Parish of St MARY'S on the HILL 11th May 2025

Churches: St Mary's on the Hill & St Bernard's

PRIESTS OF THE PARISH

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RECENTLY DECEASED

Kathleen McCausland, Antrim Rd.

MONTH'S MIND

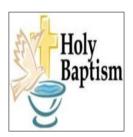
Ursula Begley

ANNIVERSARIES

Moniene McCaffrey, Ita McLaughlin, John McMullan, Agnes & Liam Goss, Sadie Kelly, Colin McNally, Charlie O'Kane, Katie McDonnell, Thomas Boyle.

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

Sat 10 th	6pm	Sadie kelly
Sun 11 th	9am	Agnes & Liam Goss
SMOTH	10am	Ita McLaughlin (1st Anniv)
	11am	Moniene McCaffrey
	12.30pm	John McMullan &
		M/M Ursula Begley
Mon 12 th	9.45am	Charlie O'Kane
Tues 13 th	9.45am	Colin McNally
Wed 14 th	9.45am	
Thur 15 th	9.45am	
Fri 16 th	9.45am	
Sat 17 th	9.45am	



We welcome recently baptised in the parish. Fiachra Tully, Emmett O'Ceallaigh Rían Moore, Clara McConville.

Cemetery Sunday in Hannastown Parish

Hannahstown Cemetery Sunday 25 May 2025 @ 3pm The Rock Cemetery Sunday 8 June 2025 @ 3pm Tullyrusk Cemetery Sunday 15 June 2025 @ 3pm Mass celebrated at each

<u>Habemus Papam!</u>

We thank God for the blessing of a new Pope and keep Pope Leo XIV in our prayers.

JOIN US FOR THE
OUR LADY QUEEN OF PEACE ROSARY NOVENA
IN
ST. MARY'S ON THE HILL CHURCH

Thurs 22nd May- Fri 30th May
Every evening at 8.00pm
(except Tues 27th May at 6.30pm)



Annual Diocesan Church Attendance Survery

If you attend St Bernard's or St Mary's on the Hill Sunday Masses please use your smart phone, laptop or computer to complete our online survey anytime this weekend.

Go to the parish website, click on the icon and enter the relevant information.

stmarysonthehill.online
Thank You.



Parish Developing World Group
Cake Sale
17/18 May
After all the Masses.

Calling all bakers and thank you for all your continuing help, it really makes a difference.

Donations of baking may be left in St Malachy's Room on Saturday 17th May from 2.30pm – 4.00pm. All proceeds go to helping children and young people in Africa.

Cleaner required

St. Bernard's Pre-School Playgroup are looking for a cleaner 5 hours per week term time only with possible extra hours for deep clean during summer. Contact Sonia on 07561051377.



Pope Leo XIV: Greetings to Rome and to the world

Peace be with you! Dearest brothers and sisters, this was the first greeting of the risen Christ, the good shepherd who gave His life for the flock of God. I, too, would like this greeting of peace to enter your hearts, to reach your families and all people, wherever they are; and all the peoples, and all the earth: Peace be with you.

This is the peace of the Risen Christ, a disarming and humble and preserving peace. It comes from God. God, who loves all of us, without any limits or conditions. Let us keep in our ears the weak but always brave voice of Pope Francis, who blessed Rome - the Pope who blessed Rome and the world that day on the morning of Easter.

Allow me to continue that same blessing. God loves us, all of us, evil will not prevail. We are all in the hands of God. Without fear, united, hand in hand with God and among ourselves, we will go forward. We are disciples of Christ, Christ goes before us, and the world needs His light. Humanity needs Him like a bridge to reach God and His love. You help us to build bridges with dialogue and encounter so we can all be one people always in peace. Thank you Pope Francis!

Thank you to my Cardinal brothers who chose me to be the Successor of Peter and to walk together with you as a united Church searching all together for peace and justice, working together as women and men, faithful to Jesus Christ without fear, proclaiming Christ, to be missionaries, faithful to the gospel.

I am a son of Saint Augustine, an Augustinian. He said, "With you I am a Christian, for you a bishop." So may we all walk together towards that homeland that God has prepared for us.

To the Church of Rome, a special greeting:

We have to look together how to be a missionary Church, building bridges, dialogue, always open to receiving with open arms for everyone, like this square, open to all, to all who need our charity, our presence, dialogue, love.

[In Spanish]

Hello to all and especially to those of my diocese of Chiclayo in Peru, a loyal, faithful people accompanying the bishop and helping the bishop.

[Returning to Italian]

To all you brothers and sisters of Rome, Italy, of all the world, we want to be a synodal church, walking and always seeking peace, charity, closeness, especially to those who are suffering.

Today is the day of the Supplicatio [Plea] to Our Lady of Pompei.

Our blessed mother Mary always wants to walk with us, be close to us, she always wants to help us with her intercession and her love. So let us pray together for this mission, and for all of the Church, and for peace in the world.

We ask for this special grace from Mary, our Mother.

Hail Mary... [accompanied by the crowds in St Peter's Square and around the world.]



ANNUAL NOVENA TO OUR MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP

Our theme will be "Pilgrims of Hope"

ST GERARD'S PARISH CHURCH, 722 ANTRIM ROAD MONDAY 12TH TO TUESDAY 20TH MAY 2025

Times—

Monday to Friday 9.30am and 7.30pm
Saturday 9.30am and 6.30pm
Sunday 9.30am 11.30am and 7pm

St Gerard's Parish warmly invite you to participate in our
Annual Novena in honour of
Our Mother of Perpetual Help.

EVERYONE IS WELCOME!





ANNUAL EDMUND RICE LECTURE 2025

All Are Welcome

"Suffer Little Children to Come unto Me"

Matthew 19:14



Speaker: **Dr David Hickey**

On behalf of

Gaza Paediatric Care Initiative



Gaza has the highest number of child amputees per capita in the world.

To date the latest Gaza health authority data indicates that at least 14,500 youngsters have died in the enclave since the start of the war, compared with 12,193 in conflicts globally between 2019 and 2022 – UNICEF Jan. 2025 At least 25,000 children have been injured with some agencies reporting up to 70,000 children injured.

The Gaza Paediatric Care Initiative, (GPCI) is a not for profit organisation founded in 2023 by a team of doctors, nurses, and health professionals based in Ireland. Their single goal is to help children caught in the crossfire of the current conflict in Palestine.



David Hickey, a 3 time All-Ireland winning senior footballer with Dublin and twice an All-Star as well as a semi-professional rugby player with French side La Rochelle, was the lead transplant surgeon in Ireland and recognised as a world authority on transplant, performing over 2000 transplants in Ireland.

Today, he advocates for social justice with children's health close to his heart.

St Mary's University College, Belfast. 7PM, 13th May 2025

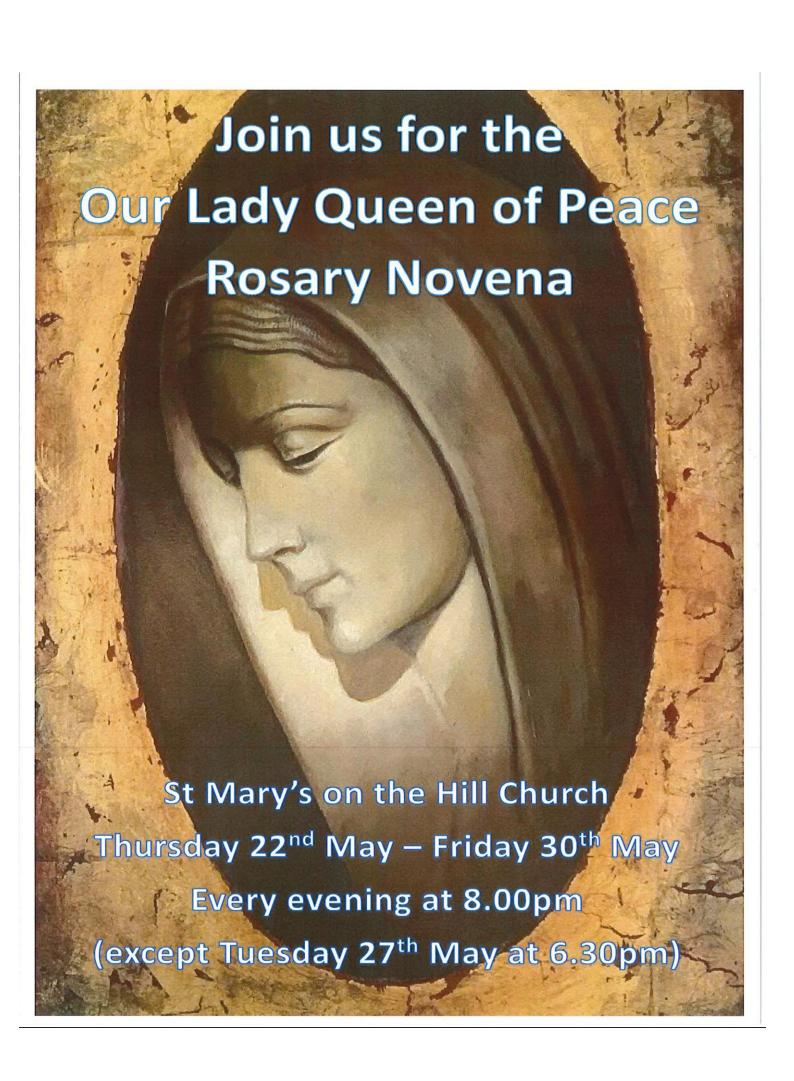


Access via Beechmount Ave entrance. Refreshments served from 6.30pm.

Admission is free, Patrons may wish to make a donation on the night as they wish to GPCI.

To give some indication of numbers please R.S.V.P. by 6th May '25 to Andrea Irwin @ erstni1@live.com

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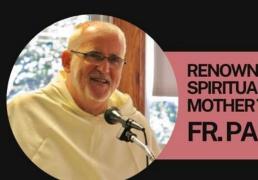






SAINT THÉRÈSE OF LISIEUX





RENOWNED SPEAKER AND SPIRITUAL DIRECTOR OF MOTHER TERESA OF CALCUTTA FR. PAUL MURRAY. OP

Blessing with the Relic of Saint Thérèse of Lisieux

Thursday 22nd May 2025 7:00 PM Holy Family Church Belfast

LOUGH DERG SANCTUARY OF SAINT PATRICK



DOWN AND CONNOR DIOCESAN Three Day Pilgrimage

LED BY BISHOP ALAN MC GUCKIAN SJ & JIM DEEDS

Friday 4th - Sunday 6th July 2025

Cost: £100

(Includes Island Admission & Transport)

For further information and bookings contact:

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2025 - Jubilee Year of Hope - 2025



Join us for an exciting and anointed weekend - don't miss the outpouring!

SCHEDULE

SAT 7TH JUNE 10AM - 10PM

SUN 8TH JUNE 10AM - 3PM

FOOD DRINKS PARKING AVAILABLE 7TH JUNE PENTECOST WEEKEND 2025



£25

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SUMMER SINGING COURSE



7-11 July 2025

5-day singing course for young people who want to improve their singing voice and musical skills.

For young people aged 8-18

To apply scan the QRcode



Session 1

9 A.M. to 12 P.M.

Session 2

1 P.M. to 4 P.M.

Optional Session 3

5 P.M. to 7 P.M.

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