**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.

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: £2386.69 Sincere thanks for your continued generosity. Altar Society, Church Cleaners: **Group C this week.** 



# St. Anne's Parish

Pastoral Community of Derriaghy & Colin Very Reverend Feargal McGrady, PP

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The Baptism of the Lord 10<sup>th</sup> January 2016 Year C Psalter 3

# First Reading: Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11

We spend so much of our lives waiting for something. The wait often seems long, the necessary preparation all but impossible, the whole experience tainted by a lingering fear that something might go wrong. We hope our joy will come. We hope that we have done enough to make it happen. In the same way we wait for God, clinging to our faith, our experience and the promise that we are not alone.

# Responsorial Psalm 103 Bless the Lord, my soul! Lord God, how great you are –

Second Reading: Titus 2:11-14, 4-7

After the coming of Christ, his followers continued to wait. Their wait was no longer for a saviour, but for eternal life with their saviour. While the preparation is just as important, the fear is gone. St Paul tells us that the love of Christ has been given to us, not because we earned or deserve it but because of his mercy.

# Gospel: Luke 3:15-16, 21-22

John the Baptism was an enigmatic character, a man of great faith and vision who preached repentance and new life. His baptism in water, he said, was a precursor to the Baptism in the Spirit that the Christ would give. He laid the groundwork, set the stage. Following the baptism of Jesus, the descent of the Spirit upon him and the words from heaven, the way forward becomes clear. There is no going back.

# **Recently Deceased**

Please pray for the happy repose of the souls of: Canon George O'Hanlon, Padraig McKeag, Annie Dixon, Vincent Dundas, Margaret Doherty, John Campbell

Bernard Winkle (Father of Fr Patrick Winkle) who died recently. Dorothy Rose Harte, Brendan McGarrigle, Michael Ewings, Harriet Sharkey, Catherine McEvoy, Jimmy & Annie Catney, whose anniversaries are at this time and those whose names are in the Book of Remembrance. **Rest in peace. Amen.** 

# **Dunmurry Churches Together Christian Unity Service**

This year the Service will be held in Our Lady Queen of Peace Church Upper Dunmurry Lane at **6.30pm** on **Sunday**, **17**<sup>th</sup> **January**. Pope Francis has been urging Christians to stand together in the face of the undermining of Faith in Christ. We need each other! Please give your support to this Service of Worship.

## 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

# NI CANCER PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES. -

Fri 27 May to Wed 1 June 2016

Cost £599 (with price reduction for Cancer Patients) will include: Return flights,
Belfast International Airport, by JWT License T.O. 052. 5 nights
Accommodation, Full board, Hotel Agena in Lourdes, based on twin/double/treble rooms. Travel insurance cover for persons up to 85 years on date of return.
The party will consist of patients, ex-patients, relatives & friends accompanied by medical, nursing and other staff. For info/booking contact:-Mrs Jean Clarke, Hon.
Secretary, c/o Drumbo & Carryduff Parish, Belfast, BT8 8EX, or speak to us on
Tel. 07516759646, or e-mail at:- mail@nicancerpilgrimage.org.uk
Chairman:- Dr Seamus McAleer, Spiritual Directors: Rev. Dermot McCaughan,
Fr. Adrian Eastwood, Fr. Andrew Black.

#### **Back to the Roots Concert**

30<sup>th</sup> Jan in St Colmans at 7.30pm. This promises to be an interesting evening for music lovers and those who just want an evening out. The musicians are of worldwide stature and we are privileged to have them here.

#### **Dunmurry History & Heritage Group**

The next meeting will be in Beechlawn Hotel, 11 am on Monday 18th January
The speaker [with Powerpoint] will be Neil Porteus......Head gardener at Mount Stewart.
His topic...History of the House & Gardens

#### St Anne's Mass Times

Resume back to normal from this weekend.

### Living Youth - Down & Connor Youth Commission

Annual Envelope Collection Next Weekend, 16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> January 2016 Please Support our Young People Today

<b>Lectio Divino</b> Resumes this Wednesday after 10am Mass	<b>Ballroom Dancing</b> Resumes in Parish Centre New Class Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> January <b>8.15 – 10.15pm</b>
Ceili Class Resumes this Wednesday 8.30pm in Parish Centre All welcome	<b>Liturgy Team Meeting</b> Tuesday, 12 <sup>th</sup> January 7pm Parochial House.
CLC Group	Coffee Morning
Meetings will resume on Monday,	Resumes on Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> January after
11 <sup>th</sup> January at 8pm	10am Mass in the Parish Centre
In the parish annexe.	All Welcome
Rathmore Grammar School	Assumption Grammar School
Open Day	Open Day
Saturday 23 January 2016	Saturday 23 <sup>rd</sup> January 2016
9.30am to 1.00pm	10am – 1.00pm
Principal Address 9.30 & 11.00am	Address by Principal 10am & 12 Noon

#### **KUDOS ACADEMY**

P6/7 Maths and English Tuition in St. Anne's Parish Hall – 2016

We are currently taking bookings for Primary 6 children for classes beginning in February 2016. Classes will be held on Tuesday from 4.30pm - 5.45pm and also from 6.00pm - 7.15pm. Please visit <a href="www.kudosacademy.org">www.kudosacademy.org</a> to join us or contact Aisling on 07833323833 If you would like more information.

#### **BEGINNING EXPERIENCE**

### (Support group for widowed, separated and divorced people)

Wednesday from 8pm to 10pm in St Bride's Hall, Belfast, - 13th January 2016.

Residential Weekend: Friday 26th – Sunday 28th February 2016 in Drumalis Retreat and Conference Centre, Larne. Forms on request. For further information please contact Phil Tel: 028 90 207645 or Marie Tel: 07896119669

#### KRAZI BAKER'S EVENING AND CHRISTMAS SPREAD

The Ministry of Welcome and Hospitality would like to thank all those who attended the Krazi Baker's Evening and made it such an enjoyable event. A special thanks to those Parishioners who so generously donated prizes for the tombola and helped on the night. We wish also to thank the Parishioners who so kindly baked buns, cakes and mince pies for the Christmas spread in December.

A very happy, holy and peaceful new to everyone.