

Celebrating the Liturgy

Weekend Mass Times:

Sat. (Vigil) 6.30pm
Sunday: 10.00am & 12 Noon

Confessions:

Saturday after 10.00am Mass
5.30 - 6.15pm

Weekday:

Monday 7.30pm
Tues - Sat. 10.00am

Adoration of Blessed Sacrament:

Wed. & Thurs. 10.30am – 9.00pm
Sat. 10.30am – 12.00 Noon

Divine Office:

Morning Prayer: Mon. 10.00am
(Followed by Rosary)
Thurs: 10am (followed by Mass)

Marriage:

6 months notice required
Please contact Fr McGrady

Baptism:

1st & 3rd Sundays of the month at 1.15pm
Contact the parish office to book - One month's notice is required.

St Paul's Missal – 2014

Missals on sale this weekend in Church Porch **£5.50 each**

2014 Diocesan Directory

On sale this weekend **£3** great value for all the information you need regarding all the Parishes in Down and Connor Diocese

“St Anne’s Pioneer Centre”

Would appreciate your used stamps for the Missions.
Collection Box will be in church porch.

Aifreann Feirste

DVD of the live recording is now available £5 including Mass Booklet.
Copies will be on sale in Church Porch this weekend

Bereavement Support Group

Have you suffered bereavement?

If you wish to talk in confidence – please ring the parish office **90610112**
leave your name and phone number a member of the Group will contact you.

Parish Finance

The weekly collection amounted to £2596.22

Monthly Offering £1675.67

Sincere thanks for your continued generosity

Altar Society: Church Cleaners: Group A this week

St. Anne's Parish



Very Reverend Feargal McGrady, PP

St Anne's Parochial House, Tel: 9061 0112

Parish Sister: Sr. Mary Murray. Tel: 9061 0112

Parish office: 9061 0112

Parish Centre: 9061 0112

Parish Website: saintannesparish.net email: office@saintannesparish.net

Fourth Sunday of Advent

29th December Year C Psalter Week 1

First Reading: Ecclesiasticus (Sirach) 3:2-6, 12-14

The wisdom governing daily life has supernatural implications. The promises lavished on those who honour and glorify their parents, Sirach tells us, are immense indeed: such people store up riches and find joy in their own children. Most amazing of all, though, is the assurance that such honour and glory *atone for sins*; this means that the manner in which we treat our parents directly reflects our relationship with God.

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 127

O blessed are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways! -

Second Reading: Colossians 3:12-21

The exhortations to husbands, wives and children are preceded by a reflection on the only link which guarantees peace and fidelity between human beings: the love of God, that is, 'the bond of perfection'. The life of a family constructed with such a bond, whether that family be a natural or supernatural (the Church), cannot be broken, because the peace of Christ unites those called to be one.

Gospel Matthew 2:13-15, 19-23

Matthew tells us that Jesus' journey as an infant into and exodus out of Egypt mirrors the movements of his ancestral people; he retraces the steps of Jacob's sons, and then Moses, under the paternal guidance of Joseph. Commissioned by God just as Abraham and Moses were, Joseph cooperates with God in allowing the prophecy of Hosea 11:1 to be fulfilled in his (and God's) son, Jesus: 'Out of Egypt I have called my son'.

Recently Deceased

Please pray for the happy repose of the souls of:

Anne Curran who died recently.

Sean Heery, Jimmy Torney, James & Susan Lavery

Kathleen McParland whose anniversaries are at this time and those whose names are in the Book of Remembrance. *May they rest in peace. Amen.*

New Year's Day:
*Feast of Mary Mother of God
& World Day of Peace*
Mass at 12noon

The Epiphany of The Lord
Monday, 6th January
Holy Day of Obligation
Mass at 10am & 7.30pm

New Year Blessings

Remember us, O God;

from age to age be our comforter.

You have given us the wonder of time,
blessings in days and nights, seasons and years.

Bless your children at the turning of the year
and fill the months ahead with the bright hope
that is ours in the coming of Christ.

You are our God, living and reigning, for ever and ever. R. Amen.

Adoration of The Blessed Sacrament

There will be no Adoration Wednesday 1st January.
Adoration will resume as normal on Thursday 2nd January

St Mary's Christian Brothers Grammar School Open Night

Transfer pupils and their parents are invited to attend open night on

Thursday 16th January at 7.30 pm.

All enquiries to the Principal 028 90 294000 (www.stmaryscbgs.com)

Christmas Message from Bishop Noel Treanor

A copy of Bishop Treanor's Message is available for every family, please take a copy home with you.

Open Morning of Our Lady and St Patrick's College, Knock
Year 7 Pupils and Parents - Saturday 11th January 2014

9.15 am – 12.30 pm

Principal's Address 9.30 am and 11.00 am.

Prospective Year 13 students are also welcome.

Christin Brothers Secondary School

Open night for Transfer Pupil and their parents

Christian Brothers Secondary School, Glen Road, Belfast

9th January 2014 at 7.00 pm

All Enquiries Telephone 028 90 808050

St Louise's Comprehensive College

Open Night for Primary 7 pupils and their parents;

Wednesday 8th January 2014

Families are invited to the Principal's Address 4.30pm or 6.30pm

St Genevieve's High School

Invites all P6 and P7 Pupils and their Parents to Open Day

Tuesday, 7th January 2014 at 7.00 pm

Principal's Address 7.15 pm.

LIVING YOUTH Pilgrimage to Rome –

Join with us as we step back to the very beginnings of our faith and the heart of the Roman Catholic Church. From 4th – 8th August we will immerse ourselves in the history of the Church, we will visit the ancient Christian sites of the Eternal City, the tombs of Peter and Paul, the Colosseum, the Catacombs, the Vatican and much more. Price including flights, transfers, accommodation half board, sweat shirt and t-shirts - £650, which can be subsidised through fund raising.

If you are aged between 16 and 25 and would like to join us, please contact Claire to register your interest - info@livingyouthni.org.

Stress Control

Free NHS Stress Control Classes run

by CBT Therapists from the Belfast Trust will commence on;
Monday 13th January in the Skainos Centre on the Lower Newtownards Road and
on Thursday 16th January in the Falls Road Library.

Classes run from 6.30pm-8pm.

There is no need to book, just turn up on the night. Bring along a friend or family member if you wish.

Contact the CBT Department at Woodstock Lodge on 95044645 for further details."