#### **Celebrating the Liturgy Confessions:**

Weekend Mass Times: Sat. (Vigil) 6.30pm Sunday: 10.00am & 12 Noon

#### Weekday:

Monday 7.30pm Tues - Sat. 10.00am

**Divine Office:** 

## Marriage:

5.30 - 6.15pm

Morning Prayer: Mon. 10.00am (Followed by Rosary) Thurs: 10am (followed by Mass)

6 months notice required Please contact Fr McGrady

Sat. 10.30am – 12.00 Noon

Saturday after 10.00am Mass

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:** 

Wed. & Thurs. 10.30am – 9.00pm

# **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.

# "Hold Your Head up High"

Written by Fr Paddy Delargy Sub-titled "Conversations and Controversies in a Catholic Parish" The stories cover a variety of topics: cost £10

Annual Diocesan Collection for the Education of our Student Priests Will be taken up this weekend.

## Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock - Sunday, 14<sup>th</sup> June

Coach leaving St Anne's at 8am and returning approx.. 10.30pm Morning tea/coffee & scones and Evening Meal in Killyhevlin Hotel Cost: £33 to book please contact Tom 90628286

Months Mind Mass in St Michael the Archangel Church on Sunday the 31<sup>st</sup> of May at 10.am for Sister Clare Maguire S.S.L, Vice Principal of St Genevieve's, Principal of St John Baptist Girls P.S. all welcome!

# Wanted – Supervisory Asistants (5 temporary posts)

Applicants must have experience working with children and or young people. For application contact the Education Authority (Belfast0 028 90 564000

**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 (10<sup>th</sup> May) amounted to: £2715.05 Sincere thanks for your continued generosity. Altar Society, Church Cleaners: Group A this week.

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 0112Parish Centre: 07745169205 Website: www.saintannesparish.net email: office@saintannesparish.net

> The Ascension of the Lord 17<sup>th</sup> May 2015 Year B Psalter 3

# First Reading: Acts 1:1-11

'Why do you stand here looking into the sky?' Why indeed. It's important to keep your feet on the ground. If your religion is a drug, an escapism, when reality calls it could be devastating. It's the classic suspense, not yet, story, but we can't live our lives on possibly and maybe. We have to be ready and allow the Holy Spirit to propel us out of the Upper Room.

Responsorial Psalm: 46: God goes up with shouts of joy; the Lord goes up with trumpet blast -

## Second Reading: Eph 1:17-23

If we lose hope, we have lost everything. It is possible to die from a broken heart. A Christian, who has lost hope, is the antithesis of everything a Christian is meant to be. It is not easy to mend a broken heart. Reading this passage should allow us to regain our hope and get our mojo back. We are Easter People, and Alleluia is our song. We are rich indeed.

## Gospel: Mark 16:15-20

In 2005, there was panic on the Dublin to Galway train. A pet shop owner was transporting a snake when, unknown to him, it escaped from its cage and slithered down the carriage. People started screaming, and some jumped up on the tables (where's St Patrick when you need him?!) Eventually calm was restored. Flight or fight? The Christian, if they believed in today's Gospel, would choose fight. The allusion to drinking poison should come with a caveat obviously in the literal sense (don't try this at home!) but is there poison in our lives we need to drive out.

## **Recently Deceased**

Please pray for the happy repose of the souls of: Cecelia Hegan, Bridie McCarthy and Tommy Farrelly, who died recently. Margaret Carrurthers, James Deery, Hugh Green, Kevin Killen, Maureen Kelly & Neil McCarney and all whose anniversaries are at this time and those whose names are in the Book of Remembrance. May they rest in peace. Amen.

#### St Anne's Golf Tournament

The date of this tournament has been changed to Thursday 4th June at Balmoral Golf Club. Tee times are available from 2.00pm to 3.30pm.



Fee (including Dinner is  $\pm 30$ ). Please consider Playing or Bringing a Fourball. *The Dinner at 7.45 is open to all in the Parish and Cost is \pm 15 per person.* 

We are also seeking sponsors for each of the holes at £100 per hole. If interested in any of the above please sign the Golf Interest sheet in porch of Church at all Masses. This will enable us to gauge interest.

For bookings or enquiries please contact 07904569110 or 07925244470.

## Mass of Remembrance For children who died at the Dawn of Life-

**On Monday 25<sup>th</sup> May** (7.30pm) will be celebrated for parents of children who died at the Dawn of Life.

Cards available in the porch for those wishing to include the name of their child. This is an opportunity for our community to prayerfully support parents whose children have died in circumstances of miscarriage, stillbirth or in infancy *There will be a cup of tea afterwards and an opportunity to speak to a member* of the Bereavement Support Team if you so wish.

**Divine Mercy Holy Hour 28th May 2015 - 7.30pm** The Church of the Nativity Poleglass Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, singing of the Divine Mercy Chaplet - Mass 8pm

## Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> May- 4 pm in St Anne's Church. Baptism Sunday Prayer Service

A Prayer Service and Blessing for parents and families who have had a child baptised in the past year. The Service will be followed by light refreshments in the Parish Centre and will last no more than an hour.

We hope you and your family will join us for this special occasion on: To assist with catering please contact the parish office if you will be attending.

Welcome into the Church and Parish Family..

Martha Aobh Campbell, Daniel Buchanan, Henry Douglas Boyle, Sarah Mary Smyth, Ava Francine Storey, Conal Joseph Brennan, Bodhi Michael Barr & Conan Johann McCabe who were baptized on 3<sup>rd</sup> May.

#### Belfast One World Run – Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> May Ozone Complex Join us and support Trocaire, Oxfam, Concern and Christian Aid. Starting at 3.00pm there will be 10K, 3K and 2K runs as well as Family Fun Walks. For information contact Laurence Frazer on 02890827016 or www.belfastoneworldrun.co.uk.



*Fr Feargal & Sr Mary invites you* To a <u>*VIGIL*</u> on: Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> May in: St Anne's Church, 7.00pm-9.00pm

To <u>**PRAY</u>** For - The Reverend CONOR Mc CARTHY</u>

*Whose Ordination will take place on: Sunday, 28<sup>th</sup> June in St Anne's* All are welcome to join in this Prayer Service of Adoration, Testimonies, Readings, Intercessions, Benediction and Veneration of Our Blessed Lady.

## First Holy Communion

Congratulations to the boys and girls of St Anne's Primary School who will receive the Eucharist for the first time today.

#### Divine Healing Ministries & Open Doors Invite you to a Coffee Morning & Table Top Sale In aid of the plight of Persecuted Christians Hosted by St Finian's Pparish Church Cregagh Road Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> May 10.00am to 2.00pm.

There will be an opportunity to spend time in prayer for the persecuted church, as well as this practical way to support our persecuted Brothers and Sisters.

# New Pastoral Communities

Back in January the Diocese launched a consultation on how parishes might best work together in the future. Bishop Treanor, supported by the Living Church Office received feedback from groups across the diocese. The consultation closed with four regional meetings. Now, the Bishop is announcing the makeup of the 13 new Pastoral Communities. Please read a copy of the document which is available as you leave the church, or on the diocesan website.

Pax Christi International Statement – World Military Expenditure 2014 Military Expenditure is still a Significant Global Problem Copies of the Pax Christi Statement available in the porch

# **Cemetery Sunday**

Milltown – Sunday, 24<sup>th</sup> May - Prayers and blessing of graves will be at 3 pm Hannahstown – Sunday, 31<sup>st</sup> May at 3 pm - Mass will be celebrated in the grounds of St Joseph's Cemetery, followed by the Blessing of the Graves.
St Peter's, the Rock – Sunday, 7<sup>th</sup> June at 3 pm - prayers and blessing of graves.

# Lough Derg - The Island is Calling YOU!!!

3 Day Pilgrimage to Lough Derg **Friday 12<sup>th</sup> June – Sunday 14 June** Bus leaving from Catholic Chaplaincy-Please contact, Gerry on 90812712 or Rosaleen 07976 199756

# Dunmurry History & Heritage Group

Our next meeting is on Monday 18th May...Beechlawn Hotel...11 am. Speaker: Peter Smyth on Northern Ireland in the 1950s See you ALL there..I hope!