

We welcome Fr Denis Ryan and Fr John Burns to our Parish this weekend. They will be celebrating all Masses on Saturday 7th and Sunday 8th October.

Children in Crossfire: Due to unforeseen circumstances the presentation due to be given this weekend at all Masses by the Children in Crossfire Charity has had to be postponed until the new year. Details of a revised date will follow in due course. The Growing In Faith Together (GIFT) programme is a follow-up to Confirmation for all Year 8's and continues to run in the Community Centre on a Monday evenings from 7pm to 9pm. Altar Servers Club: We welcome all our altar servers to the Church on Saturday 14th October at 4pm for an afternoon of activity, Mass practice and a snack. The afternoon will finish with Mass at 7pm. New members are welcome to join, just come along with a parent or guardian to complete your form.

Apostolic Centenary Year: You are warmly invited to attend the conclusion of Apostolic's Centenary Year. Mass will take place on Mission Sunday, 22nd October 2023 at 2pm in St Mary's, Chapel Lane, Belfast. Fr P J McCamphill, a missionary priest who has recently returned home from Kenya will be the main celebrant. A blessed commemorative plaque and a book recalling the history of Apostolic will be launched and available to buy. If you would like to attend, please leave your name, and contact number with the Parish Office before Sunday 15th October. We hope you can join us for this historic moment

Marriage Enrichment Weekend: 10th-12th November 2023, Co Kildare. An opportunity to energise communication and romance into your marriage! For bookings or more information visit www.marriageencounter.ie/marriage-encounter-weekend

Drumalis Retreat and Conference Centre: A vacancy has arisen for the position of Director within the retreat centre. The position is based on a 3-year fixed term contact. For specification, job description, salary, and application form E: Sakina Lowe @ pltcpsisters@gmail.com alternatively download from http://www.drumalis.co.uk

Closing date for applications – 5pm Thursday 12th October.

WEEKLY BULLETIN Sunday 8th October 2023 27th Sunday in Ordinary **Time** Weekly: £1146.80 <u>Monthly:</u> £,1080.00 **Online/Card Machine** 29/09/23 -06/10/23: £,467.50 Recent Expenditure: Heating Oil for the Church *£*,2427.44

The Sanctuary Candle will burn this week for a Special Intention

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

Thursday before Mass

MINISTRY OF WELCOME

We welcome Isla, who was recently Baptised into our parish family.

Baptisms: Please email the office for a booking form and more details. Baptisms take place the 1st and 3rd 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. Families must also be present at 11am Mass on the morning their child receives the sacrament and be ready to begin immediately after Mass. 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

Alice Greene Brian Morgan Kathleen Mulholland ANNIVERSARIES AT THIS TIME

Hugh Mallon Pat McKillop Peter Deam The Deceased Members of the Magee Family Philomena McMorrow Liam Campbell (27) Mark Toland Martha Cushley Bill Mulholland Annie McCorry Eamon McAlinden

Months Mind Mass on Saturday 28th October at 7pm

Anniversary Mass on Saturday 7th October at 7pm Anniversary Mass on Sunday 8th October at 9am Anniversary Mass on Monday 9th October at 10am Anniversary Mass on Tuesday 10th October at 7pm Anniversary Mass on Wednesday 11th October at 10am The Deceased Members of the McGarrell Family Anniversary Mass on Saturday 14th October at 7pm Sr. Stanislaus McConville

Arthur Mulholland Tommy McAlinden

The Seven Joys of Mary: We have begun our journey through October, which is the month dedicated to Our Lady of the Rosary. Saturday 7th October marks the Feast Day of Our Lady of the Rosary. This week we invite you to take home one of our 'Seven Joys of Mary' prayer booklets and to work through the first joy - "The Annunciation" (including the visitation). Booklets are available in the Church porch. We hope your journey with Mary is a blessed one. The Great Randalstown Bake Off: Competition and coffee morning will take place on Sunday 15th October at 11am in St. MacNissi's Parish Centre, Randalstown. Prizes, raffles, and tasty bakes. Call 07734 570890 or email randalstownpc@downandconnor.org for more information and entry details.

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

St Vincent De Paul Contact Number: 028 9035 1561 www.svp.ie

Lifeline Freephone 0808 808 8000 The Order of The Knights of St Columbanus 028 92 528 916 **Diocesan Safeguarding Office** 028 9049 2798

Parish Office Tel: 02892651214 Email: parishofaandb@yahoo.co.uk. Parish Office open Tuesday – Thursday 10am-4pm. All insertions for the bulletin please leave in the Parochial house red post box, email or phone the parish office before 4pm on Tuesday.