

### MASSES

Saturday Vigil 6.00pm  
Sunday 9.30am 11.00am, 12.30pm  
Weekdays 10.00am, 7.15pm

### CONFESSIONS

**Saturday** 10.30am, and before evening Mass  
Eve of Holydays & eve of First Fridays:  
10.30am. and before evening Mass

### BAPTISMS DATES:

Every Saturday at 7.00pm  
Parochial House 71267070  
Email:office@holyfamilyparish.com

Parish Sisters 71260398  
Holy Family School 71267798  
St. Eithne's School 71377077  
www.holyfamily-parish.com

### PARISH GROUPS

Tues: 8pm Choir Practice  
Wed 8.00pm Adult Education  
Thurs 7.45pm Scripture Group  
New members welcome!

## LEARNING FROM THE SEAGULLS

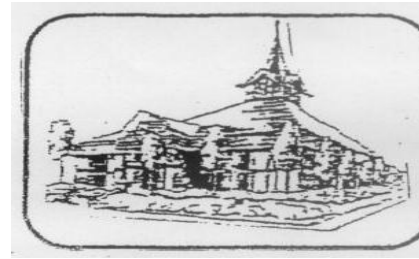
It's a chilly day by the seaside, far too windy for my comfort. But the gulls don't seem to mind the wind.

In fact they seem to enjoy it. I watch them flying about: They go with it, they go against it, they soar into the sky, they plunge back to earth.

All the time they are using the wind, they are availing of its power.

And I reflect on how we, the disciples of Jesus are so easily blown off course by the winds of adversity.

*Lord send us the Holy Spirit who will enable us to turn the hard and easy to our advantage, so that everything that happens to us may bear us along the road to your kingdom.*



## HOLY FAMILY CHURCH

Sun 25th May 2014 Vol.31 No 21

### TIME TO LISTEN

I tried to catch your attention this morning: Remember when you came back to your seat and closed your eyes and put your head reverently down and talked and talked and talked to me.

I wanted you to listen. I wanted to tell you to open your eyes and look at my broken body, all around you.

I am your fellow parishioner, whom you meet everyday in the street, and you ignore me, busy about your own concerns.

I am your next door neighbour whom you spend so much time gossiping about and criticising. And it saddens me, all the coldness, all the squabbling, and diversions and those endless running battles, that scourge me and crown me with thorns. If you love me feed my sheep and start in your own home.

Please don't keep me at bay any longer. Don't talk to me óListen

I don't want you to go on loving my spirit and ignoring my body. I don't want you to open your mouth, to receive my body and close your eyes and ears to shut it out. Stop thinking of me as some kind of spiritual being in the skies. I am one of these people and you cannot have me without them.

On the last day I won't ask you how many times you attended churchô that is not your holiness.

I will ask you how your own community, family, and neighbours fared? How they grew in love and faith? How did they live their prayer? How did you spread its love within your house and across your neighbourhood?

Please open your eyes and ears and make time to listen.

**SPECIAL PRAYER TIME FOR THOSE DOING EXAMS JOHN PAUL 11 Group** are having a time of Prayer and Benediction on Monday after evening Mass for those who are doing exams. All welcome

**SYMPATHY** We offer our sympathy to the family and friends of Pat Mallett Whitehouse Park who died during the week. May she rest in peace.

**BAPTISMS** Our parish family welcomes:

Kendra Micki Breslin  
94 Kylemore Park

**Anniversaries** We pray for Kevin McCallion Sadie Wray, Daniel McCay, Geraldine Murphy, Assumpta McElwee, Thomas Ward James Kelly

**GROUP GUIDED PRAYER** Thursdays immediately after evening Mass. For quiet reflective prayer on the Gospel for Sunday. All welcome

**SUNDAY COLLECTION** 18th May amounted to £2026.26 and p179.34. Thank you

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS**  
**JUNE**

**Vigil Mass** Leanne Nelis Paul Kyte Sorcha Brady Sr. Paula

**9.30am** Marianne McClelland Myra Grant Doreen Rice Wray

**11.00am** Theresa Ferry Jackie Quigg Madeline Austin

**12.30 a.m.** Gerry Sharkey Bronagh Sharkey Rachel Brown Emma Bradley Mary McLaughlin

**READERS FOR FEBRUARY**

6.00pm Sr. Anne  
9.30am Ken Austin  
11.00am Jackie Conway Anna Begley  
12.30pm Patricia Murphy

**THE FRANCISCAN FRIARS OF THE RENEWAL** will take up residence in St Joseph's, Galliagh on Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> June. Mass to mark this occasion will be celebrated by Bishop Donal McKeown on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> June at 7 pm in St Joseph's church. All are welcome.

**MASS** in honour of Blessed Alexandrina will be held in Termonbacca today Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> May at 7:30 pm. Everyone welcome.

**CEMETERY SUNDAY** The Annual Service of Intercession for the Dead takes place in the City Cemetery on **Sunday, 22 June at 6.00 pm.**

**ST COLUMBA PILGRIMAGE WALK** Walking Pilgrimage from Long Tower Church to Thornhill on Saturday, 31<sup>st</sup> May beginning at 9.00am. This pilgrimage will be a wonderful occasion to walk in prayer through the city stopping at some of the ancient sites of Christianity. If you would like to take part telephone the Long Tower Office on 71262301.

**Mc MILLAN COFFEE MORNING** Every Friday at 10am-12.30pm in Community Centre Shaw Court.

**MASS** in honour of St Pio The monthly Mass will be celebrated on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> June at 7 pm in St Joseph's church, Galliagh. Please note change of church and time for this occasion.

**MASS FOR THE SICK** with Eucharistic Blessing will take place in Termonbacca, on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> May, beginning at 8 p.m. All welcome

**ACCORD DERRY** ó Marriage Preparation Workshops  
September 5/6<sup>th</sup> 2014  
October 3/4<sup>th</sup> 2014 in Ardmore Parish Centre Booking now online  
[www.accordni.com](http://www.accordni.com) or telephone Accord Derry 7136247

**STORYTELLING** for under 7's in Central Library, Foyle Street, at 2pm every Saturday. All welcome

**Summer Walking Group** Age Concern Derry is running a walking group every second Wednesday afternoon in the summer months. The group meet at 2pm If you are over 60 and love walking, come along and join the walking group. For more information telephone 71 347478.

**FOYLE HOSPICE FEMALE** Walk/Run, Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> June, 1:30pm, Start Templemore Sports Complex and finish Ebrington Square. Register now at Foyle Hospice 61 Culmore Road 71359888 or Foyle Hospice Shop, Waterloo Place. Together We Care.

**HOLY FAMILY PILGRIMAGE**

**LOURDES: 16-21ST JULY.**

£625. Deposit £200.

Savings and Deposits Parochial

House Thursdays 8-9pm

Tel 07732468511

**ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS** available in the local area 7 nights a week. Contact AA at 90434848

**CANCER AWARENESS** information session free for everyone in Glenview, Cedar Street. Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> May from 1-3pm. Attending are Pink Ladies **Are you 50+.** **COSY Club** are running a luxury coach to the Titanic Centre in Belfast & shopping in the city centre on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> June. Afterwards go to Mals for a two course meal. Price is £21. call 71370196 email [info@cosyclub.org](mailto:info@cosyclub.org)

**THE PLAYHOUSE** Call Mr **Robeson-** A Life, With Songs Actor, singer and civil rights campaigner Paul Robeson, one of the 20<sup>th</sup> Century's most impressive but overlooked figures, performance by Tayo Aluko at the Playhouse Thur 29 May 8pm. Tickets £11/ £9.

**Turn up the Wick** "Catch us while we are still alive!" Join legendary local entertainers Joe Cauley and Trevor Burnside for an evening of comedy, The Playhouse on Saturday 31 May, 8pm. Tickets £8 Contact 71268027