

### 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<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.

### St. Anne's Primary School and Nursery Unit – Enrolment in Nursery Unit and Primary 1 for September 2015.

#### Nursery

Children born on or between 02/07/11 and 01/07/12 are eligible to apply for a place in a pre-school education provider. Listed below are the dates for the Nursery Unit Open Days. Application forms and the school prospectus will be available from 1st December from the school office. The closing date for applications for a Nursery place is **Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> January 2015, by 12 noon.**

#### Primary 1

Children born on or between 02/07/10 and 01/07/11 must begin their Primary education in September 2015. Listed below are the dates for the Primary 1 Open Days. Application forms and the school prospectus will be available from 1<sup>st</sup> December from the school office. The closing date for applications for a Primary 1 place is: **Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> January 2015, by 12 noon.**

#### Primary 1 Open Days –

Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2015, 1.00 – 2.00pm  
(Tour begins at 1.00pm, Principal's address at 1.45pm.  
Park in the church car park and proceed to the Main School Office, Block D

### St Peter's Cathedral

The Cathedral Clergy, Director of Music and Schola Cantorum  
*invite you to a service of Advent Readings and Carols by Candlelight  
on Sunday 14th December 2014 at 4.30pm.*

# St. Anne's Parish



## Very Reverend Feargal McGrady, PP

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## **Third Sunday of Advent (Gaudete Sunday) 14<sup>th</sup> December 2014 Year A Psalter Week 3**

### First Reading: Isaiah 61:1-2, 10-11

The word hope is not used anywhere in this reading but if you had to sum it up in one word, hope is the word I would use. Hope is about looking forward, looking to good news, captives looking forward to freedom, broken hearts looking forward to being bound up, looking forward to spring. What are we looking forward to? Can we make it happen by ourselves or not?

### **Responsorial Psalm: Luke 1 My soul rejoices in my God -**

### Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 5:16-24

I assume that everyone wants to be happy. We do come across people who appear to enjoy making everybody else's life miserable. It would be great if we could be happy at all times. Maybe we should be. If we look close enough most of the time we can really see somebody who has a cause to be unhappy. That does not stop us from feeling sorry for ourselves.

### Gospel: John 1:6-8,19-28

We have more from John the Baptist today. Being Advent that is no surprise to us. This week the men from Jerusalem want to know what he is, in essence they want to know which category he fits into. We like to do that too because then we know where we stand. Maybe the Pharisees were able to put John in a category on the basis of his answer to them. Categorising people can allow us to see who is for us and who is against us.

### Recently Deceased

Please pray for the happy repose of the souls of:  
Fr Frank McCrory, Gerry McQuade, Aloyisus Connolly, Mary Loughran,  
Joan McClure & Maurice Hale who died recently.  
May Dick, James Deery, Simon & Kathleen Clarke, Daniel & Kathleen Neill,  
Anne Lalor, Joseph Ringland, Thomas Gordon, Vera O'Neill, Noel Marshall  
& Eva Streeton whose anniversaries are at this time and all those whose names  
are in the Book of Remembrance. *May they rest in peace. Amen.*

## Advent Programme

### Third Sunday of Advent 14<sup>th</sup> December 2014

Parish Penitential Service at 7.00pm with Folk Group

Visiting priests will be in attendance.

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### Fourth Sunday of Advent 21<sup>st</sup> December 2014

**Service of Light – As Christmas draws near prepared by  
Christian Life Community 7.00pm**

### St Paul's Missal – 2015

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

### St. Anne's Branch of Apostolic Work

Wish to thank all those members of the parish who purchased ballots for a Christmas Hamper. Our sincere thanks go to the Father Fergal for supporting us at all the masses and to the volunteers who gave so generously of their time helping (The ballot was drawn on the 6th December and the winner

Ms. Roslind Gouldie has received her prize).

The very generous sum of £500.00 was raised, and this money will be sent to priests and nuns working in the missions in countries throughout the world.

### St Anne's One World Group

**A very sincere thank you to all who supported our Stall last weekend**

*Traidcraft £888.95, Second-hand-books £70, Donations £105.50*

*The Ballot raised the magnificent sum of £661 Trocaire Gifts £2225.00*

Congratulations to the family of Luke Darragh

(pupil at Rathmore who won the Hamper!)

**We wish all our supporters a Blessed and Happy Christmas.**

### O Come Let Us Adore Him!!!!

The Live Crib will open at St Mary's Church, Chapel Lane, Belfast on Saturday 13th Dec. Come along to The Grotto and meet the Holy Family, Shepherds and

Kings. Also featuring, Henry the donkey, goats, Emily and Buttercup, and friends. All donations to Tuesday's Child's Following Yonder Star Christmas Appeal for children living in extreme hardship in Gaza, Kenya and Brazil. Carol singers and school groups welcome. The crib will run until 6th Jan '15, animals arrive at 11 a.m. and go home at 5 p.m. each day. For further details e-mail [info@tuesdayschild.ie](mailto:info@tuesdayschild.ie) or phone 02890-502725 or text 07545-452362.

### Parish Finance

**The weekly collection amounted to £1859.97**

*Sincere thanks for your continued generosity*

Altar Society: Church Cleaners: **Group C** this week.

## Advent Penitential Services

### St Anne's: Third Sunday of Advent, 14<sup>th</sup> December at 7pm

St Patrick's Lisburn, Monday 15<sup>th</sup> December at 7pm

Our Lady Queen of Peace, Kilwee, Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> December at 7pm

St Colman's Derriaghy, Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> December at 7pm

Church of the Nativity, Poleglass, Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> December at 7.30pm

St Luke's, Twinbrook, Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> December at 7pm

Christ the Redeemer, Lagmore, Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> December at 7pm

### Invitation to all Parishioners

#### Weekend Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> December

The Parish Community of Saint Anne's is warmly invited to partake in a glass of non-alcoholic punch and enjoy a mince pie in the Church porch after all Masses next weekend. Other refreshments will be available. The intention is that our Parishioners gather and mingle at this Festive time of year. Looking forward to seeing you!

From The Ministry of Welcome

### Horizons.. A vision for suicide support in the Lisburn area.

Supports people affected by suicide. We provide practical, confidential support and give you the opportunity to meet with other people who empathy for how you feel and what you are going through. We offer mutual, informal support. We are a group of people who have been affected personally by suicide and understand the pain, distress and confusion that individuals and families experience.

Contact David, 07724497946 or: [David@horizonslisburn.org](mailto:David@horizonslisburn.org) or:

Grace: [Grace@horizonslisburn.org](mailto:Grace@horizonslisburn.org)

### Dunmurry History & Heritage Group

Next Meeting will be held in Beechlawn Hotel, Dunmurry on:

**Monday 15<sup>th</sup> December at 11 am. Speaker: Paul Clements**

### St. Dominic's Grammar School for Girls

CAROL SERVICE in the school on Monday 15th December at 7.30 pm  
(Refreshments afterwards) Past Pupils and their friends are most welcome!

### Open Days

St Dominic's Grammar School for Girls  
P6 & P7 pupils welcome  
Sat 10th January 2015 9.30am-1.00 pm  
Principal's Address 9.30am & 11.30am

Our Lady & St Patrick's College Knock  
Sat 10<sup>th</sup> January 9.15am – 12.30pm  
Principal's Address 9.30am & 11am  
Prospective Year 13 students welcome

### 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.