**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

Tues - Sat. 10.00am 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)

**Baptism:** 

1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays of the month at 1.15pm

Contact the parish office to book - One month's notice is required.

**Northern Ireland Blood Transfusion Service** 

The next blood donation service will be held in:

Lowe Memorial Presbyterian Church, Upper Lisburn Road on: Thursday, 20<sup>th</sup> November 4pm -8pm

The life saved by blood donation could be Your own or a family members.

#### Capella Caeciliana

Will launch their new CD at a concert on Saturday, 22<sup>nd</sup> November at 7.30pm in the Good Shepherd Church, Ormeau Road. The concert also features "The Priests". Tickets (£10) are available from Matchetts Music or online at www.caeciliana.org

**St. Anne's Conference of S.V.D.P.** Senior Citizens are warmly invited to our Annual Christmas Lunch in Balmoral Hotel on **Sunday 7**<sup>th</sup> **December at 1pm.** Contact Tom Mulligan on 028 90628286 with your name and telephone number.

Keep Calm-Slow Down for Christmas Come and enjoy calm for a few hours in the middle of the Christmas frenzy. Slow down. Rest. Rediscover Christmas for yourself. Time for you-time for God. Space for yourself to pray and think, gently guided by Breige O'Hare. 11am- 3pm Clonard Monastery, Saturday 6

December. Bring a packed lunch. Tea/coffee provided. Donation £5.

Booking is essential. Ring Clonard 02890445950

Or contact Briege on her website: athomewithgod.co.uk

**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

# St. Anne's Parish

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# Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time 16<sup>th</sup> November 2014 Year A Psalter Week 1

#### First Reading: Proverbs 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31

A narrow understanding of this reading is to apply the "Perfect Wife" to marriage. A more noble and challenging interpretation is to apply the "Perfect Wife to our understanding of the Church, the bride of Christ. As in all relationships trust and confidence is a two-way process. Christ has confidence in his Church. Her life is about giving praise and glory to God.

# Responsorial Psalm: 127 O blessed are those who fear the Lord -

Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 5:1-6

For Paul, our whole life is about preparing for the "Day of the Lord". Trying to know when that day will come is foolish and a waste of precious time and energy. Every day is "the day of the Lord" and every day is an opportunity for us to prepare to recognize his abiding presence with us. We are children of the light and if we live in his light and love we will always be ready for and alert to his presence in us.

### **Gospel: Matthew 25:14-30**

We are all blessed by God, gifted in many different ways, we are the work of His hand. We are children of God, but each individual is special and unique. That's the wonder of the human person – no two are the same but unfortunately we sometimes try to be the person we are not. This Gospel should continue to disturb and unsettle us today.

### **Recently Deceased**

Please pray for the happy repose of the souls of:
Denise Moyes, & Brendan Megraw who died recently.
Eugene McKenna whose months mind occurs at this time
Ciaran O'Kane, Mary O'Gorman & Josephine Callan
whose anniversaries are at this time and all those whose names are in the Book
of Remembrance. May they rest in peace. Amen.

#### First Sunday of Advent

United Advent Service of Dunmurry Churches Together – 30<sup>th</sup> November - 6.30pm in St Colman's Church of Ireland

You are very welcome to this Service with our fellow Christians. It is an expression of our desire to Pray & Worship Together in preparation for Christmas.

#### **Christmas Pioneer Gifts**

Sacred Heart Calendars and diaries for 2015 as well as Christmas cards are available from the Diocesan Pioneer Office, 68 Berry St. Tel no. 9089 4070 or Josephine @9061 7116.

#### An Ecumenical Service for 'Prisons Week'

will be celebrated in - St Patrick's Church, Donegall Street on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> November at 7.30pm.

Prison Week is a week of prayer of all those involved in prison life. An invitation is extended to all those involved with prison life, those working with victims of crime and all those family members who have been affected by family members in prison.

#### 1Belfast One World Run

Fight Poverty Quiz Night **Date: Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> November 9pm** Venue: The Bureau by the Lough, Shore Road, Newtownabbey Supporting: Concern, Christian Aid, Trocaire & Oxfam Ireland

#### To Celebrate the Columbanus Year

Historic Talks will be held in St Comgall's Parish Centre, Brunswick Road, Bangor on **Saturday 22 November from 12 noon – 3pm**;

12 noon: 'The spread of Christianity in the early middle ages' Dr Immo Warntjes. 2.3pm: 'Columbanus, Exile for Christ'

A complimentary light lunch will be provided between talks. These free events are part of the celebration weekend of the legacy of St Columbanus.

#### exploreAway

Are you searching for a way to offer yourself in the service of God's world?

If so contact <a href="www.vocationsireland.com">www.vocationsireland.com</a> for more information!

"Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying:

"Whom shall I send? Who will be my messenger"?

I answered, "Here I am, send me".

#### Parish Finance

The weekly collection amounted to £1927.10

Sincere thanks for your continued generosity

Altar Society: Church Cleaners: Group C this week.

### Saint Anne's Parish Safeguarding Committee

Our Parish Safeguarding Committee in Saint Annes continues to work with parish volunteers and groups to ensure compliance with Diocesan policies and procedures relating to the protection and safeguarding of children and vulnerable adults.

No volunteer in our Parish in a role with significant contact with children or vulnerable adults can commence their role without going through the formal recruitment and vetting process and attendance at a training session.

The Parish Safeguarding Committee will support any parish group through this process.

A Safeguarding Children Parish Information session will take place on:

### Thursday 4th December 7:00pm to 9:00pm in Saint Annes Parish Centre

Under the Down and Connor Child Protection Policy and Procedures Best Practice in Safeguarding Children and Young People it is compulsory that any volunteer attend this session before commencing their role.

Could leaders please forward the names of volunteers who would be attending this session to the Parish Office.

Members of the Safeguarding Committee may be contacted through the Parish Office, information and advice is also available in the information posters in the porch of the Chapel.

Philip O Hara, Mary Devlin, Peter McIlvenney, Father McGrady

#### Sisters of St. Elisabeth Convent, Minsk, Belarus

The mission of our Convent is to provide spiritual and social help to the sick and the suffering. Our nuns have served in many care centres, including the National Applied Research Centre of Mental Health and Municipal Hospital No.2, as well as boarding homes for children and adults with special needs, a TB clinic, and a home care facility for mentally challenged children. The Convent also runs a rehabilitation centre where the homeless, drug and alcohol addicts, former prisoners and other socially vulnerable persons are re-integrated into society. We make beautiful artifacts in the Convent's workshops: traditional Russian souvenirs (nesting dolls, Christmas bells and balls painted in Khokhloma, Zhostovo, Gzhel styles), stained glass souvenirs (keyrings, plates, decorations), religious goods (icons, embroidery, apparel), etc. All these products are made with genuine love and sincere prayer and are offered for sale in order to support our ministry. We will be selling our goods at the Christmas Market so please come and support us.

### St Malachy's Fundraising Committee

Quiz Night, Friday, 28<sup>th</sup> November in St Malachy's Parish Centre, Tickets £5