

St Peter's Cathedral Parish Newsletter

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MASS TIMES IN THE CATHEDRAL

Daily Masses Monday – Saturday 10.00 am. Tuesday 7.30 pm

Saturday Vigil Mass: 6.30 pm

Sunday Masses 9.00 am, 11.00 am & 6.30 pm

Confessions after 10.00 am Mass on Saturday

Healing Service after 10am Mass every Tuesday

Baptisms for March 2010 in the Cathedral

Baptisms will be held on the 14th March & 28th March at 1.00pm sharp.

Baptisms are celebrated on the 2nd & 4th Sundays of each month.

Please give 1 months notice. **Contact the Parish Sisters Tel: 9024 6238**

St Peter's Cathedral Parish Draw

9th February 2010

£25 – Mrs C Sharkey, 31 Ross Road (493)

£25 – Margaret Curistan, 133 Ross Road (510)

£25 – Mrs Rowntree, 18 Lower Clonard Street (524)

£25 – D L McErlane, 5 Lisfadden Street (311)

£50 – J McMenemy, 113 Albert Street (403)

Ash Wednesday

Today is observed as a day of Fast and

Abstinence

Mass Times

10.00am & 7.30pm

Ashes will be blessed and distributed at both Masses.

Collection 30th/31st January

£891.78

Haiti Collection

A special thank you to all those who donated to the Haiti Collection held in the Cathedral last week. A total amount of £2795.64 was raised.

Pre-Signed Mass Cards

The practice of having Mass offered for the deceased is a praiseworthy tradition in the Catholic Church which manifests the centrality of the Eucharist in our Faith. It responds to the scriptural invitation to pray for the dead as well as extending prayerful support to those mourning the death of someone they love. Unfortunately some individuals and companies have exploited this tradition by offering pre-signed Mass Cards for sale in shops and commercial outlets. This gives the impression that Masses will be offered. Sadly, this is not the case. It has come to the Diocesan Liturgy Commissions attention that some of these commercial, pre-signed Mass Cards are being sold in the diocese, distributed by MCC suppliers of signed Mass Cards based in Longford and owned by Thomas McNally. It is claimed that the priests signing these cards live in third world countries. After investigation into those priests, it was found that not all the names could be traced. It was also found that some of the priests were dead while others were no longer priests in good standing in the Church.

27th Annual Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes

The 27th Annual Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes take place this July under the leadership of Bishop Treanor. Fare, inclusive of all charges and including return flight from Belfast to Lourdes and full-board in hotels in Lourdes, is:

5 Nights → July 11th – 16th → £545

7 Nights → July 10th – 17th → £595

Youth Teams → July 10th – 17th → £475

For further information and application forms see Parish clergy or Posters displayed in the porch.

Music in the Cathedral

February

Saturday 13th 6.30pm – Sung Mass with St Columb's Cathedral, Derry & St Peter's Cathedral Schola Cantorum

Sunday 21st 5.00pm – Choral Vespers and Rite of Election

Friday 26th 6.30pm – St Peter's Cathedral Schola Recital

Saturday 27th 6.30pm – Vigil Mass sung by Methodist College Chapel Choir, Nelson Mass – Haydn

See website for further details and dates: www.stpeterscathedralbelfast.com



Anniversaries

*Patsy Higgins, Daniel Hillis, John & Ann Gough, Agnes Curley, Geard Joe Hanson,
Emma & Joe McGuigan, Phyllis Kennedy,
Bobby Russell, James McKernan and Mary May McNulty*
May the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.
We also pray for our recently deceased,
David Adams, James Braniff, John Paul Weldon, Helen Auld and David Martin

Tours of St. Peter's Cathedral

St Peter's Cathedral was opened amidst much celebration on 14th October 1866 on the site of land donated by the famous Belfast baker, Barney Hughes. The social, religious and architectural history of this Belfast jewel will now be open up to the public in the format of a fortnightly tour. Join tour guide, Steven Corr, as the history and architecture of the Cathedral, a landmark building is brought to life!

GUIDED TOURS WILL BE GIVEN ON THE 1ST & 3RD SUNDAYS OF EACH MONTH
Meet in the Cathedral Hall for a cup of tea/coffee at 12.15pm

Trócaire boxes available for collection at rear of Cathedral

Retrouvaille

Do you feel anxious about your marriage?
Are there signs of tension or trouble?

The next Retrouvaille Weekend will take place on Friday 9th – Sunday 11th April in Dromantine, Newry.
For more information please contact Aidan & Pauline 07564 214825 *All enquires strictly confidential.*

LENT 2010

Do you feel we live in a drinks culture? Are you concerned about alcohol abuse? You can make a difference. Will you give up alcohol for Lent? That's one type of fasting. We invite you to take a Temporary Pledge with the Pioneer Association, say a short prayer daily and offer you sacrifice to God for someone suffering with an addiction.
Call 028 9032 2744

2010 Pilgrimages – Contact Rita O'Neill 028 9062 3186

Holy Land

6th – 15th September Direct from Belfast International
£989pps. Includes, half board, taxes, Spiritual Director, etc.

Fatima

27th May & 22nd July
£599pps. Includes full board and en suite

Fr Pat Collins speaking in St Anne's Cathedral

One of the best-known teachers in the Catholic Church in Ireland on renewal, reconciliation and healing, Fr Pat Collins, will be speaking in St Anne's Cathedral, Donegall Street, Belfast, on Monday 22nd February at 8.00pm. Fr Collins is a member of the Servite Community and he will address the theme 'Inner Healing and Forgiveness'.
Personal prayer for healing will be available at this service. You will be very welcome to come and join us.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS AT DRUMALIS (FEBRUARY 2010)

Be the Change" Symposium: Our responsibility towards God's Creation organized by Sr Margaret Rose McSparran CP & Drumalis Environment Group. Come and be part of this exploration into the underlying causes and possible solutions to the critical planetary issues of our time. (Participants can attend on a residential, non-residential or Saturday only basis)

26th February - 28th February

For further information, please contact Drumalis during office hours (Monday - Friday, 9 am - 5 pm)
- tel **028 2827 2196** or email drumalis@btconnect.com

Conway Education Centre 028 9024 8543: February – June 2010

The following classes are available: ECDL, Introduction to IT, Digital Camera, ESOL course English language for non-English speakers, Web design using 'Flash', Essential Skills Numeracy and Literacy, Bach Flower Remedies, Breast Cancer Awareness, Parenting your Teen short course, History of Belfast, Introduction to Aromatherapy and Creative writing Class.

LIGHT AS A LEAF - Join our informal weigh and advice at the Laurel Leaf Bar on Wednesday nights 7pm - 8pm. All Welcome. No joining fee. £4 per week and £3 for senior citizens and students.

Weight Loss Programme

Reid McKernan School of Dance – Irish Dancing classes for children at Cultúrlann. Every Tuesday 5.00pm – 6.30pm
£4 per class
Call Sheelagh 07973773305