



ST COLMCILLE'S CHURCH, HOLYWOOD PARISH



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Reflection for Lent – Saint Teresa of Calcutta

Lent is the time for greater love. Listen to Jesus' thirst for our love: "Repent and believe!" What are we to repent of? Our indifference, our hardness of heart. What are we to believe? Jesus thirsts even now, in your heart and in the poor. He knows your weakness. He wants only your love, wants only the chance to love you.

Parish Pastoral Council Initiatives during Lent

The Bethany Bereavement Support Group will assist at the Stations of the Cross on Sunday at 5pm

Stations of the Cross during the Sundays of Lent commence this **Sunday 4th March at 5pm**. This is a wonderful way to pray as a family during the parish Lenten journey. Bring the whole family and invite friends. The PPC have invited all the other churches in Holywood to be part of our prayer walk. Come along!

One Day Lenten Retreat with the St Teresa of Calcutta's nuns in Armagh is being organised on **Saturday 24th March** pickup at Holywood at 8.30am at Spafield Carpark. Leaving Armagh at 4.00pm. Full retreat programme, Talks, Confession, Mass & lunch provided. Cost for bus only - £12. Please contact Jacinta Crockford during office hours 10am-2pm on 9042-2167.



WOMEN'S WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

was on Friday 2nd March. Please continue to pray for blessings on all the women involved in bringing this unifying prayer to the Holywood community of Churches.

The MARCH, HOLY WEEK and EASTER rotas for Readers and Eucharistic Ministers are available in the small room to the side of the altar and online on our website.

NASCA Community Festival 13th – 16th March 2018

in the Holywood Library. All welcome.

Tuesday 13th at 7pm – Aspects of Irish Myth and Folk Tradition (talk in English)

Thursday 15th at 2.30pm – The Raidió na Gaeltachta Story (talk in English)

Friday 16th at 2.30pm – Children's Storytelling Show (Bilingual Theatre Show)

"How much longer will you set on a victim, all together, intent on murder, like a rampart already leaning over, a wall already damaged?" Psalms 62:3. Today we pray for the people of Eastern Ghouta in Syria. Hundreds of innocent civilians have been killed in the bombing of the past two weeks including many children. Trócaire's partners continue to work on the ground in horrendous conditions. We pray for those who can resolve this crisis to find the political will to do so. To find out more on Trócaire's work visit www.trocaire.org

REMEMBERING OUR DEPARTED

Recently Deceased:

Dan Horan, Brian O'Connor, Bruce Lillburn (England)

Mary Gertrude Bodingham, Niall O'Connor

Anniversaries:

May Graham, Bena Hanratty, Teresa Moynes, Mary McIlroy, Hannah

Magee, Patrick Magee, George Keating, Maurice Keating, Bernard

Garvey, Tony Hill, Kathleen Close, John O'Flaherty, Thomas Quinn.



MASS TIMES

Saturday vigil Mass

6.30pm

Sunday

10am & 12noon

Weekday Mass

Monday, Tuesday,
Wednesday, Thursday
at 9.30am

Friday at 7.00pm

**Tuesday - St Anthony's
Novena during Mass.**

**Friday – Novena of Our
Lady of Perpetual
Succour during Mass.**

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#### Eucharistic Adoration Every Saturday

10.00am – 5.00pm

And before weekday Mass  
for 1/2hr

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Baptism by appointment.
Marriage by appointment.

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Website for prayer and  
reflection:

[www.universalis.com](http://www.universalis.com)

[www.shalomworld.org](http://www.shalomworld.org)

[www.sacredspace.ie](http://www.sacredspace.ie)

[www.icatholic.ie](http://www.icatholic.ie)

[www.cafod.org.uk/prayer](http://www.cafod.org.uk/prayer)

### Prayer – Collect

O God, author of every mercy  
and of all goodness, who in  
fasting, prayer and almsgiving  
have shown us a remedy for sin,  
look graciously on this  
confession of our lowliness, that  
we, who are bowed down by our  
conscience. Amen.



# 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in LENT 4<sup>th</sup> March 2018

“My eyes are always on the Lord.”

**CENTERING PRAYER GROUP on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> March 2018 in IONA at 7.45pm.**

## BOOK YOUR TICKETS

### ST PATRICK'S DAY, 17TH MARCH

The Emerald Ball will take place at Titanic, Belfast. The evening will commence with drinks at 7pm, to be followed by a superb four course dinner at 8pm. There will be a luxury ballot and dancing to a live band. Dress is formal and monies raised will support the Down and Connor Lourdes Pilgrimage for the Sick. Tickets are £60 each and available from the pilgrimage secretary, Sinead on 028 9064 6040 or the Drumbo Parish office on 028 9081 2238.

**FATIMA** 7 Nights F/B, staying at the Hotel Avenida, 16th / 23rd Aug'. Full Religious Programme with Optional Tours. Spiritual Director Fr Martin Graham. £679pps includes all transfers. For further details contact Joe Catney, 90714001 or 07776425631

## LENT PRAYER SESSIONS

St Colmcille's parish, 191 Upper Newtownards Road BT4 3JB, will offer a programme of prayer in Lent. The sessions will be based around Lectio Divina and Visio Divina. The programme of prayer will take place in St Colmcille's Parochial Hall on **Tuesdays 6th, 13th and 20th March at 7.30pm** and will be repeated on the subsequent **Friday mornings, 9th, 16th and 23rd March at 10.00am.** Enquiries to Noleen 07879 498131

**Ards CCE St Patrick's Night Celebrations, featuring all Ards cce groups,** music, song, Irish dancing. The Rabbit Rooms, 30/32 Quay St, Bangor - function room **Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> March** at 8pm. £5 at the door includes light supper. Great ballot prizes. More info Niall McClean 07960072218 or Ards cce facebook.

## FRIDAY 2<sup>ND</sup> – SUNDAY 4<sup>TH</sup> MARCH

**The loss of a partner through death,** separation or divorce is devastating. **Beginning Experience** is offering 'a weekend away for a lifetime of change' at Drumalis, Larne. To find out more, contact **Phil: 02890 207645** or **Marie 07896119669** or email **bebelfast@hotmail.com.** Support group continues Wednesday evenings at 8pm in St Bride's Hall, Derryvolgie Ave. Belfast.

## FRIDAY 9<sup>TH</sup> MARCH

*Music for a Lenten Evening* in St. Brigid's Church at 7.30pm. St. Peter's Cathedral Schola Cantorum directed by Mr Nigel McClintock and St. Brigid's Choir directed by Dr Niall Leonard. Programme includes: Allegri's Miserere and Faure's Requiem. All welcome – Retiring Collection

## SATURDAY 10<sup>TH</sup> MARCH

**Rally to "SAVE THE 8TH"** – a massive pro-life Rally will be held in Dublin. Join thousands from across Ireland in support of the 8th Amendment of the Irish Constitution that protects unborn babies. Coaches travelling to the Rally from towns across Northern Ireland. For further details please contact the Rally for Life Committee on **02890278484** or click on **www.rallyforlife.net**

## 9<sup>TH</sup> – 11<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2018

**Vocation Discernment Weekend: Dominican Contemplative Nuns** welcome single young women (20-40) to our retreat house and offer the opportunity to experience our life of **Venue:** Siena Monastery, The Twenties, Drogheda, Co Louth **Contact:** Sr M Breda OP – [siena3@eircom.net](mailto:siena3@eircom.net) or Tel: 041-9838524; [www.dominicannuns.ie](http://www.dominicannuns.ie)

## FRIDAY 16<sup>TH</sup> MARCH

To mark the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the opening of St Patrick's College, Knock past pupils, parents, staff and former governors are invited to a Mass of Thanksgiving at 7.30pm in Our Lady and St Patrick's College, Knock. For further details telephone 028 9040 1184 or email [office@olspck.org](mailto:office@olspck.org)

## Holy Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> until Easter Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> April

The Benedictine Monks, Rostrevor invite men (18-40) to an Easter Triduum Retreat. *"Prefer nothing to Christ, because he preferred nothing to you"* (St Cyprian) Take time to reflect. Examine your life and consider your call. If interested, please contact: Br Thierry – T:4173-9979 or [benedictinemonks@btinternet.com](mailto:benedictinemonks@btinternet.com) Facebook: Benedictine Monks Rostrevor – Twitter: @rostrevormonks

## FRIDAY 27<sup>TH</sup> APRIL

*Living Youth - Habitat for Humanity* are hosting a Gala Ball, in support of the African partnership, in the beautiful Titanic suite! If you are interested in attending, or would like to know more, please get in touch with Kiera on 028 90 232 432. Furthermore, you can purchase your tickets on the Habitat for Humanity website: <https://www.habitatni.co.uk/donate/gala-ball-2018>.

## 10<sup>TH</sup> -14<sup>TH</sup> APRIL

*42nd Street* - St. Agnes' Choral Society are excited to be producing the Broadway Classic, 42nd Street, The show is also currently running in The West End but why not avail of the chance to see it in The Grand Opera House? Tickets can be purchased online at [www.goh.co.uk](http://www.goh.co.uk) or via the Box Office on 028 9024 1919

**The Parish of Drumbo & Carryduff** - Pilgrimage to the Holy Land (*Tuesday 22 - Wednesday 30 May 2018*) Drumbo Parish invite you to join their Pilgrimage to the Holy Land – *In The Footsteps of Christ & the Holy Family* Package price - £1,440 per person sharing. This includes return coach transfers from Carryduff to Dublin Airport, return flights with British Airways, generous luggage allowance, 4\* Hotels on a half board basis (3 nights Tiberias / 4 nights Jerusalem) & all excursions. If you are interested to receive further information please contact the Parish Office on 028 90812238 **opt 2** or Anam Cara Travel - 02825 821 690 This pilgrimage is organised and coordinated by Anam Cara Travel (Co Antrim) **LIMITED PLACES REMAINING!**