Celebrating the Liturgy

Weekend Mass Times: Confessions:

Sat. (Vigil) 6.30pm Saturday after 10.00am Mass

Sunday: 10.00am & 12 Noon 5.30 - 6.15pm

Weekday: Adoration of Blessed Sacrament:

Monday 7.30pm Wed. & Thurs. 10.30am – 9.00pm

Sat. 10.30am – 12.00 Noon

Divine Office: Marriage:

Morning Prayer: Mon. 10.00am 6 months notice required

(Followed by Rosary) Please contact Fr McGrady

Thurs: 10am (followed by Mass)

Tues - Sat. 10.00am

Baptism:

1st & 3rd 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.

Prayer for Strength

Every day I need you Lord, but this day especially, I need some extra strength to face whatever is to come. This day, more than any other day I need to feel you near me ... to fortify my courage and to overcome my fear. By myself, I cannot meet the challenge of the hour ... how much frail human creatures need a Higher Power sustaining them in all that life may bring. And so, dear Lord, hold my trembling hand ... Be with me, Lord, this day, to know your guiding hand at work in all, to know your Blessed Presence ever near.

Pope John XXIII

Going on Holiday?

We wish all our parishioners a Blessed and Happy Summer If you are going on holiday, please take care on the roads.

Parish Finance

The weekly collection amounted to £1572.96

Sincere thanks for your continued generosity

Altar Society: Church Cleaners: Group D this week

St. Anne's Parish

Very Reverend Feargal McGrady, PP

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Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 6th July 2014 Year A Psalter Week 2

First Reading: Zechariah 9:9-10

This reading from Zechariah offers a perspective on one of the least discussed but most important prophetic themes: offering a vision for the future that challenges and sustains. For a community of people, recently freed from captivity, the challenges of social organisation were enormous.

Responsorial Psalm: 144 I will bless your name for ever, O God my King -

Second Reading: Romans: 8:9, 11-13

Roman's is Paul's masterpiece, written to be an expose of his main ideas. He uses a technique similar to that of the Book of Psalms, which oscillates between laments and praises but which ultimately gives way to unbridled, exuberant praise. The same drama is evident here as he pitches spirit and flesh, life and death.

Gospel: Matthew 11: 25-30

The search for Wisdom is one of the themes of the Gospel of Matthew. Wisdom within the Old Testament was the sense of order and beauty that God had placed in creation. To live according to this was to live with balance and harmony. Yet it has never been easy to do so. Circumstances of life will often put that harmony and balance out of kilter and leave us worn and frail. Christ goes to the heart of what Wisdom really is – a constant rediscovery of the "gentleness" of God who is constantly recreating us in his own image and seeing all that is good.

Recently Deceased

Please pray for the happy repose of the souls of:
John Paul McShane who died recently
Rose Casey, Sadie O'Rawe & Vera Mathews
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, 20**th **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.

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.

Radharc Documentary Films – Advance Notice

The parish has purchased a selection of these internationally acclaimed Irish made documentaries and intends to screen them early in the autumn. Interested?

More details in later bulletins and more information about Radharc at:

www.radharc.ie and www.radharcfilms.com

From the Chaplain to the Deaf in Down & Connor Diocese.

If you or someone you know is Deaf and have not made yourself known to the Parish Priest, can I ask that you do so ASAP in order to allow me to create an up to date deaf register for our Diocese.

I wish to ensure that all our deaf parishioners and families are receiving the pastoral services available within the Diocese.

God Bless Father Patrick Devlin Full-Time Chaplain to the Deaf.

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.

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".

Sister Olga of the St Elisabeth Convent in Belarus

Has been given permission by Bishop Noel to "sell items of a religious nature in the Parishes of the Diocese" to assist with her Community's work with "the homeless, orphans and those suffering from drug and alcohol dependence and to fund the construction of churches and houses in the Diocese of Minsk".

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Religious objects, candles etc. on sale.

Children's Liturgy

Will not take place during July and August. We will resume again in September. Sincere thanks to all our leaders and helpers who work so hard to make our children's liturgy group so successful.

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.

Youth 2000 Summer Festival

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

A Thought to Keep in Mind –

Do you listen to "Thought For Today"? Then you'll probably have heard Padraig O'Tuama telling a story or two. Padraig is a highly respected theologian who delivers courses on Scripture, and he will be coming to St Anne's on the evening of **Sunday 21st September** (after the All-Ireland). More details after the summer - just remember the date.

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