

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

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.

In its 21st anniversary year, the Ulster Youth Orchestra, Northern Ireland's national youth orchestra, will be presenting its annual summer concerts once again in Derry-Londonderry and Belfast this July. 90 of Northern Ireland's most talented young musicians will be performing an exciting programme of music by three great Slavic composers, under the baton of Scottish conductor, Garry Walker. Michael McHale, leading Irish pianist and former cellist in the UYO, will be performing Tchaikovsky's Piano Concerto No. 1.

The *Dance of the Comedians* - Smetana
Piano Concerto No.1, Op.23 - Tchaikovsky
Excerpts from the *Romeo and Juliet Suites No.1 and No. 2* - Prokofiev.

CONCERT ONE
Friday 25th July, 7.45pm
CONCERT: Guildhall, Derry/Londonderry

CONCERT TWO
Saturday 26th July, 7.45pm
CONCERT: Ulster Hall Belfast

£12.00/£5.00 concession, 02890334455/ www.belfastcity.gov.uk/ulsterhall and at the Ulster Hall box office on the evening of the concert

Gift 1 Programme
Please remember to return your Gift 1 application form to the parish office before you go on holiday.

St. Anne's Parish



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Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
13th July 2014 Year A Psalter Week 3

First Reading: Isaiah 55:10-11
This passage closes the second part of the book of Isaiah, which includes the famous "Songs of the suffering servant". Yet this final note sows a powerful seed of hope and the beginnings of consolation. The Word of God is effective, as effective as rain or snow that allow for growth.

Responsorial Psalm: 64
Some seed fell into rich soil and produced its crop -

Second Reading: Romans: 8:18-23
In many ways, this is a daring reading for Paul; the image of child-birth. Creation is "pregnant" with signs of an accomplishment yet to be achieved. The same is true of each individual. There is a struggle, often painful, towards a reality towards which we are drawn. Paul calls this "Freedom". Yet it is not simply a liberty of political and social import but rather a "freedom" that comes from the deep understanding of ourselves as people in a relationship with a Father who loves us and welcomes us to his house.

Gospel: Matthew 13: 1-23
One of the joys of any parable is its power to tease and to provoke. The story will be heard on multiple levels. It is meant to be a Wisdom teaching, a means of looking at our lives from a different perspective, so as to appreciate things in a new manner. The sower may never see the harvest, yet without his work, the harvest would never come!

Recently Deceased
Please pray for the happy repose of the souls of:
Elizabeth McMenamin & Patrick Patty who died recently
Sadie O'Rawe, Margaret & Victor McBride, Glen O'Hare, Jim Brady & Gerard Thompson whose anniversaries are at this time and those whose names are in the Book of Remembrance. *May they rest in peace. Amen.*

Living Church - Faith & Life Convention

In the Diocesan Pastoral Plan we committed to running a Faith and Life Convention. Consequently, we are holding the First Faith and Life Convention on **Saturday, 20th September** in Our Lady and St Patrick's College, Knock, Belfast, under the title:

“Living the Faith to make a difference”.

Keynote Speaker: John Allen Jr (Religion Correspondent of the Boston Globe).

A limited number of places are available to each parish throughout our diocese.

Please contact the parish office if you are interested.

Eucharistic Adoration

Will continue during July and August 2014.

If Eucharistic Adorers are on holiday please seek a replacement from your friends or family circle.

This is an opportunity to encourage others to "Come and see" Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament.

If you are unable to provide a replacement please leave your time of absence on the sheet in the Church porch.

Baptism on July 20th

Would parents who have booked their baby for baptism on Sunday, 20th July please contact the parish office as soon as possible.

Parish Finance

The weekly collection amounted to £1565.27

Sincere thanks for your continued generosity

Altar Society: Church Cleaners: Group A this week

Youth 2000 Summer Festival

Cistercian College, Roscrea Co Tipperary **from 14th – 17th August.**

For young people aged 16-35, an opportunity not to be missed to experience our Catholic faith and meet many new people. This Festival has been nicknamed the “Holy Oxygen” with over 1000 young people from all corners of Ireland attending last year. The Festival is donation only. Free buses available from towns throughout Ireland. For more information and to book online see:

www.youth2000.ie or phone 003531 6753690 or from NI 07598876399

Retired Teacher..... Time To Spare?

“Unique volunteering opportunities for Retired Teachers to provide 1:1 support to children, with additional educational needs, in primary schools in West and North Belfast. One morning per week is required for a minimum of 15 weeks, full induction will be provided and the start date will be mid September 2014. Please contact Sólás on 02890 247600 or email anne@solasbt7.com for further information and registration pack”.

Important Message

The St. Vincent de Paul as a Christian Society strives to help genuinely needy people. Neither poverty nor the Society discriminates. Sadly and increasingly we have bogus callers who abuse the Christian generosity of our parishioners whose support we depend on. It is difficult to refuse someone who presents as “seemingly” distressed as we may mistake the genuine for the bogus but we ask parishioners to direct anyone who approaches them seeking help, either at their homes or in the church to call 90601899 or 90351561.

Thank you for all your support of our work.

St Anne's Conference SVDP

Would like to thank everyone who supported the Tuesday Coffee Morning in the parish centre over the past years. We will resume again in September.

Parish Golf Outing / Fundraiser

Reserve the Date ----- Monday 15th September

A Golf Outing to raise funds for St Annes Parish has been arranged for 15th September at Balmoral with Tee Off Times available after 1.00pm

It's open to Fourballs and Individual Golfers

(We will arrange fourballs with fellow Parishioners)

All handicaps (and no handicap) welcome.

We are seeking Sponsors for Holes and prizes.

If Interested in playing or sponsorship contact 07904569110

St. Oliver Plunkett Talks during Feile and Phobail

God and Caesar – How should Church and State relate in Ireland today?

Fr Tim Bartlett has been described as one of Ireland's most influential priests of the last 10 years. Former secretary to the Northern Bishops and assistant to Cardinal Brady. Fr Tim has represented the Catholic Church in many public arenas. There will be time for questions and answers afterwards.

St Oliver Plunkett Parish Hall - Tuesday 5th August 7.00pm

Victims – A Personal Reflection

Monsignor Raymond Murray is former Chaplain to Armagh Women's Gaol and was more recently to the fore of the campaign to free Marian Price. He has written widely on the roles of the RUC and SAS and other state violence in the Six Counties. Tonight he will speak about different victims of society and the “troubles”, illustrating his talk with poems he has written himself.

There will be time for questions and answers afterwards.

St Oliver Plunkett Parish Hall – Thursday 7th August 7.00pm.

Parish Office

Office hours are Monday to Friday **9am – 1pm**

Please leave all items for consideration for inclusion in the bulletin at the office by 1pm each Wednesday.