



# St. Anne's Parish

*Pastoral Community of Derriaghy & Colin*

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## **Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**23<sup>rd</sup> October 2016 Year C Psalter 2**

**First Reading: Ecclesiasticus 35:12-14, 16-19**

In anticipation of today's Gospel, we are reminded that the Lord has no regard for "personages" or whatever, in worldly terms, might appear to set one man above another. On the contrary, the kind of integrity and authenticity which are the fruits of humility are what matters in God's sight.

**Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 32**

This poor man called; the Lord heard him –

**Second Reading: 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18**

In the final extract we hear from this letter, Paul is presented as announcing his end, in earthly terms. There is recourse to the athletic metaphor which has occurred previously. Any temptation to recrimination gives way, however to a powerful confession of faith in the providence of the Almighty and the promise of heavenly reward.

**Gospel Reading: Luke 18:9-14**

This parable follows immediately on from the story of the persistent widow of last week's gospel, and could be seen as continuing the theme of fruitful prayer. If perseverance in prayer was the lesson to be drawn from her experience, then humility in prayer is what we seem to learn from the example of the tax collector a fitting approach to prayer.

### **Recently Deceased**

*Please pray for the happy repose of the souls of:*

Sr Immaculata Carlin, Nuala McCullagh, Terry Roberts, who died recently.

Agnes Toner whose months mind occurs at this time.

Brian McCrae, Kathleen McGrady, Eugene Farrelly, Martin Rooney, Harry Conlon, Marion McKee, Terry Nash, Michael Rocks 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:**

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.

#### **Youth Initiatives Young Men's Faith Development Internship –**

(based in West Belfast) If you have the desire to see young people connect to the Christian faith, are enthusiastic, creative and passionate about working with young people and want to be part of an excellent youth work organisation, consider applying for the Youth Initiatives Faith Development Young Men's Internship. - email to [slobhan@youthinitiatives.com](mailto:slobhan@youthinitiatives.com) - Application deadline Fri 28th Oct

#### **The Joy of Love- The Church's care for the family.**

On Wednesday 9th November at 7:30pm the Diocese will welcome Fr Nick Austin SJ, moral theologian, to St Brigid's Church, Derryvolgie Avenue, Belfast. The evening will be an opportunity to discuss Pope Francis's apostolic letter on the family.

**Everyone very welcome.**

#### **NOVEMBER - Month of the Holy Souls**

Many people choose to abstain from alcohol for the month of November and offer this sacrifice up for their deceased loved ones. YOU CAN DO LIKEWISE.

Take the Short Term Pledge for November. **Pledge Prayer:**

"I promise in honour of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and with the help of the Blessed Virgin Mary to abstain from all alcoholic drink during November".

#### **November Dead Lists**

During November, Masses are offered for all those whose names are included on the November Dead lists. Envelopes and lists are available in the porch.

Please place completed lists in the basket provided – all envelopes are opened and offerings are gratefully acknowledged

**Parish Finance –** The Weekly collection amounted to: **£1961.86**

Sincere thanks for your continued generosity.

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

### SUMMARY OF OUTCOME OF PPC MEETING

Tuesday 4 October 2016

The opening/closing prayers and Scripture reflection were led by Mary Devlin.

The following issues were discussed:

Holy Door Visit

Final arrangements were made for Thursday 6 October 2016

Annual Parish Assembly Update: Monday 7 November 8pm – 9pm

(Tea served from 7:45pm – Ministry of Welcome)

**The following Agenda was agreed:**

Welcome (Carol O'Hara)

Opening Prayer (SR Mary Murray)

Overview of Year (Francis Hughes), Bodybuilders Speaker

GIFT Speaker, Guest Speaker (FR Pat Sheehan)

Outline of Plans for 2017 (Francis Hughes)

Thanks and final prayer (FR Feargal McGrady)

**Annual PPC Retreat (Dromantine) 11 November** - Arrangements were finalised.

**Next PPC Meeting** will take place on **Tuesday 6 December 2016**. Parishioners are

always welcome to contribute to Agenda items via Gerry Carson, PPC Secretary at

[gerry.carson@ntlworld.com](mailto:gerry.carson@ntlworld.com)

### Bishop Noel Treanor

Will celebrate the closing of the Extraordinary Jubilee Year in St Patrick's Church, Belfast  
**on Sunday, 13<sup>th</sup> November at 3pm. - Everyone Welcome**

### Annual Legion of Mary Collection

In support of the Legion of Mary Hostels will be taken up next weekend **29<sup>th</sup>/30<sup>th</sup> October**. Please give generously.

### Bereavement Support Group –

**Have you suffered the pain of Bereavement?**

If you wish to talk in confidence – please ring the parish office 90610112 and a member of the Group will contact you.

### Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

'We urgently need a few new Adorers to fill our weak hours on Wednesday 12.00 - 1.00pm 5.00-6.00pm & 6.00 - 7.00pm and Thursday 12.00- 1.00pm & 6.00 - 7.00pm. . Please telephone David O'Doherty 07922481687 to volunteer one hour with the Lord.'

### The Rosary Mission (now in its 4<sup>th</sup> year)

Continues this Saturday evening after the 6.30pm Vigil Mass - Come along and join us.

### Be part of a new movement of the Holy Spirit across the world!

If you are **Gifted**, you are **Called!** If you are **Called**, you are **Gifted!**

The Holy Spirit has gifted us with particular **Charisms**. What are your Charisms? Come and be part of the new breath which is blowing across the Diocese. Called & Gifted

Workshop: **Friday, 28<sup>th</sup> (7-9.30pm), and Saturday, 29<sup>th</sup> October, (9.30am - 4.30pm), 2016 in Dromantine Retreat & Conference Centre, Newry.**

Cost **£35 stg**, includes workshop, materials, and lunch! Everyone Welcome. To register please contact

**Milanda Kelly** Telephone Number: 00353429336649

### The Feast of All Saints – Holy Day of Obligation

**Vigil Mass, Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October at 7.30pm**

**Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> November Mass 10am**

**The Feast of All Souls**

**Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November 10.00 am & 7.30pm**

A special plenary indulgence can be gained on All Souls Day, by making a visit to the Church, recite one Our Father and the Creed, receive Holy Communion and pray one additional Our Father and Hail Mary for the intentions of the Pope.

### Annual Mass of Remembrance

A special Mass for the families and friends of those who died in the parish during the past year will be held on **Monday 14<sup>th</sup> November at 7.30pm.**

Refreshments afterwards in church porch.

Members of the Bereavement Team will be present if you wish to speak to them.

### Annual Parish Assembly (See Agenda in PPC Notice)

The annual Parish Assembly will take place on: **Monday, 7<sup>th</sup> November**

In the Parish Centre at 8pm – **All parishioners are warmly invited and to attend.**

### Today is Mission Sunday.

It is the one day when we are specifically asked to dig into our hearts and minds and assist our Church's universal mission.

Our theme for this year's Mission Sunday is 'Every Christian is a Missionary'. We all have the privilege of sharing God's love with those who have not yet heard Him.

In his message for Mission Sunday Pope Francis says "As they travel through the streets of the world, the disciples of Jesus need to have a love without limits, the same measure of love that our Lord has for all people. We proclaim the most beautiful and greatest gifts that he has given us: his life and his love".

The Irish missionary disciples need our spiritual and financial help today. We have some 1,200 men and women working in all corners of the world, each playing his or her part on the missionary journey. Your financial help today is crucial to their work.

We can't do it without you. Large or small, it makes a huge difference and we thank you sincerely for your help. [www.wmi.ie](http://www.wmi.ie)

### The Alpha Course ....

Is there more to life than this?

Continues in The Devenish Complex, Finaghy Road North:

The course will continue each Wednesday night

7.30pm – 9pm until December.

Ever had a burning question about God, Christianity or life? Come along and join in as we explore faith together at The Alpha Course.

Sponsored by St Michael's, St Anne's, Our Lady Queen of Peace & Lowe Memorial. Come along and meet new friends!

### Our Lady of Fatima

The First Saturday devotions will take place in

St. Matthias' Church, Glen Road, Belfast on Saturday 5th of November at 3pm  
Confession, Rosary, Adoration, Mass, Divine Mercy Chaplet. All are welcome.