

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:

1st & 3rd Sundays of the month at 1.15pm

Contact the parish office to book – One month's notice is required.

New Year – New You.....

Slimming World - St Anne's Parish Centre

On: Tuesday's - Sessions at 5.30pm & 7.30pm

Come along and give it a go – nothing to lose but weight!!!!

St. Anne's Primary School and Nursery Unit – Enrolment

in Nursery Unit and Primary 1 for September 2016.

Nursery - Children born on or between 02/07/12 and 01/07/13 are eligible to apply for a place in a pre-school education provider. Listed below are the dates for the Nursery Unit Open Days. Application forms and the school prospectus will be available from 1st December from the school office. The closing date for applications for a Nursery place is Wednesday 13th January 2016, by 12 noon.

Primary 1 - Children born on or between 02/07/11 and 01/07/12 must begin their Primary education in September 2016. Listed below are the dates for the Primary 1 Open Days. Application forms and the school prospectus will be available from 1st December from the school office. The closing date for applications for a Primary 1 place is: Wednesday 13th January 2016, by 12 noon.

Primary 1 Open Days – Thursday 7th January 2016, 1.00 – 2.00pm
(Tour begins at 1.00pm, Principal's address at 1.45pm.)

Please park in the church car park & proceed to the Main School Office, Block D)

Parish Finance – The Weekly collection amounted to: £

Sincere thanks for your continued generosity.

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



St. Anne's Parish

Pastoral Community of Derriaghy & Colin

Very Reverend Feargal McGrady, PP

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

Parish office: 9061 0112 Parish Centre: 07745169205

Website: www.saintannesparish.net email: office@saintannesparish.net

Second Sunday of Christmas

3rd January 2016 Year C Psalter 2

First Reading: Ecclesiasticus (Sirach) 24:1-2, 8-12

Wisdom is an abstract concept. We all strive for it, wanting to know what to do in any given situation. We might find ourselves in awe of those we consider to be wise, wanting to sit at their feet and absorb their words. Yet we may find that by sitting at God's feet, in prayer and in silent reflection on our experience, wisdom comes as a gift, a magnifying glass to make things easier.

Responsorial Psalm 147

The Word was made flesh, and lived among us –

Second Reading: Ephesians 1:3-6, 15-18

In his letter to the Christians of Ephesus, St Paul reveals another urge of wisdom; wanting to share it. It is natural to want to share good news that you feel will help someone. For Paul, Christ is that good news. He offers his words of wisdom as best he can and prays that God will give the rest, the open heart to receive.

Gospel: John 1:1-18

True wisdom is a requirement when it comes to navigating the depths of our Christian faith. The opening of the Gospel of John appears at first glance as an exercise in riddles and double-speak, irritatingly vague and mind bogglingly abstract. The reason is simple, words fail us when we try to express the nature of Jesus and the meaning of his coming.

Recently Deceased

Please pray for the happy repose of the souls of:

John Campbell & Jim Maxwell who died recently.

Thomas Gordon, Christina McKee, Neil McCarney, & Tony Patton whose anniversaries are at this time and those whose names are in the

Book of Remembrance,

May they rest in peace. Amen.

The Epiphany of The Lord

Wednesday 6th January

Holy Day of Obligation

Vigil Mass: Tuesday 5th January 7.30pm & Wednesday 10am

Part time SPRED Coordinator

Sought to help support parishioners with learning disabled in our Diocese.

Duties include providing training for our groups, giving presentations raising awareness and recruitment, administration and planning.

15 hours per week @ £8 per hour

For more information and to apply, please contact or send your CV to spredc@gmail.com Closing date for applications, 03/01/16

Dear Parishioner,

Our Parish has been notified that the Diocesan Safeguarding Office will be undertaking an audit of our compliance with safeguarding policies and procedures. This audit will take place on 3 February 2016.

In preparation for the audit could I ask our Parish Groups to gather relevant documentation to include Codes of Conduct, details of volunteers who have undertaken awareness training etc.

The Parish Safeguarding Committee will be in contact with groups after Christmas to prepare for the audit.

Could we wish a Happy and Holy Christmas to all our fellow parishioners and especially to the dedicated volunteers within Parish Groups
Philip O Hara, Mary Devlin, Peter McIlvenney, Father Feargal McGrady

Northern Ireland Blood Transfusion Service

The next blood donation service will be held in:

Dunmurry Presbyterian Church Hall –

Tuesday, 5th January 4pm -8pm

The life saved by blood donation could be Your own or a family members.

ACCORD NI

Accord provides a counselling service for any couple who may be experiencing difficulties or challenges in their relationship. We also offer pre marriage courses for all couples preparing for marriage, with a comprehensive programme delivered by trained facilitators.

The Belfast Centre is situated in Twin Spires Centre,
Tel No-02890339944. Email-belfast@accordni.com

School Open Days

St Genevieve's High School Open Night

Tuesday 5th January at 7.00pm
All P7 children welcome

CBS Boys School, Glen Road
Open Night

Tuesday, 5th January 7pm
All P7 pupils welcome.

St Colm's High School

Thursday 7th January at 7pm
Enquiries for Post 16 courses welcome

St Louise's Comprehensive College

Thursday 7th January
Principal's address 4.30pm & 6.30pm

St Dominic's Grammar School

Saturday 9th January
Principal's Speech 9.30am & 11 am

Our Lady & St Patrick's College

Saturday 9th January
Principal's Address 9.30am & 11 am

St Mary's Christian Brothers Grammar School

Open Night
Thursday 14th January at 7.30pm

St Malachy's College

Wednesday 13th January 2012 &
Thursday 14th January
Principal's Address at 7pm

Aquinas Diocesan Grammar School

Saturday 16th January 9.30am & 1pm
Principal's talk: 9.30am & 11.30am

De La Salle College

Open Night 7pm & 9pm
Tuesday, 12th January
Principals Address 7pm

Marian Prayer of Cardinal John Henry Newman

O Mother of Jesus, and my Mother, let me dwell with you,
cling to you and love you with ever-increasing love.

I promise the honour, love and trust of a child.

Give me a mother's protection, for I need your watchful care.
You know better than any other the thoughts and desires of the
Sacred Heart.

Keep constantly before my mind the same thoughts, the same desires,
that my heart may be filled with zeal for the interests of the Sacred Heart of
your Divine Son. Instill in me a love of all that is noble, that I may no longer
be easily turned to selfishness. Help me, dearest Mother, to acquire the virtues
that God wants of me:

to forget myself always, to work solely for him, without fear of sacrifice.

I shall always rely on your help to be what Jesus wants me to be.

I am his; I am yours, my good Mother!

Give me each day your holy and maternal blessing until my last evening
on earth, when your Immaculate Heart will present me to the heart of Jesus
in heaven,
there to love and bless you and your divine Son for all eternity. Amen