



St. Anne's Parish

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Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

24th January 2016 Year C Psalter 3

First Reading: Nehemiah 8:2-6, 8-10

A timely affirmation of the power of God's word to move minds and hearts. While Ezra speaks, hungry hearts are touched by God's merciful outreach. Note too Ezra's concluding admonition: "Do not be sad: the joy of the Lord is your stronghold". Not only are we to seek true happiness but God desires that his joy pervade our participation in the fulfilment of his will.

Responsorial Psalm 18

Your words are spirit, Lord, and they are life -

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:12-30

Ever doubted your call to be an evangelist, catechist or missionary? Ever found yourself saying "that's the priests job or "that's their parents responsibility". Well, perhaps there is more to it! Here St Paul reminds us that we are all integral to the team, all blessed in a way, and unless we pull together something is likely to go amiss. Moments of discernment are called for, have we had one lately?

Gospel: Luke 1:1-4, 4:14-21

Luke has been touched so deeply by the Jesus story that he places his considerable literary competence at the service of the evangelization of Theophilus. In the process of Christ's concern for human liberty is reiterated to an ever-fledgling Church to which Christ also says "This text is being fulfilled today as you listen". Again we are reminded the proclamation of God's kingdom remains God's work.

Recently Deceased

Please pray for the happy repose of the souls of:

Patricia McBrien, Carmel Coughlan, Betty McCann & we pray for the parents and family of Baby Stephen Emmaus Jordan who died recently.

Margaret Walsh, Billy Craig, Fiona Murray, Patricia (Paddy) Conroy whose anniversaries are at this time and those whose names are in the Book of

Remembrance. May they **Rest in peace. Amen.**

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!!!!

Cruse Bereavement Care and Corrymeela Community

Does your professional/voluntary work bring

you in contact with bereaved families?

If so, please join us for the second **GET TOGETHER**

- Bereaved families Discovering Roadshow

7-9pm on 15th February 2016

Cruse Bereavement Care, Prince Regent Commercial Centre,

8 Prince Regent Rd., Belfast, BT5 6QR RSVP maria.mcentee@cruse.org.uk

CLC Group

Meeting this Monday 8pm in the annexe.

Supporting Persecuted Christian People in the Holy Land

A missionary group from Bethlehem, The Holy Land will visit

St. Anne's Parish on the **6th and 7th of February** to briefly talk about the Holy Land and to sell religious articles made out of olive wood to help and support the poor Christians families, any support will be highly appreciated.

Parish Finance – The Weekly collection amounted to: **£2231.57**

Sincere thanks for your continued generosity.

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

Lenten Bible Reflection – A Biblical Walk with Mary

This course will begin on Friday 29th January at 7.00pm in the Parish Hall and continue each Friday for 6 weeks. The course is designed to increase our awareness of the humanness of Mary and her profound journey of faith. We will be delving into the deeper meaning of what the Bible tells us about Mary's human journey of faith.

We will focus on what Scripture tells us about Mary and on the insights of Catholic Tradition. Our DVD teacher is the Rev. Edward Sri.

The beautiful workbook will cost £15

You need to bring your Bible with you.

Please register your name with the Parish Office

Devastating Fire at St. Colman's Church of Ireland, Dunmurry

This weekend - as an Act of Solidarity with our Christian neighbours of St Colman's, Church of Ireland there will be a Special Collection taken up.

JESUS HEALS :

Koinonia John the Baptist invites you to a meeting of praise, prayer and a mystical experience of the Risen Jesus, through the ministry of the Holy Spirit and the word of God. Venue- St Anne's Parish Centre , Kingsway, Dunmurry, on Friday 29th Jan at 7pm till 9.30pm, including a cup of tea and a chat. come and enjoy a new experience of faith and return home refreshed. The meeting is mildly charismatic- come and try something new!

Welcome into the Church and Parish Family

Olivia Cora James, Eve Mia McMahon, Luke Patrick George, Gabriel Francis Conlon, Franchesca Hariette Gicana, Alex McArt, Who were baptized recently.

GIFT 1 Programme for First Year Pupils

The first meeting was held last Sunday, if you could not attend that meeting and are interested in joining please come along this Sunday at 6.0pm. All first year students are invited to come along. Looking forward to seeing you there.

St. Brigid's Day Lecture 2016

The speaker this year is Dr. Edward Sri. Dr Sri is a lay-theologian, author, and Catholic speaker, who appears regularly on EWTN. He holds a doctorate from the Pontifical University of St. Thomas Aquinas in Rome. He lives, with his wife and seven children, in Colorado, U.S.A.

Sat., 6th February, from 1.00pm – 4.00pm, in St. Brigid's Parish Centre,

Divine Mercy Holy Hour

28th January 7.30pm - Church of the Nativity, Poleglass

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, singing of the Divine Mercy Chaplet Mass 8pm. All Welcome

Bishop Treanor wrote in his Pastoral Letter for the Jubilee of Mercy: *"I invite everyone in the Diocese to observe a special "Day of Mercy" on the last Friday of every month beginning on Friday, 29th January and concluding on Friday, 28th October 2016. This should be a day of prayer, fasting and almsgiving; a day when we remember God's mercy for us and share that mercy with others."* To support parishioners in the observance of the Day of Mercy a Diocesan Prayer Book has been published.
This attractive and practical Prayer Book is available in the church this weekend, 23rd/24th January. Price: £1

St Patrick's Day Celebration

St Anne's Parish is hosting a Saint Patrick's Day Family Celebration in the Parish Centre after 10 am Mass. The event will include live traditional music and song, céilí dancing, Irish dancing and much more. St. Anne's PTA will be joining the event this year. If you are a musician, singer, dancer or have another talent and would like to be involved in this celebration please contact Siobhán on 07846626700.

4 Corners Festival Belfast | Thursday 28 Jan – Sunday 7 February 2016

The 4 Corners Festival seeks to inspire people from across the city of Belfast to transform it for the peace and prosperity of all through a series of innovative events. Join us as we celebrate our city through music, prayer, storytelling, discussion, and more. Full details of all events: www.4cornersfestival.com and <https://www.facebook.com/4cornersfestival/>. Please email info@4cornersfestival.com if you would like to receive details of all the events.

Northern Ireland Children's Hospice and Anam Cara

Are holding a Bereavement Information Evening on Wednesday 3rd February 2016 from 19:00 to 21:00 in Tullyglass House Hotel, Galgorm Road, Ballymena, Co Antrim, BT42 1HJ The guest speaker for the evening is Brid Carroll. Northern Ireland Children's Hospice & Anam Cara will need to confirm numbers for room set up, we would appreciate if you could RSVP to info@anamcara.ie before Tuesday, 2nd February 2016 or call us on 02895213120.

This event gives parents an opportunity to hear an experienced bereavement professional talk about the many challenges families may face after the death of their son or daughter.

Action on Hearing Loss

Are you over 55 with hearing loss?

Come along and meet like minded people to: Harvester House, 4-8 Adelaide Street, Friday 5th February 10.30am – 12.30pm
Other dates arranged. Further details from Kathy McCann 90239619 or actiononhearingloss.org.uk