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:

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

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

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.**

<u>Primary 1 Open Day</u> - 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 and proceed to the Main School Office,

Part time SPRED Coordinator

Sought to help support fellow 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 please contact or send your CV to spreddc@gmail.com Closing date for applications, 03/01/1



St. Anne's Parish

Pastoral Community of Derriaghy & Colin 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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Fourth Sunday of Advent 20th December 2015 Year C Psalter 4

First Reading: Micah 5:1-4

The allusion to David in the passage are clear. Bethlehem is David's birthplace. David is the preeminent "ruler" of Israel in the biblical imagination and by the time Micah was prophesying, David's reign was long past. The passage acclaims the exaltation of the lowliest. An insignificant village, a child born to a young unmarried girl

Responsorial Psalm 79

God of hosts, bring us back; let your face shine on us and we shall be saved –

Second Reading: Hebrews 10:15-10

Today's reading tells us that Christ was obedient not only to his death, but from the moment of his coming into the world. He enters the world with the words of Psalm 40 on his lips, words which express his priestly role. Jesus speaks of his complete solidarity with his brothers and sisters.

Gospel: Luke: 1:39-44

In this Gospel we meet Elizabeth, cousin of Mary. Elizabeth was like her foremothers unable to have children until the unexpected birth of John the Baptist. Elizabeth is not just important because of her family relationships, however. When she greets her pregnant cousin Mary, she is filled with the Holy Spirit.

Recently Deceased

Please pray for the happy repose of the souls of:
Marie Morris & Rayid Zubairi

Martin McGonigle whose months mind occurs at this time.

Maureen McDonagh, Jimmy Torney, Michael Donnelly, Emmie Deleaney,
Joseph Ringland, Paddy Murray, Eva Streeton, Fiona Murray whose
anniversaries are at this time and those whose names are in the Book of
Remembrance. May they rest in peace. Amen.

Down & Connor Directories On sale this weekend £3, excellent value for money St Paul's Missal – 2016 £5.50

Penitential Services

In The Pastoral Community Of Derriaghy And Colin

St Luke's (Twinbrook)

Christ the Redeemer (Lagmore)

St Colman's (Derriaghy)

Sunday 20th December 7.00pm

Monday 21st December 7.00pm

Tuesday 22nd December 7.00pm

Christmas & New Year Blessings

As we celebrate the Great Feast of the Nativity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, and the opening of the Great Jubilee of the Mercy of God, Sr Mary and I would like to thank you all sincerely for your prayers, help and generous support throughout this past year. May you all have a Blessed, Happy and Grace filled Christmas.

May the Christ Child bring to birth Consolation in the hearts of all those bereaved or suffering over the past year. You are in our thoughts and prayers during the Christmas Masses.

May God Bless You All. Fr Feargal & Sr Mary

Apostolic Work

Sincere thanks to all who donated to our recent fundraising, the magnificent amount of £1383 was raised and will be sent to the priests and nuns working in the Mission Fields. The winner of the hamper was Catherine Short.

Sincere thanks and wishing you all a very Happy & Blessed Christmas.

NI Hospice and Children's Hospice Charity Concert - Laganside Sinfonia Join us on 29th December 2015 in St. Patrick's Church, Donegall Street, Belfast at 7:30pm with music by Rachmaninov, Sarasate and Marquez as well as a few seasonal carols and mystery encores! Entry is free with a retiring collection in aid of NI Hospice and Children's Hospice Charity Concert.

The Mater Hospital

A history of the Mater hospital, a beautifully illustrated book is available at £10

Parish Office

Please note the Parish Office will be closed from Christmas Eve until **Monday**, **4**th **January**.

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.

Parish Finance – The Weekly collection amounted to: £2172.93 Sincere thanks for your continued generosity. Altar Society, Church Cleaners: **Group D this week.**

Christmas Mass Times

Christmas Eve - Thursday 24th December Vigil Mass at 7.30pm - Mass of the Nativity: 11pm With Carol Singing at 10.40pm

Christmas Day Masses

10am & 12 Noon - Carol Singing from 9.35am

Saturday (26th December) - Feast of St. Stephen No Morning Mass - Vigil Mass 6.30pm Sunday: Mass Times as usual

> Friday 1st January - Mass at 10.00 am Feast of Mary Mother of God & World Day of Peace

Saturday 2nd & Sunday 3rd January Mass times as usual

Wednesday 6th January: Feast of the Epiphany (Holy Day of Obligation)
Vigil Mass: Tuesday 7.30pm – Wednesday 10am

Eucharistic Adoration
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament as usual Wednesday 23rd
December
And resumes 6th January

Parish Magazine; St Anne's Parish Mattes Christmas 2015

The latest edition is available this weekend. Please make sure you take one home. A big '**Thank You'** to the team for all their hard work in producing another fabulous edition. At This busy time of year all your efforts are much appreciated.

Pastoral Community of Derriaghy & Colin

A separate leaflet; 'Christmas in Derriaghy & Colin' for 'Daily Masses' is available in the Church Porch – Please take one.

Please note; Sunday Mass Times Remain unchanged.