

St. Anne's Parish



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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.	

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. Application forms and the school prospectus are available from the school office. The closing date for applications for a Nursery place is Wednesday 14th January 2015- 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 is the final date for the Primary 1 Open Day. Application forms and the school prospectus are available from the school office. The closing date for applications for a Primary 1 place is: Wednesday 14th January 2015, by 12 noon.

Primary 1 Open Days – Thursday 8th January 2015, 1.00 – 2.00pm
(Tour begins at 1.00pm, Principal's address at 1.45pm. Please park in the church car park and proceed to the Main School Office, Block D)

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 £1849.51
Sincere thanks for your continued generosity
Altar Society: Church Cleaners: **Group D** this week

Fourth Sunday of Advent
21st December 2014 Year A Psalter Week 4

First Reading: 2 Samuel 7:1-5, 8-12, 14-1
You could understand David thinking I live in a good house but God does not so I will build God a house. It seems a very noble thought. An alternative view might be why did David not build God a house first and then build one for himself. At the end of the day God had other ideas. How many times have we said that?

Responsorial Psalm: 88
I will sing for ever of your love, O Lord -

Second Reading: Romans 16:25-27
Sometimes it can be easier to do the wrong thing than the right thing so that may be why we need strength to live according to the Good News. The Good News was secret but not anymore and we must not broadcast it. That has been going on for two thousand years and now it is us who can show obedience of faith. We should perhaps replace obedience with example.

Gospel: Luke 1:26-38
Mary was only one of a handful of people to be told by an angel that she was going to have a baby. When we are told something unexpected be it good or bad news it can take a moment to get ourselves together and say what is going on here, how am I going to react to this? What now? However some people just take it on board and get on with it. Mary had that reaction. She did not take time to consider she just said yes to God. Many people have said yes to God at some point. What will we say to God?

Recently Deceased
Please pray for the happy repose of the souls of:
Anne Hogan, Irene Maguire & Mildred Martin who died recently.
Emmie Delaney, Nora Nash, Sean O'Neill, Louise MacSherry, Paddy Murray & Marie Douglas 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 - Fourth Sunday of Advent 21st December 2014
Service of Light – As Christmas draws near prepared by Christian Life
Community at 7.00pm
A warm welcome to all parishioners and friends.

Christmas & New Year Blessings
As we celebrate the Great Feast of the Nativity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, Sr Mary and I would like to thank you all sincerely for your prayers, help and generous support throughout this past year. May you all have a Blessed, Happy and Grace filled Christmas.
May the Christ Child bring to birth Consolation in the hearts of all those bereaved or suffering over the past year. You are in our thoughts and prayers during the Christmas Masses.
May God Bless You All. Fr Feargal & Sr Mary

Invitation to all Parishioners
Weekend **Saturday 20th and Sunday 21st 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 this weekend. Other refreshments will be available.

Parish Matters

The Christmas edition of Parish Matters is available this weekend, please take a copy for your family and keep up with all the parish news!!
A sincere thank you to the committee involved in producing this magazine.

Gift Programme Party

Has been postponed until January, we wish all our participants a very Happy & Holy Christmas. Further information to follow.

Crib Donations

The nominated Charity for this year's Crib donations is the Order of Malta for the Bethlehem Maternity Hospital. The hospital provides an indispensable service to the people of Bethlehem and the surrounding area by offering the only place for women to give birth under good medical conditions.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Will finish on Saturday, **20th December** and resume on Wednesday, **7th January**

St Paul's Missal & Diocesan Directory 2015....

On sale this weekend, Missal £5.50 & Directory £3

Christmas Mass Times

Christmas Eve:

Wed. 24th December

Vigil Mass at **7.30pm**

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Mass of the Nativity: **11pm**

With Carol Singing at **10.40pm**

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Christmas Day Masses

10am & 12 Noon

Carol Singing from 9.35am

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Friday: (26th December)

Feast of St. Stephen

There will be no mass

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Saturday – Sunday : Mass Times as usual

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New Year's Day:

Feast of Mary Mother of God

& World Day of Peace

Mass at 12noon