**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:** 

Monday 7.30pm 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)

### **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.

Parish Finance – The Weekly collection amounted to: £1665.81
Sincere thanks for your continued generosity.
Altar Society, Church Cleaners: Group A this week.

Could you help a child in need? We need Foster Carers in your area!

Kindercare Fostering, a not-for-profit organisation which works to find safe, secure & loving homes for children & young people in need in Northern Ireland. Carers urgently needed – Interested? Pease contact Gillian on 90941690, email Gillian.devlin@kindercare.co.uk or check us out at www.kindercareni.co.uk

# Belfast Annual Pioneer Mass - Wednesday 16 September 7.30 pm - Good Shepherd Church, Ormeau Road, Belfast.

Holy Rosary Pioneer Centre are celebrating their Centenary this year, this event will help to mark the occasion. Anyone wishing to be presented with gold, silver or other Pioneer emblems please contact Pat (Tel: 9262 9959), Josephine (Tel: 9061 7116) or the Diocesan Pioneer Office (Tel: 9089 4070)

KUDOS ACADEMY - Maths and English Tuition in St. Anne's Parish Hall.

P7 programme starts on Tuesday 8th September - a few places left 
Book now for Primary 6 children classes beginning in February 2016.

Contact Aisling on 07833323833 or visit <a href="www.kudosacademy.org">www.kudosacademy.org</a>
Classes Tuesday - 4.30pm - 5.45pm and 6.00pm - 7.15pm.

Belfast School of Speech & Drama Celebrating 20 Years (Ages 3-18years)
Plays, Festivals, Exams – Saturday in St Anne's Parish Centre – Contact Anne
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Very Reverend Feargal McGrady, PP

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# Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time 6<sup>th</sup> September 2015 Year B Psalter 3

# First Reading: Isaiah 35:4-7

Isaiah not only remotely prepares for Jesus but often actually sounds like him. In revealing the messianic hope and colouring its fulfilment with signs of what will accompany it, the writer is out to bring succor to the beleaguered people. The beautiful images taken from the human body being made new again and the gushing springs from nature sent tingles od excitement into faint hearts.

Responsorial Psalm 145: My soul, give praise to the Lord –

Second Reading: James 2:1-5

We might say that James is talking about discouraging people or putting them down, this can't be combined with true faith in and discipleship of Jesus, then the person is poorer than the person he is decrying, poor in worldly terms is not the concern uppermost for us but poverty of faith that would deprive us of the kingdom. We are to act out of the love which God has taught us.

**Gospel: Mark 7:31-37** 

The words of prophecy proclaimed by Isaiah come to be fulfilled in the extract from the Gospel of Mark today. It is personified in the healing of the unnamed hearing & speech impaired man, & the people with him so encouraged and amazed that they want to spread the good news, in spite of Jesus declaring the messianic secret they wanted everything about him to be known.

#### **Recently Deceased**

Please pray for the happy repose of the souls of: Nell (Ellen) Hamilton, Brian Delaney, Rosaleen Wells and Gabriel McDonagh who died recently.

Danka Wiezowska whose month's mind occurs.

Annie McKernan, Loretta O'Neill, Brian & Tillie Perry, Sean Wilson and Isobel Durkin whose anniversaries are at this time and those whose names are in the Book of Remembrance. **May they rest in peace.** Amen.

#### Faith and Life Convention 2015

Second Faith and Life Convention, Saturday 26th September in Our Lady and St Patrick's College, Knock, beginning at 10am.

Keynote Speaker Fr Brendan Comerford SJ. Theme: What hope for faith? In the afternoon workshops from a range of twenty. Online booking is available at: www.faithandlifeconvention.org

Booking forms available from the Church Porch

LIVING YOUTH – Faith & Life Convention 2015 (Saturday 26th Sept)
Are you aged 16-21? Why not register for the youth workshop and spend the day with other young adults. Find out more about your faith, discuss issues and join in the annual celebration of our faith. £5 (includes lunch and refreshments) if you register through Living Youth. For more detail or to register contact Claire at Living Youth, tel: 028 90 232 432 email: <a href="mailto:info@livingyouthni.org">info@livingyouthni.org</a>

#### **Growing in Faith Together (GIFT)**

GIFT 2 Programme starts in September *if you did not take part in GIFT 1 and* are a Form 2 pupil you can still join GIFT 2 by completing a registration form which can be obtained from the parish office.

#### **Preparing for the Sacraments**

Parents whose children attend schools other than St. Anne's Primary School and wish to have their children enrolled in the Parish for the Sacraments of: *First Penance, First Holy Communion and Confirmation* should contact the Parish Office immediately with their details. Classes starting in September.

**Defibrillator Training -** Will take place in September, further information will appear in the bulletin in the coming weeks.

# The National Eucharistic Congress September 26-27th.

The brochures including themes of the workshops and keynote speakers are now available. If you're interested in travelling to Knock by bus/carpooling please check the notice boards for information. *Places are limited, so don't delay.* 

# "Nero's Neighbours -

The Basilica of San Clemente in Rome and the Irish Dominicans" A talk being given by the Prior of the Basilica, Fr John Mary Cunningham on Thursday 17 September in the Saint Patrick Centre, Downpatrick at 07.00 pm. Tickets at £5 from St Patrick Centre (Tel: 028 4461 9000) or the Parish bookshop

Retired Teachers urgently needed, in West, North and South Belfast - Sólás urgently needs the help of Retired Teachers (as volunteers) to provide 1:1 support to children, with additional educational needs, in primary schools 1 morning per week, term time, full induction and ongoing support will be provided.

Contact Anne at Sólás on 02890 247600, Mobile 07518 915430 or email <a href="mailto:anne@solasbt7.com">anne@solasbt7.com</a> for further details and information pack

Fr.Oli McCrossan - *Columban Missionary*- September 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup>. Fr.Oli McCrossan will speak at all the masses about the work of the Columban Missionaries in different parts of the world.

### St Anne's One World Group

Fair Trade stall returns this weekend, 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> September, after all Masses, in the Parish Centre. The usual selection of Traidcraft Goods, Cards etc. as well as the Second-hand Book Stall. Your support would be very much appreciated.

# Bridge Club Resumes Mon 8th September 7.15pm Parish Centre.

# A Service of Hope, Healing and Love, Sunday 13th September '15 3.00pm. In the week of World Suicide Prevention Day.

Our Lady of the Assumption Church, Newcastle, County Down.

This Service is for everyone, those concerned about suicide, those who may be in crisis and those who have been bereaved or affected by suicide. People of all faiths or none are welcome. Please join us in the Parish Centre afterwards for light refreshments. If anyone wishes to speak confidentially to someone who is experienced in supporting others, this will also be available.

#### Mass to Thank Volunteers – Monday 14<sup>th</sup> September 7.30 pm

For all who so helped out at Fr Conor McCarthy's Ordination and Sr Mary's Golden Jubilee has been arranged for Monday 14<sup>th</sup>. Refreshments afterwards in the Church Porch. Open to all Parishioners and everyone is most welcome.

# Liturgy Team Meeting – Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> September at 7.30pm

## Lectio Divina – Reflection on the Gospel for Sunday

Resumes Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> September after 10am Mass and at 7.30pm New members very welcome.

Mothers Prayers Resumes Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> September after 10am Mass New members welcome. Interested? Contact the Parish Office or phone 02890615398 and leave a message.

# **Preliminary Notice ... Save The Date!!!!!!**

Coffee Morning in the Parish Centre, **Friday**, **18**<sup>th</sup> **September** - In support of Macmillan Cancer Nurses – after 10am Mass. Please make a special effort to come along and support the wonderful work carried out by Macmillan Nurses.

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**Bereavement Support Group** - *Have you suffered bereavement?*If you wish to talk in confidence – please ring the parish office **90610112** and a member of the Group will contact you.