

Parish of Bangor, Member of Ards Pastoral Community

Fourth Sunday of Lent - 11 March 2018

THE STATIONS OF THE CROSS DURING LENT

THIS SUNDAY 11 MARCH AT 4.30PM - ST COMGALL'S CHURCH, BANGOR

During Lent we will be praying the **STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

in one of the 3 Churches of Bangor Parish on the Sundays in Lent at **4.30pm**.

We would like a family to carry the cross for each of the stations during the read mediation in each of the Churches, **please contact the parish office during office hours**. The dates are as follows:

Week 4 - 11 March	-	St Comgall's Church, Brunswick Road
Week 5 - 18 March	-	Most Holy Redeemer, Ballyholme
Week 6 - 25 March	-	St Comgall's Church, Donaghadee



Amoris Laetitia – The Joy of Love Reflection Week 4

On the subject of Married Love, Pope Francis has this to say:
"Tenderness...is a sign of a love free of selfish possessiveness."
(P75, Par127)

World Meeting of Families on 21-26 August 2018 Dublin Update

REGISTER NOW! www.worldmeeting2018.ie

Each day of the Pastoral Congress will explore themes from *The Joy of Love*.

THE GOSPEL
OF THE FAMILY
Joy for the World

<p>Wednesday 22 August Theme: The Family and Faith. Themes from Chapters 1 to 3 of <i>The Joy of Love</i> Main celebrant & Homilist H.E. Cardinal Oswald Gracias, Archbishop of Bombay, India. Main Arena Keynote Speaker H.E. Cardinal Donald Wuerl, Archbishop of Washington, United States of America Access Wednesday Programme Details</p>	<p>Thursday 23 August Theme: The Family and Love. Themes from Chapters 4 to 6 of <i>The Joy of Love</i>. Main celebrant & Homilist H.E. Cardinal João Braz de Aviz, Prefect of the Congregation for Institutes of Consecrated Life and Societies of Apostolic Life. Main Arena Keynote Speaker H.E. Cardinal Vincent Nichols, Archbishop of Westminster, England. Thursday Programme Details</p>	<p>Friday 24 August Theme: The Family and Hope. Themes from Chapters 7 to 9 of <i>The Joy of Love</i>. Main celebrant & Homilist H.E. Cardinal Kevin Farrell, Prefect of the Dicastery for Laity, Family and Life. Main Arena Keynote Speaker H.E. Cardinal Mario Zenari, Apostolic Nuncio to Syria. Friday Programme Details</p>
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TROCAIRE ROMERO AWARD - Get involved! See our website for more information www.bangorparish.com

Sunday Mass Times this week:

Bangor: Vigil 6.30 pm,
10.30 am, 12.30 pm.
Donaghadee: Sun 9.30 am.
Ballyholme: 11 am.

Hollywood: Vigil 6.30 pm;
10 am and 12 noon.

Newtownards: Vigil 6.30 pm; 11.30 am.

Comber: 10.00 am.

Weekday Mass Times:

Bangor: Monday 10am Funeral Mass
Tuesday - Thursday 9.30 am.
Friday as announced.

Ballyholme: As announced.

Confessions: Sat 5.30 pm.

Baptisms: 1st and 3rd Sunday of the Month at 2pm.
Four weeks notice required. Register online at www.bangorparish.com

Your prayers are requested for:

Recently Deceased:

Patricia McKenna, Dympna Finlay, May Byrne

Anniversaries:

Maura McLaughlin, Derek Finnegan, Eamonn O'Reilly, Sean Lennon, Bridget Rice, Michael Coyle, Varkey Thomas, James Reilly, Anne Owens, Janet Bereen, Patrick McGrogan, Patrick Linehan, James and Edith Williamson, Marie McNeill, John Caulfield, Kevin and Mary O'Kane, John Magill, Anne McAlea, Isobel Gregory, Bob and Molly Davison, Mary Anderson, Hannah Carlin, Jim Carey, Stella Morrow, Sarah Doherty, Damien Morrow

The second collection this weekend is for the parish refurbishment fund.

Perpetual Adoration

St Comgall's Church
Monday 10.30am-9.30pm.

This weekend the meeting of the **International Friends of St Columbanus**

takes place in Bangor. To mark this event there will be a free concert in the Abbey at 7.30pm on Sat 10 March with music provided by Bangor Ladies Choir, The Coro Di Andorra and Bangor Traditional Group. All are welcome.

St Patrick's Day

Saturday 17 March is a holy day of obligation, the mass times are:
Ballyholme: 9am
Bangor: 1pm

"Motherhood: All love begins and ends there" - Robert Browning

This Mothering Sunday we pray for mothers across the developing world who strive to create a better future for their children. Mothers like those in Kenya, Somalia, South Sudan and Ethiopia where a hunger crisis still grips the land. Mothers there are doing without food so their children can have a little more to eat. To find out more about Trócaire's Lenten campaign visit www.trocaire.org

One Day Lenten Retreat with

St Teresa of Calcutta's nuns in Armagh is being organised on **Sat 24 March**, pickup at Bangor at 8.15am. Leaving Armagh at 4pm. Full retreat programme, Talks, Confession, Mass, lunch provided. Cost for bus only £12. Please contact Jacinta during office hours 10am-2pm on 9042-2167.

Support for the Bereaved If you need to talk to someone about your bereavement, a member of the Bethany Bereavement Support Group can be contacted on the Confidential mobile number: 075 1085 2157.

Our Lady and St Patrick's, Knock

To mark the 50th anniversary of the opening of St Patrick's College, past pupils, parents, staff and former governors are invited to a Mass of Thanksgiving on Fri 16 March at 7.30 pm in the College. For more details tel: 9040 1184 or email office@olspck.org

St Comgall's PS proudly present an adaptation of **'Matilda the Musical'** Tues 20 – Thurs 22 March 7pm in St Comgall's Parish Centre. Tickets: £7.50 available from the school office. Please come along to support us and enjoy a great evening's entertainment!

Meeting for Returned Lay Missionaries & Volunteers

Wed 14 March at 7pm in the Sacred Heart Parish Centre, Glenview St, off Oldpark Rd, Belfast. All are welcome. For more info email jim.farrell@amri.ie or phone/text + 353 83 8422468

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes

Bookings for 2018 Pilgrimage now open
Seven nights (10-17 July) £725 pps,
Five nights (11-16 July) £650 pps.
Five nights for pilgrims requiring nursing/personal care staying in the Accueil Notre Dame (11-16 July) £550.
Youth Team (8-17 July) £590.
Forms available from the Parish Office or contact the Lourdes Pilgrimage Office 9064 6040 or email lourdes@downandconnor.org

Icon Painting Workshop

8-13 October 2018, Knock, Co Mayo
Alexian Brothers Monastery
www.theodoreicons.com/knock

Parish Ministry: Are you aged between 14 and 18? Would you like to become more involved in your Parish? One way is to become a junior Minister of the Word. Training and support will be provided. Please leave your name and contact details at the Parish Office (9146 5522) during office hours or chat to Josh Hall (07921917026) or James McAllister (07751851444).

**Bangor Parish
7 Day Trip to Brittany and Normandy**

From June 25th to July 1st joining the one day St Columbanus International Meeting **in St Coulomb June 30th.**

The cost is 895 euro pp sharing, all breakfasts and dinners included, 3 nights Lisieux, 3 nights St Malo.

Day trips include; Places associated with St Therese, Mont St Michel, Dinard and more. (Courier: Kieran Troy who has led Bangor groups in the recent past). As there is great demand for hotel space in Brittany in this period prompt booking would be highly recommended.

Details on the parish website, church notice board and from the Parish Office.

42nd Street

St Agnes' Choral Society are excited to be producing the Broadway Classic, 42nd Street, from 10-14 April. 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 or via the Box Office on 028 9024 1919

Bangor Support Group

Invite you to a Bridge Evening on Thurs 22nd March at 8pm in Bangor Golf Club. Tables £30.00. To book please call Marie Robinson 9145 4610. In support of NI Children's Hospice.

Easter Duty:each of the faithful is obliged to receive Holy Communion at least once a year. This precept must be fulfilled during Paschal time (Ash Wed to Trinity Sunday) unless for a good reason it is fulfilled at another time during the year". Canon 920.

First Communion gifts, prayer books, rosaries, and accessories are available in our convent shop, St Joseph's, at very reasonable prices. We also carry a range of items for baptism, confirmation etc. What we don't stock we can order! Adoration Convent, 63 Falls Road, Belfast. Open Mon to Fri 9-5pm (except 11:30-2pm). Tel 9024 7175

Parish Envelopes 2018-19

The new parish envelopes will be available for collection for all the parish in St Comgall's Parish Centre next weekend 17/18 March. If any parishioner does not have envelopes and would like some please contact the parish office as soon as possible. welcome.