



St. Anne's Parish

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Fourth Sunday of Easter

17th April 2016 Year C Psalter 4

First Reading: Acts of the Apostles 13:14,43-52

The Church is expanding rapidly, Paul and Barnabas have headed off to bring the Gospel to ex-pat Jewish communities all over the Middle East. Their initial reception was enthusiastic but some established traditional religious Jews not only disowned them but quickly ran them out of town.

Responsorial Psalm: 99

We are his people, the sheep of his flock --

Second Reading: Apocalypse 7:9,14-17

A central feature of the Apocalypse is the struggle between the forces of good and evil. The struggle is depicted through a three fold repeated structure. Firstly, there is persecution of the faithful. Secondly, there is defeat of the evil ones. Thirdly there is the triumph of God and his allies.

Gospel: John 10:27-30

John's Gospel, chapter 10 is based on two themes, Jesus as the messianic shepherd and Jesus as the Son of God. The Gospel readings today very vividly highlight the role of Jesus as messianic shepherd, an image originating in the Exodus of the Jews from slavery. This emphasis has influenced the title of Good Shepherd Sunday.

Recently Deceased

Please pray for the happy repose of the souls of:

Mairead McCann who died recently.

Tom O'Doherty, Liam Harrison, Ada Lunny, Geraldine Trainor, Maureen Fitzsimons, Suzanne Teer, Josie Duffy, George Dunstall, John Dunne, 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

Weekday:

Sacrament:

Monday 7.30pm

Tues - Sat. 10.00am

Divine Office:

Morning Prayer: Mon. 10.00am

(Followed by Rosary)

Thurs: 10am *(followed by Mass)*

Confessions:

Saturday after 10.00am Mass

5.30 - 6.15pm

Adoration of the Blessed

Wed. & Thurs. 10.30am – 9.00pm

Sat. 10.30am – 12.00 Noon

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.

Apostolate of Eucharistic Adoration

Knock Programme for Sunday, 24th April

Adults, young people, and children, let us pray and celebrate together in Knock

Starting 11am with Confessions and Holy Mass at 3pm

Please see poster in Church porch or contact: David O'Doherty on 07922481689

A Shopping Voucher

Was found in the Church last month, if you lost one please contact the office.

Year of Mercy Pilgrimage to Poland

St. Patrick's Parish, which hosts the Door of Mercy for Down and Connor Diocese, will lead a Pilgrimage of Mercy to Poland from 8th to 15th September. Pilgrims will be accommodated on a half-board basis in a luxury 4* hotel in the historic city of Krakow. Pilgrims will have an opportunity to visit the Wieliczka Salt Mine, the shrine at Czestochowa, Wawel Castle and Cathedral, the birthplace of St. John Paul II, the tomb of St. Faustina, the shrine of Divine Mercy and Auschwitz Concentration Camp. Itineraries and booking forms are available from St. Patrick's Parish Office, 199 Donegall Street, Belfast (tel: 02890324597). The cost of the pilgrimage is 995 Euro per person sharing (a single supplement applies). Places are limited so book early to avoid disappointment.

Liturgy Team Meeting

Tuesday 19th April in the Parochial House at 7pm

Parish Finance – The Weekly collection amounted to: **£1742.05**

Sincere thanks for your continued generosity.

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

A Eucharistic Prayer Vigil for Vocations to the Priesthood, the Permanent Diaconate and Religious Life

Will take place in St. Patrick's Church, Belfast on **Thursday 21st April 2016** from 7.30pm – 10pm. The Vigil will conclude with Mass at 9pm.

The Annual Diocesan Liturgy Seminar

Entitled, "The Liturgical Service of God's Mercy" will be held on **Sat. 7th May from 1pm-4.30pm** in St Bride's Parish Hall, Derryvolgie Avenue, Belfast. It will be presented by Brother Pat Mullins O.Carm.

The Seminar is open to all and the cost is £10 per person. To book, please contact Malachy McKeever 07760108903 or email: liturgy@downandconnor.org

Down & Connor Living Youth

Are bringing a group of 54 to Krakow for World Youth Day in July 2016.

Their choir will be providing music at the vigil Mass in St Anne's this Saturday for the vigil mass. There will be a church door collection following Mass if you would like to make a donation

POPE FRANCIS' COLLECTION FOR UKRAINE

On Sunday, 3rd April, the Holy Father called for an extraordinary collection in support of those suffering the consequences of violence in Ukraine. This collection will be taken up in Catholic churches throughout Europe on **Sunday, 24 April** to express the solidarity and concern of Pope Francis and the Catholics of Europe with those suffering in Ukraine.

Mass of Remembrance - For children who died at the Dawn of Life- On Monday 7th May (7.30pm) Mass will be celebrated for parents of children who died at the Dawn of Life.

Cards available in the porch for those wishing to include the name of their child. This is an opportunity for our community to prayerfully support parents whose children have died in circumstances of miscarriage, stillbirth or in infancy *There will be a cup of tea afterwards and an opportunity to speak to a member of the Bereavement Support Team if you so wish.*

Concert of Brass and Voices

Saturday 7th Mat at 7.30pm – Fisherwick Presbyterian Church, Belfast
Featuring soloist Ceara Grehan, award-winning Downshire Brass and Voices Together Community Choir.
Tickets £10 in aid of Christian Aid and the Livingstonia Hospital Partnership.
Contact Christian Aid: 90648133 or www.christianaid.ie

**St. Anne's One World Group
Traidcraft Stall W/E 9th-10th April 2016**

Traidcraft Sales: £238.87, Donations: £88.90, Second-hand books: £40,
Hand-made cards: £9.00 Sincere thanks for your continued support.

*St Anne's Parish, Spring Ball –
Malone Suite, Ramada Hotel, Shaw's Bridge
Friday, 29th April - Drinks Reception 7.15pm – kindly sponsored by ESS
Dinner 8pm – Dancing to 1.00am - Tickets £30 each or book a table for 8-12 people. Dress Code: Smart Casual. Everyone welcome. Tickets are now available from: the Parish Office or Anne on: 07762 936262
Come along and enjoy a great night out!!*

SUMMARY OF OUTCOME OF PPC MEETING

Thursday 7 April 2016 AT 7.20 pm

The opening prayer and Scripture reflection was led by Carole O'Hara. The following issues were discussed:

HOLD THE DATE

PARISH ASSEMBLY IS BEING ORGANISED FOLLOWING THE MONDAY EVENING MASS ON 7 NOVEMBER 2016

Communication

The Council will be contacting parish groups regarding their promotion on the website. Parish events will be included on the website calendar.

Parish Pilgrimage to The Door of Mercy

It is hoped that this will be scheduled for October – more details to follow.

Youth Work

Mass to celebrate 45 years of the Scouts within St Annes and blessing of flags will take place on Sun 17 Apr at 12 midday.

The Gift Group will also be in attendance to draw their year to a close.

It is hoped that a Youth Pilgrimage to The Holy Door will be arranged for various groups within the Parish to participate.

Leaders from Bodybuilders will be invited to speak at Mass before starting their Summer Camp.

Holy Week Celebrations

Fr Feargal expressed his gratitude to everyone who was involved in liturgies throughout Holy Week.

Children lost at the dawn of life

Mass for children lost at the dawn of life will take place on **Mon 9th May**.

Generous sponsorship has been offered to provide flowers for the memorial garden.

Next PPC Meeting Our next meeting will take place on Thurs 5th May 2016.

Parishioners are always welcome to contribute to Agenda items via Gerry Carson, PPC Secretary at gerry.carson@ntlworld.com

Dunmurry History and Heritage Group

The next meeting will be on Monday, 18th April at 11 am in our usual venue - Beechlawn Hotel.

The speaker will be **TREVOR RANKIN** on **BELLEEK POTTERY**.