PARISH OF ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST

Falls Family of Parishes
St John's, Corpus Christi,
St Paul's, St Peter's, St Mary's
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"On this mountain,
the Lord of hosts will prepare
for all peoples
a banquet of rich food."
Isaiah 25:6

28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME **11TH OCTOBER 2026**

POPE LEO XIV'S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR OCTOBER

For mental health ministry: Let us pray that mental health ministry be established throughout the Church, helping to overcome the stigma and discrimination of persons with mental illnesses.

MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY

As we continue our celebration of the **Month of the Holy Rosary** and bring our **10 Days of Rosary** to a beautiful conclusion, we invite all parishioners to join us for a **special hour of Eucharistic Adoration and the Holy Rosary.**

Sunday, 11th October 5:00 PM – 6:00 PM In the Church

Let us come together as a parish community to spend time in the loving presence of our Lord in the **Blessed Sacrament**, and to unite our hearts in prayer through the **Holy Rosary.** Come and pray with us, bring your intentions, and let us entrust our families, our parish, and our world to the loving intercession of Our Blessed Mother. **Everyone is warmly invited. We look forward to praying together as one parish family.**

SYCAMORE ADVENT TRAINING PROGRAMME

We would like to the run Sycamore programme in our Parish.
Sycamore program is an informal course about the Cathoilc faith and it's relevance for life today it gives you space to meet other people, share ideas, explore your beliefs, and think about questions that really matter. ***We are looking for volunteers to run this programme in our parish. Would be interested in helping?*** Pathways to the Future is offering an online training session which will provide an overview of the programme, explain how it can be used in parish communities during Advent, and offer practical guidance and resources to help lead the sessions. There will also be an opportunity to ask questions and share ideas with other parish leaders. No previous experience with Sycamore is required. Date: Tuesday 20th October 2026 Time: 7pm – 8.30pm Venue: Zoom There is an online form on the parish website to register your place or please speak to Catherine or Fr Jobin if you are interested in knowing more.

SAVE THE DATE - MEETING OUR PARISH GROUPS

Fr Jobin is keen to meet with all those involved in different ministries within the parish over the coming weeks as he settles into parish life and gets to know people.
Please save the dates below and make every effort to attend
Children's Liturgy Leaders - Sunday 11th October 1pm (after Mass in Seomra Beag)
Ministers of the Word (adults only) - Thursday 15th October 7pm in the Church

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Fr Jobin will anoint the sick in our Gathering Space immediately after the 12 noon Mass on Wednesday 14th October. All are welcome.

THE PARISH DRAW 2026/27

Begins on 13th November. Promoter packs are available from the sacristy, and Conor, the parish manager, will be available after Masses on 24th/25th October and 7th/8th November to sign up new and returning members. Entry costs just £5 per month, with £11,400 in prize money to be won throughout the year. Please support the Parish
"You've got to be in it to win it!"

This Week in St John's

SATURDAY
6pm Vigil Mass

SUNDAY
Mass 12 noon
Rosary & Adoration 5pm

MONDAY
No Mass

TUESDAY
6pm Mass
Confession & Adoration
6.30pm -7.30pm

WEDNESDAY
12 noon Mass
Communion under both species
Anointing of the Sick

THURSDAY
Mass 12 noon
Rosary after Mass

FRIDAY
Mass 12 noon
Confession & Adoration
12.30 -1pm

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Parish Office	Tuesday - Friday 11am -2pm	stjohns@downandconnor.org
Emergency Sick Calls	Please dial 028 90314112 for details of how to contact the priest on duty	

OUR LADY'S ROSARY FESTIVAL

Celebrating Our Lady, Strengthening Faith, Uniting in Christ's Mission.
12th -18th October 2026
Penal Persecutions: Monday 12th Oct 7.15pm Church of the Immaculate Heart of Mary
To Jesus Through Mary: Tuesday 13 Oct 7pm St Malachy's Church, Belfast
Be Reconciled: Thursday 15 October, from 6pm St Mary's, Chapel Lane, Belfast
Annual Rosary Procession: Sunday 18 October, leaving 2.30pm from St Malachy's Church, Alfred Street to St Peter's Cathedral.

BOOK LAUNCH – BJC WITH FR DAVID NEUHAUS SJ

The Belfast Jesuit Centre will host a live, hybrid launch of Conquest or Leaven: Reflections of a Catholic Priest in Palestine/Israel on Monday 19 October at 7.00pm. Fr David Neuhaus SJ will join the BJC audience via video link for a talk, guided conversation, and live Q&A. His reflections on justice, peace and human dignity in the Holy Land will be of interest to all parishioners, especially those involved in twinning or solidarity initiatives, peace-building or social justice.
This is an in-person event and it is not possible to join online.
Books available at a 20% discount. Registration essential.
Please visit belfastjesuitcentre.co.uk/hybrid-book-launch-conquest-or-leaven-by-david-neuhaus-sj/ to register.

'WHO IS MARY IN GOD'S PLAN OF SALVATION?'

All are invited to come and hear from representatives of 6 Christian Churches Martina Purdy will present on behalf of the Roman Catholic tradition. There also will be time for audience questions, chaired by Alf McCreary (Belfast Telegraph, BBC News). This is an opportunity to listen and understand other perspectives. Wednesday, 2nd December 2026 at 7pm in Corr's Corner Hotel, Newtownabbey.
Refreshments will be served. To aid in planning please rsvp to ecumenical@downandconnor.org

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

World Missions Ireland is the official Pontifical charity for overseas mission and aims to share the Gospel and build the Church throughout the world. World Missions reach out to missionaries who work in some of the most inhospitable, marginalised, and disadvantaged communities in the world, offering aid to struggling communities, allowing them to grow and thrive. **Next Sunday 18th October is World Mission Sunday and the second collection taken up will be for World Missions.** Thank you in anticipation of your generous support.

Please remember in your prayers those who have died recently and those whose anniversaries occur at this time

RECENTLY DECEASED

Brenda Kennedy
Ellen Lavery

1ST ANNIVERSARY

Claire Angelone
Mary O'Hara

ANNIVERSARIES

Anne & Alex McLaughlin
Brian Feerick

The Second Collection this Weekend is for the General Maintenance Fund

Your Offerings up to 9th October 2026

Weekly Offering £396.51	**Monthly Offering (Priests Stipend) £379.70**
General Donations £0	**Online Donations £10**
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