

Saint Vincent de Paul Parish

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3rd Sunday of the Year
26th January 2020

	Readings:	Sunday Cycle A	Weekdays 2	Psalter Week 3
Monday	10.00am		Novena for Life	
Tuesday	10.00am		Novena to Saint Vincent de Paul	
Wednesday	7.30pm		Novena to Our Mother of Perpetual Help	
Thursday	10.00am		Novena to Saint Philomena	
Friday	N/A		Father Devlin's Day Off	
Saturday	6.30pm		Novena to Most Sacred Heart	
Sunday	10.00am		Family Mass	



First Reading *Isaiah 8:23-9:3*

The people in darkness have seen a great light.

Responsorial Psalm *27:1,4,13-14*

The Lord is our refuge, our light, our salvation.

Second Reading *1 Corinthians 1:10-13,17*

Paul urges the community at Corinth to be united as people baptized in Christ's name.

Gospel Reading *Matt 4:12-23* Jesus begins to preach in Galilee and calls his first disciples.

Today's Gospel describes the beginning of Jesus' public ministry. In the Gospels of Matthew, Mark, and Luke (called the Synoptic Gospels), Jesus' public ministry begins after his baptism by John the Baptist and after his retreat to the desert where he was tempted by the devil. When Jesus returns from the desert, he hears that John has been arrested.

The first part of today's Gospel places Jesus' ministry in the context of the writings of the prophet, Isaiah. Matthew wants to show that Jesus is the fulfilment of the prophecies given to the people of Israel, and he refers to Isaiah to do so. Isaiah says that the Messiah will begin his ministry in Galilee, the land of the Gentiles. When Jesus begins to preach in Galilee, Matthew points to his ministry as a fulfilment of Isaiah's prophecy, proof that Jesus is the Messiah.

When Jesus called his first disciples, the Gospel tells us that the fishermen (Peter and Andrew, James and John) dropped everything to follow Jesus immediately. Yet this Gospel tells us little about the prior experience that the fishermen had of Jesus. Did they know him? Had they heard him preach? What kind of person must Jesus have been to invoke such a response? We can imagine that Jesus was a powerful presence to elicit a response as immediate and complete as these first disciples gave.

The Gospel concludes with a description of the ministry that Jesus begins in Galilee. Jesus inaugurates the Kingdom of God with his work. He teaches in the synagogue and preaches the kingdom. His ability to cure people's diseases and illness is a sign of the kingdom. In Jesus' ministry, we already begin to see the Kingdom of God among us.

Saint Vincent de Paul Parochial Hall/ House



Monday:

- Knit and Knatter group: Why not come and join us in the Parochial House on a Monday between 11.00-12.45. It's a 'Knitting Good Time'
- Ladies Boxercise, 2nd of September, 7:30pm-8:30pm, 10 weeks, cost - £1 per session provided by Ligoniel Healthy Living Centre



Tuesday: Boot Camp 7pm provided by Ligoniel Healthy Living Centre



Wednesday: Pilates 7pm, 10 weeks, cost - £1 per session provided by Ligoniel Healthy Living Centre



Thursday evenings: Girl Guides - Welcome back! New members welcome 6pm-8pm



Saturday Morning: Saint Vincent de Paul School is providing Transfer Tuition 2 sessions 10am-11.30am, 1130 -1pm Cost £10 per Child, per Class.



A reminder the Parochial Main Hall is available for hiring. Check availability and for parties especially Saturday daytime and night times.



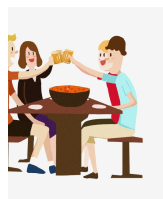
Sunday: Bingo 8pm

Deaf Chaplaincy Down and Connor / Saint Joseph's Centre



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New event



Each first Saturday of the month, the Saturday evening mass will be fully signed and the Deaf Community will gather in the parochial house for light refreshments and entertainment. This begins on Saturday the 7th of September.

Confirmation Sunday



This Sunday we welcome Father Bishop Noel to our Parish to Celebrate Confirmation with our Primary 7 children from Our Parish School.

We remember everyone involved and Pray that the Holy Spirit in this sacrament with bring an awareness of God's Love and

presence amongst us.



North Belfast Pray Walk 3rd February 2020 begin at Church at 7.30 and goes around the parish meeting greeting and praying for all the needs of the Parish and local Community. ALL WELCOME

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Saint Vincent de Paul Parish Youth



If anyone wishes to be an altar server/youth choir, please contact Father Devlin.

