soul of nature, the comforting arm of night, the wisdom of the ages, the power of the eagle's flight, the joy of a morning in spring, the faith of a mustard seed, the patience of eternity, the depth of a family need. Then God combined these qualities, when there was nothing more to add, he knew his masterpiece was complete, and so, he called it .....Dad.

### WEEKLY BULLETIN Sunday 18th June 2023 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time

<u>Weekly Collection: £1177</u> <u>Mission Appeal: £</u>1015.88 <u>Online/Card Machine:</u> 9th-15th June: £85.50 <u>Recent Expenditure:</u> <u>Repairs to Church Car</u> <u>Park Gate £ 438.72</u> The Sanctuary Lamp will burn this week for Joe & Geraldine Creaney (RIP)

WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE Monday: 10.00am Tuesday: 7.00pm Wednesday: 10.00am Thursday: 7.00pm *(Norena Prayers)* Friday: 10.00am *(First Friday 7pm)* Saturday: 7.00pm *(Vigi)* Sunday: 9.00am & 11.00am CONFESSIONS Thursday before Mass

## MINISTRY OF WELCOME

#### We welcome Thomas, who was Baptised recently into our Parish Family.

**Baptisms:** Please email the office for a booking form and more details. Baptisms take place the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month directly after 11am Mass and on Thursday evenings at 6pm. At least one month's notice is required, during which parents meet with a member of our Baptismal Team and the family attends the 11am Sunday Mass weekly, prior to the Baptism. If families are unable to complete the preparation or attend Mass, the Baptism will be rebooked to a time when they can. A total of 20 people are permitted to attend.

**Weddings:** Wedding guests must continue to follow all guidance and adhere to policies and procedures put in place to ensure the safety of all. Couples must contact Fr Declan six months before the date of their wedding to arrange to complete the necessary paperwork. Couples are also required to attend a pre-marriage course. A Wedding Mass is only offered to those who attend Mass in their parish *weekly* during the six-month notice of marriage period.

NB: Parish Staff and volunteers are there to support and help us. Please engage respectfully with them at all times.

# RECENTLY DECEASED

Eileen Kelly Patrick Kearney Fr Kevin McMullan Camilla Fulton Ethna McConville ANNIVERSARIES AT THIS TIME

Kathleen Cunningham Jim McDonald Annie Foley Gerard Maye Kevin Agnew Susan Barker John Creaney Eamonn Mulholland Edward Donaghy Anniversary Mass on Saturday 17th June at 7pmAnniversary Mass on Sunday 18th June at 11amAnniversary Mass on Monday 19th June at 10amAnniversary Mass on Saturday 24th June at 7pmAnniversary Mass on Sunday 25th June at 7pmAnniversary Mass on Sunday 25th June at 11amPatrick Bann-LaveryEileen McKeveneyEileen CreaneyEthna McCrory (16)Georgina MulhollandJohnny McCaviganIoe CreaneyIon

### The Second Collection this week is the Popes Collection

Pathways to the Future: In St Matthews's Gospel, Jesus tells his disciples that "the harvest is rich, but the labourers are few, so ask the Lord of the harvest to send labourers to the harvest". As we begin the process of renewal and plan for the practical changes that this will entail, we invite you to take time to pray and reflect on what this will mean for you personally. What role could you play? How will you use your Baptismal gifts for the glory of God and the love of others? How will you respond to Gods call for you?
Thank you to John for our new seats in the graveyard. Feel free to spend some time in the sun in our new graveyard extension.

## Parish Priest: Fr Declan Mulligan Tel: 028 9265 1214

### EMERGENCIES AND SICK CALLS: 07831 934 756 (in the event you are unable to reach Fr Declan on the emergency number)

028 944 595 600

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