

## 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:

#### Sacrament:

Monday 7.30pm  
Tues - Sat. 10.00am

### Adoration of the Blessed

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 Parish

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## Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

21<sup>st</sup> June 2015 Year B Psalter 4

### First Reading: Job 3:1, 8-11

The cliché talks about the patience of Job. Yet, after losing everything, his family, his prosperity, his health Job cries out with the great question 'Why?' It turns out that his friends are next to useless in providing an answer to his question. Finally, in this passage, the Lord comes in a storm to speak to Job. Through a series of questions, he invites Job to a new vision of divine sovereignty over creation.

### Responsorial Psalm 106:

*O give thanks to the Lord, for his love endures forever –*

### Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 5:14-17

Paul writes to the Corinthians about the dignity of his apostolic mission, his sufferings and his hope. As an ambassador for Christ, he has been entrusted with a ministry of reconciliation and of the New Covenant. Yet for the Christian the world has changed totally. The Resurrection means we are living in a new creation. How does this impact your life?

### Gospel: Mark 4:35-41

The disciples are portrayed by Mark in what might consider a strange manner. Often they do the opposite of what a follower of Jesus should do and are "shown up" by a minor character. Despite being close to Jesus they have no idea who he is; they are frightened despite his presence and take him not to care for their welfare. Jesus comes to their aid and demonstrates his divine nature by controlling the elements, yet the disciples do not recognize this manifestation, instead asking "Who can this be?" A question we all have to answer for ourselves.

### Recently Deceased

*Please pray for the happy repose of the souls of:*

Patrick Stewart who died recently.

Kathleen Bradley whose months mind occurs at this time

Kathleen Delaney & Diarmuid McGrady whose anniversaries are at this time and those whose names are in the Book of Remembrance. Rest in peace. Amen

### The Mater: The Story of a Belfast Teaching Hospital & its Community

Over generations the Mater has won a place of deep affection in the hearts of many families and health professionals who live within its easy reach and well beyond North Belfast. This very colourful and beautifully illustrated book should be of interest to people of all ages throughout the Diocese of Down and Connor, but particularly so to those living within the Greater Belfast area.

If you are interested, contact the parish office. Cost £10

### Holy Trinity Parish -

The 1983 Wells Kennedy Pipe Organ from the former St. Martin's Church, Newtownards Road, Belfast, has been restored and installed in the modern Holy Trinity Church, 26 Norglen Gardens, Belfast.

The organ will be blessed and dedicated [at 7pm on Friday 26th June](#).

This will be followed by a gala concert [at 7:30pm](#) in the Church, featuring:

The Palestrina Choir from Dublin's Pro Cathedral, with their conductor Blanaid Murphy and accompanist Darren Magee. Dr John O'Keefe, Organist and Director of Sacred Music, Maynooth, Marion Jordan, Soprano George Sandford, Trumpet and other local singers.

Admission is free with a retiring collection. Everyone welcome.

### Parish Finance –

**The Weekly collection amounted to: £2018.40**

**Sincere thanks for your continued generosity.**

**Altar Society, Church Cleaners: Group B this week.**

**Rev. Conor McCarthy's Ordination  
Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> June at 3.00 pm**

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The Ordination Ceremony for Rev Conor McCarthy will take place on **Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> June 2015 at 3.00 pm**. All Parishioners are most welcome to attend and no ticket is necessary. After the Ordination, Parishioners are invited over to the Parish Centre for a finger buffet and refreshments.

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Fr. Conor's first Mass will be held the following evening, **Monday 29<sup>th</sup> June, at 7.00 pm**. Again, all Parishioners are most welcome to attend and no ticket is necessary. After the first Mass, Parishioners are invited to the Parish Centre for a finger buffet and refreshments.  
Due to numbers expected, it is advisable to come early.

**"Hold Your Head up High"**

Written by Fr Paddy Delargy PP of All Saints Church, Ballymena  
Sub-titled "Conversations and Controversies in a Catholic Parish"  
This collection of stories emerged from chaplaincy work in the parish post primary schools and from discussions about faith and practice within the parish  
The book costs £10 and is available from the Parish Office  
A very worthwhile and interesting book.

**Down and Connor Associate Lourdes Membership:**

Church door collection this weekend 20<sup>th</sup> / 21<sup>st</sup> June  
The Associate Lourdes Membership allows Parishes in the Diocese to be very much a part of the Annual Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes which takes place in July, both financially and spiritually. All donors are remembered in Masses and Ceremonies in a special way during the Pilgrimage.

**Volunteers Required!**

The Parish requires help with the weekly washing of an Altar cloth and some small cloths, finger towels and purificators which are used during the Masses each week. If two or three people could volunteer for a rota then the task would be lighter for each individual. This is an important contribution to St. Anne's Liturgy.  
If you are willing to help, please contact the parish office as soon as possible.

**Parish Baptism Team - Appeal**

The Parish Baptism Team would like to recruit one, two or three more members to join them in the Ministry of preparing parents for their child's Baptism service. A visit is made to the home of each baby about to be baptized to explain the ceremony before it takes place. Two people go out to each home. Parents are always most welcoming. Training will be given to all new members and experience with those existing members offered to new volunteers. It is a worthwhile and satisfying ministry in the Parish. If you would like to join or would like further information, please contact the parish office 90610112.

**A Reflection on the forthcoming Ordination of Deacon Conor McCarthy**

..... a priest is a living stem, bearing sacraments as its fruits: he gives you the body and blood of Christ: he gives you, if you faithfully confess before him, Christ's own absolution. And that's not all, the man who bears the Sacrament is sacramental himself; he is, one might almost say, himself a walking sacrament. He is the appointed flag for Christ's people to rally round: the centre of unity to which we hold in every place. Just exactly what a priest is, you can best see in the Holy Eucharist.

In a great part of the holy action he is, of course, no more than the voice of the congregation. Some of the prayers we say with him, some we let him say for us: it makes little difference. Or again, in receiving the sacrament, the priest is in the same position as any other Christian, receiving the body and blood of Christ. But there is a moment where the priest steps into the place of Christ himself, to do what Christ did, to bless and to break, to present the mysterious sacrifice before God Almighty.

It is much the same in absolution. If you have gone and made your confession to the priest, you will understand what I say, when I tell you Christ speaks in him the absolving words.

These moments, certainly, are exceptional in the activity of a priest; exceptional, but still not disconnected with his whole life or character. The man who is as Christ in the Sacrament is not just like anyone else ever: he bears the stamp. He is always, as I said before, a sort of walking sacrament, a token of Christ wherever he is: in him Christ sets up the standard of his kingdom and calls us to the colours.

**St Anne's One World Group Weekend 6<sup>th</sup>/7<sup>th</sup> June**

Traidcraft Sales: **£284.05**, Secondhand Books: £70, Donations **£34.85**,  
**Trocaire; Memorial Cards £40**

Many thanks for your continued support.

The next Stall will be after the summer break – weekend of 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> September.

**Sacred Heart Messenger**

Fr John Murray has been writing a monthly column in the Sacred Heart Messenger for many years. A little book with 50 articles written by Fr John entitled "Saints of Our Time" has been published (cost £9.99) all profits going to Trocaire.

Please contact the parish office if you would like a copy.

**Living Church Down & Connor Lough Derg Pilgrimage**

The third Living Church Lough Derg 3 day Pilgrimage will take place this year from **Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> July to Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> July**. If interested contact the Living Church Office 90690920

**Bereavement Support Group - Have you suffered bereavement?**

If you wish to talk in confidence – please ring the parish office **90610112**