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 the Blessed Sacrament:

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)

Monday 7.30pm

Baptism:

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

Women's World Day of Prayer

Friday, 6th March, at **7.30pm in** Christ Church Derriaghy (Church of Ireland)
Church and car park up the hill on Derriaghy Road
Everyone is warmly invited to attend. Praying for the Bahamas.

First Saturday Devotions - St Matthias' Church, Glen Road

Saturday, 7th March – 3pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Confessions 4pm Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. Do come along and bring a friend.

Annual Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes

Application Forms are now available from the parish office.

7 Nights (10th-17th) £625 5 Nights (11th-16th) £570 in hotel

Full board for sick or infirm pilgrims with medical and nursing care in Accueli

Notre Dame: 5 Nights (11-16) for £450 Youth Team (8th-17th) £520

Finaghy Methodist Women of Ireland

Invite the ladies from St Anne's to a Visitors Night on Thurs. 12th March, 7.45pm Demonstration by Abernethy Butter and there will be a chance to buy this special butter and maybe fudge!! If you would like to go along please leave your name in the parish office by **Wed. 25th February** for catering purposes.

C.L.C. Group

Meeting in the parish annex, Monday 23rd February at 8pm

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

Very Reverend Feargal McGrady, PP

St Anne's Parochial House, Tel: 9061 0112

Parish Sister: Sr. Mary Murray. Tel: 9061 0112

Parish office: 9061 0112 Parish Centre: 07745169205
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First Sunday of Lent 22nd February 2015 Year B Psalter 1

First Reading: Genesis 9:8-15

God's covenant with the earth and all its people was the beautiful rainbow. In folklore, crocks of gold lie at the foot of a rainbow and Dorothy sang that somewhere over the rainbow all her dreams would come true. The rainbow is a great sign of hope; it symbolizes new life, new hope and the forgiveness of sins. A great rainbow can take your breath away but it is only a small glimpse into the great expanse of God's love.

Responsorial Psalm: 24

Your ways, Lord, are faithfulness and love for those who keep your covenant -

Second Reading: 1 Peter 3:18-22

In the Second Reading we are reminded of our baptismal calling. His great act of love on the cross was for each of us to lead us to God. Our reply is to repay that as best we can, remembering "as long as you have done this to the least of my brothers you have done it to me" An old proverb says – the best thing to sleep on is a clear conscience.

Gospel: Mark 1:12-15

This week we began the season of Lent and we hear of Jesus being guarded by the angels in the wilderness. Each of us have our own guardian angel and some of the writings of St Pio about guardian angels are very humbling: "Do not forget this invisible companion, always present to listen to you, always ready to console you. For people living alone... Invoke your Guardian Angel that he will illuminate you and guide you. God has given him to you for this reason. Therefore use him"

Recently Deceased

Please pray for the happy repose of the souls of:
Fr Fred Hanson & Teresa Drumm who died recently.

Joe McGuigan, Freddie Lyttle, James McGahan, Eileen Cullen, Claudia Raffo,
Catherine Flynn, James Leeson, Eveleen & William McDevitt, Josephine Catney,
Eileen Murphy & and all whose anniversaries are at this time and those whose
names are in the Book of Remembrance. May they rest in peace. Amen.

Lenten Programme First Sunday of Lent - 22 February

Evening Prayer at 7pm accompanied by The Traditional Choir

All parishioners are warmly invited and encouraged to attend each of the Sunday evening services in preparation for Easter.

Second Sunday of Lent – 1st March Stations of the Cross at 7pm

Third Sunday of Lent - 8th March

Trocaire Lenten Focus Presented by our One World Group

Fourth Sunday of Lent – 15th March Mothering Sunday – No Evening Service

Fifth Sunday of Lent – 22nd March Evening Service presented by our Christian Life Community

> Sixth Sunday of Lent – 29th March Parish Penitential Service - 7pm (visiting priests in attendance).

Lent 2015

Are you thinking of becoming alcohol-free this Lent? Do you feel we live in a drinks culture? Are you concerned about alcohol abuse? If so, we invite you to take a temporary pledge with the Pioneer Association, say a short prayer daily and offer up your decision not to take alcohol for the sake of someone else, perhaps someone who is living with addiction. YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE Register your pledge with local Pioneers or the Down and Connor Pioneer office-Tel: 028 90894070 or email dandcpioneers@gmail.com. Please give your name, address and phone number and you will be send a Pledge Certificate which includes the daily prayer.

Pledge cards and copies of the Daily Lenten Prayer are available in the porch Please feel free to take one home.,

Spring Retreat

A special Spring Retreat will take place in Tobar Mhuire Retreat and Conference Centre, Crossgar on Sunday 1 March 2015. This is being organised by the Diocesan Pioneer Council and the cost for the full day is £25.00. This retreat is open to everyone but spaces are limited. For booking or further information, please contact the Pioneer Office on 028 90894070 or email dandcpioneers@gmail.com.

Parish Finance

The weekly collection was £1642.17

Sincere thanks for your continued generosity

Altar Society, Church Cleaners: Group A this week.

Trócaire Lenten Campaign

This Lent support the campaign against hunger and drought.

Trócaire Boxes - Available in the church porch,

Take one home for your family and return to church on Holy Thursday.

St. Brigid's Day Lecture

Pope Francis and the Joy of the Gospel: The Social Dimension By: Cardinal Peter Turkson

President of The Pontifical Council for Justice and Peace, Rome.
In: St. Brigid's Church, Windsor Avenue,
Wednesday, 4th March 2015

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Rosary During Lent

At 9.40am (before 10am Mass weekdays) and at **10am on Monday Morning** You are very welcome to join in.

"YOU CANNOT FOOL ALL OF THE PEOPLE ALL OF THE TIME I

[Abraham Lincoln] A lady contacted us to say that she didn't have a knitting pattern for a chick but she was using one for a duckling...... and was that OK? So, we told her it was OK as long as it didn't make a noise. We also sent her this extract from Ogden Nash's poem,

The Duck.

Behold the duck,

it does not cluck.

A cluck it lacks.

It quacks.

.....so it may look like a chick, but once it opens its mouth/beak....its a dead giveaway!

Just To Be Clear

- * of course you can knit as many as you like.. its called 'chicken addiction '
- * thank you....but we supply the Creme Eggs
- * we know you can knit sheep, rabbits, seal pups and meerkats etc.....but maybe next year. Thanks and 'keep 'er lit ' St Annes Apostolic Work.

CCÉ Loch Lao Béal Feirste Annual Concert 2015

Loch Lao is hosting its annual showcase of the best in Irish Traditional Music and Song including music groups, céilí bands, singers, harpers, pipers and much more. So if you are looking for a night of top class lively foot—tapping entertainment then please come along and support this event.

Date: Saturday 7 March (7.30pm – 10.00pm); Venue: Island Hall at the Island Arts Centre, Lisburn Ticket Cost: £10/£7 concession - For tickets please contact The Island Arts Centre Box Office.