

PARISH DRAW WINNERS JANUARY 2018

Prize Place	Prize	Name	No	Promotor
1 st	£250	Hannah Ferguson	44	Mary Ferguson
2 nd	£150	Terry Dornan	309	Raymond Jordan
3 rd	£100	Etain Mc Quillan	441	Johnny Mc Quillan
4 th	£100	Thomas Burns	294	Tom Mc Garrity
5 th	£50	Marie Mc Crory	157	Anne Mc Greevy
6 th	£50	Robert Finnegan	61	Robert Finnegan
7 th	£50	Charlie Finnegan	217	Irene Phillips
8 th	£50	Tony Mulholland	125	Mark Mulholland
9 th	£50	Anthony & Moya Kelly	82	Jim Ferguson
10 th	£50	Cornelius Crawford	461	Stephen Mulligan

WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES– UPDATES Registration for all WMOF2018 events is open via www.worldmeeting2018.ie. Individual pilgrims and families can now register for the main three-day WMOF2018 Congress from August 22nd – 24th, guaranteeing your ticket(s) for the Festival of Families on Saturday 25th August and for the Closing Mass on Sunday, 26th August. Don't miss out on these once in a generation events. REGISTER NOW! www.worldmeeting2018.ie

ROSARY AT THE MASS ROCKS FOR LIFE AND FAITH– Join us on 18th March at 2.30pm in the grounds of St Peter's Church, The Rock for the recitation of the Holy Rosary. It is being held between the great saints St Patrick and St Joseph's feast days. We are living in critical times in our history. "The Rosary is the weapon of our times (St. Pio)."

HANNAHSTOWN HERITAGE AND CULTURAL SOCIETY– On Sunday 18th March an Irish night in Stoneyford at 6.30pm followed by music song and dance and of course Irish Stew. All are very welcome. Reverend John Farr says there is a big 'Cead Mile Failte' for everyone.

MUSIC FOR A LENTEN EVENING– In St Brigid's Church on 9th March at 7.30pm. St Peter's Cathedral Schola Cantorum directed by Mr Nigel McClintock and programme includes: Allegri's Miserere and Faure's Requiem. All welcome. Retiring collection.

Parish of Hannahstown - St Joseph's & St Peter's
4th March 2018 – 3rd Sunday of Lent

A REFLECTION FOR THIS SUNDAY'S GOSPEL

'A certain fiery and starry light shone from his eyes and the majesty of Godhead gleamed in His face.'

St Jerome

What gives you the right? Who do you think you are? In our world it can be difficult to work out who has authority to speak on certain issues. There are 'experts', both qualified and unqualified, at every turn, telling us how we should spend or invest our money, how we should bring up our children, how we should eat, exercise or dress. We usually manage to tune a lot of it out. But when unsolicited advice or criticism is aimed directly at us, we can feel under attack and react accordingly. 'What gives you the right to tell me how to live my life?' is a common response. We sometimes need to hear someone's credentials before we are willing to give them a fair hearing. The Temple scene in today's gospel sparks a debate about Jesus' authority. When the Jews question him, asking for a sign to justify what he has done, it's as if they are saying 'Who do you think you are, coming in here, criticising our activities and telling us how to run things?' In calling the Temple 'my Father's house,' Jesus has already identified the source of his authority, but his interrogators do not seem to understand, nor indeed do his disciples. This scene offers much more than an angry Jesus and a clueless audience. It is a public revelation by Jesus that he is the authoritative Son of God, and a foreshadowing of his death and resurrection.

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