

# Parish of St MARY'S on the HILL 9<sup>th</sup> February 2025

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

## PRIESTS OF THE PARISH

Fr Pat Sheehan & Fr Aidan Kerr

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Opens Mon – Friday 9am – 1pm

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## RECENTLY DECEASED

Liam McMeekin, Birch Green

Kasia McKinney, Antrim Road

Donal Murphy, Vaddegan Drive

Gemma O'Neill, c/o Glebe Villas

Canon Noel Conway

Very Rev Brendan Smyth

## ANNIVERSARIES

Kenneth McCrea & Eileen McCune, Linda Gault,

Anne Brown, Bobby Graham, Maureen O'Hea,

Joe Murray, Ellen & James Kearns, Pat McCrory,

Teresa Anderson, Madge Daly & Audrey McLarnon,

Rose Reynolds, Seamus Reynolds.

## MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

Sat 8 <sup>th</sup>	6pm	Anne Brown
Sun 9 <sup>th</sup>	9am	Kenneth McCrea, Eileen McCune & Linda Gault.
<i>SMOTH</i>	10am	Maureen O'Hea
	11am	Pat McCrory
	12.30pm	Joe Murray
Mon 10 <sup>th</sup>	9.45am	Bobby Graham
Tues 11 <sup>th</sup>	9.45am	Teresa Anderson
Wed 12 <sup>th</sup>	9.45am	Special Intention
Thur 13 <sup>th</sup>	9.45am	
Fri 14 <sup>th</sup>	9.45am	
Sat 15 <sup>th</sup>	9.45am	Madge Daly & Audrey McLarnon



We welcome

**Alfie Roberts**

recently baptised in the parish.

## WOULD YOU CONSIDER TAKING OUT A STANDING ORDERS WITH THE PARISH?

If you would consider taking out a Standing Order with the parish to make your parish contributions there will be volunteers at the back of the church this weekend to take some details from you. This could replace your Offertory Envelopes or loose plate contributions you make through the Offertory Collection Buckets.

Also if you pay tax and don't GIFT AID your donations please think about completing a GIFT AID with the parish – 25p for every £1 pound you contribute! Many thanks for your continued support to the Parish.

## Give Blood – Save Lives

Trinity Reformed Presbyterian Church Hall

Thursday 20th February

12.30-19.30pm



## Down & Connor Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2025

Celebrating the Jubilee Year &

40th Annual Diocesan Pilgrimage

9/10 – 15th/16th July.

5 (£859) & 7 (£972) Night options available.

Please visit [www.downandconnor.org/lourdes](http://www.downandconnor.org/lourdes) for more information or call the Pilgrimage Office on (028) 9077

0162 or email [lourdes@downandconnor.org](mailto:lourdes@downandconnor.org)

**YOUTH TEAM (£ 760 - 9-16th July):** applications now open (see website for details)



# DOWN & CONNOR LOURDES PILGRIMAGE 2025 40th Annual Pilgrimage



5 Nights (10-15 July) Hotel - £859

5 Nights (10-15 July) Accueil Notre Dame  
(for Pilgrims requiring care) - £729

7 Nights (9-16 July) Hotel - £972

Youth Team (9-16 July) - £760



Prices are per person sharing, additional charges may apply  
This Tour is operated by North Star Travel Ltd T/A Joe Walsh Tours  
ATOL Protected 11313

For more information or to request a booking form contact

[lourdes@downandconnor.org](mailto:lourdes@downandconnor.org) (028) 9077 0162 [downandconnor.org/lourdes](http://downandconnor.org/lourdes)



Price Only

**£760**

## LOURDES YOUTH TEAM 2025

### Cost Includes:

per person sharing, inclusive of return flights, transfers, full-board accommodation, insurance.

**9-16 July 2025**

Online applications now open!

To all aged 17 - 24 yrs (at time of travel)



Scan me for the application form

**Limited Spaces!**

For more information please email:

[Lourdes@downandconnor.org](mailto:Lourdes@downandconnor.org)

or visit [www.downandconnor.org/lourdes](http://www.downandconnor.org/lourdes)

Closing for applications Friday 7 March 2025 @5pm





**Foster  
with US**

**There is a desperate shortage of foster carers  
across the UK.**

**Our faith teaches us that children need love and nurture.**

**Unfortunately, this is not the experience of over  
30,000 children each year who enter the care system.**

**Having faith in fostering situations can be hugely beneficial for these  
vulnerable young people who may have experienced trauma, abuse and  
neglect. Our faith can provide them with structure, stability and a whole  
community to support the fostering family.**

**If you think you could change a child's life for the better and welcome them  
into your heart and your home, contact your local fostering service  
today.**

**There are many organisations out there who welcome faith in  
fostering and who do not profit from the services they provide for  
young people. It's easier than you think, you just need an open heart  
and a spare room.**

**Find out more at: [actionforchildren.org.uk/fostering](https://actionforchildren.org.uk/fostering)**

**Faith  
in fostering**

# GIVE BLOOD Save Lives

Book now for your local  
community blood donation  
session!

## VENUE

Trinity Reformed Presbyterian  
Church Hall, Glengormley

## DATE & TIME

Thursday 20 February 2025  
12:30– 19:30

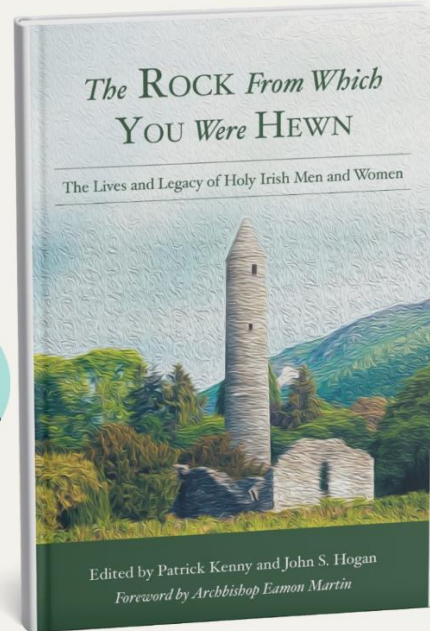
Northern Ireland needs 1200  
blood donations per week.

That's 1 every 8 minutes.



Scan to book your  
appointment.

# Join Us For The Inspiring Launch Of "The Rock From Which You Were Hewn"



**With Guest Speakers:**  
Dom. Basil Mary MacCabe OSB  
& Patrick Kenny (Editor)



**Sunday**  
**16 February, 2025**



**12.30pm**  
Following 11am Solemn Mass



**Church of the Immaculate Heart of Mary**  
Antrim Road, Belfast

Refreshments Provided



A Project Supported by  
The Institute of Christ the King  
Sovereign Priest and  
The Knights of  
Saint Columbanus CK3



## Fully Escorted Pilgrimage

### **SHRINES OF ITALY PILGRIMAGE** SAN GIOVANNI ROTONDO, LORETO, ASSISI and CASCIA

**17<sup>th</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup> September 2025**

7 Nights flying from Dublin to Bari  
Including visits to the Tombs of Blessed Carlo Acutis,  
St Francis, St Clare and St Pio.

Visit the first Eucharistic Miracle of the Catholic Church in Lanciano.  
And the Holy House of Nazareth in Loreto, plus much more.

Comprehensive Travel insurance is EXTRA.

**COST £1,229 PER PERSON SHARING**

**SEATS ARE LIMITED**

Single room supplement is £350.00 EXTRA

**Spiritual Director: Fr Ciaran Dallat**

**£300.00 deposit secures a seat!**

For further details contact:

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