



# St. Anne's Parish

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## ***Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe 20<sup>th</sup> November 2016 Year C Psalter 2***

### **First Reading: 2 Samuel 5:1-3**

This reading comes from the golden age of the Jewish monarchy with the anointing of David and subsequently his son, Solomon. What is the nature of leadership? How can the will of God be best expressed in the one who leads?

### **Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 121**

*I rejoiced when I heard they say "Let us go to God's house" -*

### **Second Reading: 2 Colossians 1:12-20**

It seems appropriate at the end of the year to give thanks to God. This letter was sent to this small city in Asia Minor around the year AD80, while Paul was in prison. The affirmation of the power of God seems as much for Paul's benefit as for ours. God rescues us from darkness, redeems us and forgives us our sins. The second part of the reading is the hymn of praise to Jesus Christ.

### **Gospel Reading: Luke 23; 35-43**

The gospel finds us at Calvary. Despite everything that Jesus has endured, he now has to cope with the taunts of the bystanders, the soldiers and one of the criminals. To borrow the image from the first reading, they think they are executing a commander; but Jesus is a shepherd. From his first appearance at the Jordan and in the Synagogue at Nazareth, Jesus has spoken of a different type of kingdom. Every time he uses the phrase, "the kingdom of heaven might be compared to" there is the anticipation of this kingdom.

### **Recently Deceased**

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

Martin McGonagle, John Murray, Betty Bourke, Margaret Ranaghan, Josephine Callan, Paul Murphy, Liam McQuillan whose anniversaries are at this time and those whose names are in the Book of Remembrance. We remember all those whose names are included on the November Dead Lists. May they rest in peace.

### **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.

#### **Beginning Experience**

The loss of a partner through death, separation or divorce is devastating. Beginning Experience is offering 'a weekend away for a lifetime of change' at Drumalis, Larne, 25<sup>th</sup>-27<sup>th</sup> November  
Contact Phil: 02890 207645 or Marcella: 07505353645 or email [bebelfast@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:bebelfast@yahoo.co.uk)

**The Alpha Course ....** Continues in The Devenish Complex, Finaghy Road North:  
The course will continue each Wednesday night 7.30pm – 9pm until December

Keep Calm-Slow Down for Christmas

#### **11am- 3pm Clonard Monastery, Saturday 26 November.**

Time for you-time for God. A chance for you to rediscover Advent and Christmas with space for yourself to pray and think, gently guided by Breige O'Hare. Bring a packed lunch. Tea/coffee provided. Donation £5. Ring Clonard 02890445950 or contact Breige's website [www.athomewithgod.co.uk](http://www.athomewithgod.co.uk)

**Mass for Deceased Teachers of Down and Connor - Monday 21<sup>st</sup> November 7.30pm**  
In Good Shepherd Church, Ormeau Road. Refreshments afterwards.

**Advent Day of Reflection with Sean Goan at Tobar Mhuire Retreat Centre Crossgar**  
on Saturday 10th December from 10am - 5pm Cost £30 per person includes lunch  
Please phone Tobar Mhuire 02844830242 to reserve your place

#### **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.

**Parish Finance –** The Weekly collection amounted to: **£1950.21**

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

**St Anne's Primary School P.T.A.**

Are holding their annual Christmas Fair on:

**Sunday, 27<sup>th</sup> November** 11am – 2pm, St Anne's Parish Centre.  
Something For Everyone. Come along and show your support!

**Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> November – Orthodox Sisters of St Elizabeth**

The Sisters will be here again this year with their unique handmade gifts for sale.  
*Just in time for Christmas* -Please come along and show your support.

**Habitat for Humanity N.I. /Living Youth Ethiopia Team: 10-22 July 2017.**

Be part of this exciting ongoing partnership between Living Youth and Habitat's Global Village programme in Ethiopia! Twelve years ago a volunteer team from Ulster University was the catalyst for our Ethiopia Partnership. Since then thousands of lives have been transformed through small changes which make a world of difference; simple homes, clean water, proper toilets. Global Village is the name given to Habitat for Humanity's international volunteering programme. Its aims are to raise homes, funds and awareness about the need for decent housing and water sanitation. The programme is a unique short-term opportunity where you will join a team which has the privilege of working alongside families in need. Equally important is the personal development aspect of these trips with perspectives broadened, skills enhanced and lives changed. This will be Living Youth's fifth team to Ethiopia. "The trip was one of the best experiences of my life. Seeing the happiness, hope and joy the partnership was bringing to homeowners was incredible." *Previous Team Member* **Personal Donation £700; Personal Fundraising Target £1400.** For further information and details of online applications please contact: [conormccarthy@livingyouthni.org](mailto:conormccarthy@livingyouthni.org) **Closing Date for Applications:**

**Wednesday 30 November 2016.**

**Mass of Hope – Suicide Awareness & Support Group**

Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> November 3.00pm Clonard Monastery –  
All Families bereaved and all Denominations welcome.

**Knock All Night Vigil**

Buses will depart from King Street & Kennedy Way on:

**Wed. 7<sup>th</sup> December at 3pm returning on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> December at Noon**

Price £43 to include dinner and breakfast. To book please phone 90311652

Or call into the Pilgrim Shop, King Street £10 deposit required.

**Divine Mercy Holy Hour - Church of the Nativity**

**Thurs 24th Nov 7.30pm** - Exposition Blessed Sacrament,  
Divine Mercy Chaplet **Mass 8pm**

**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

**'The St Mary's CBGS Parents' Association** is running their annual fundraising Quiz in the school Assembly Hall Glen Road on Friday 25<sup>th</sup> November at 8.00pm.

You can bring your own refreshments (BYOB) for what promises to be an entertaining evening in a competitive yet fun event involving staff, parents and friends of the school.

All proceeds to Lighthouse Mental Health Charity and Year 8 Edmund Rice Awards.

**United Advent Service of Dunmurry Churches Together –  
First Sunday of Advent - 27<sup>th</sup> November**

**6.30pm in St Anne's Church**

You will be very welcome to this Advent Service with our fellow Christians  
It is an expression of our desire to Pray and Worship Together in preparation for Christmas. (hymn practice beforehand at 5pm)

**Knights of St Columbanus Mass for Deceased Members**

Will be held on Wednesday, 23<sup>rd</sup> November at 7.30pm in St Patrick's Church, Donegal Street, Belfast. During our recent presentations at Masses in various Parishes, a number of family members expressed pride that their husbands, fathers etc were members of our Order. This year we are extending a special invitation to families of deceased members to attend this Mass, as we would like to re-connect with you and try to make you feel part of our Order again.

If you would like to attend the Mass and join us for light refreshments afterwards in the Canon O'Neill Centre, can you please call Charlie on 07850203835 or email [charlie@saintkillians.ie](mailto:charlie@saintkillians.ie)  
To ensure we cater for everyone.

**A SPECIAL MASS OF REMEMBRANCE –**

Is being organised by St Paul's Disability Care group and will be held on Friday, 25 November 2016 in St Paul's Church, Falls Road, Belfast at 7.30pm followed by refreshments immediately afterwards in the Fr O'Kane Centre.

This Mass will remember all those with a disability or special needs who have died. If you would like a friend or family member remembered in this Mass, please contact Bernadette on 9028 5374, Frances on 077 1891 4692 or Mary on 94423956 or email [stpaulsdisabilitycaregroup@hotmail.com](mailto:stpaulsdisabilitycaregroup@hotmail.com)

**In Joyful Hope – Next celebration of the Eucharist is on Wednesday, 23<sup>rd</sup> November at 8pm in Clonard Church.**

'In Joyful Hope' is an initiative organised by Catholic, Methodist, Presbyterian and Church of Ireland clergy which respects Catholic Eucharistic discipline while hoping to bring nearer the day when Christians from different Churches can share in a common Eucharist. This celebration will also mark the upcoming first anniversary of **Fr Gerry Reynolds** who was one of the founding clergy of this 'New Step in Eucharistic Communion'. All welcome!

**St Agnes' Choral Society celebrates 60th Anniversary**

St Agnes' Choral Society was founded in 1957 by the late Father Black and a number of musical enthusiasts from the local community. The company would like to extend an invitation to parishioners and members of the local community to join us at our 60th Anniversary Ball which is being held at The Ramada Hotel, Shawsbridge on Friday 25th November. To purchase tickets please contact our company secretary at, [agneschoral@gmail.com](mailto:agneschoral@gmail.com) or contact 07753222003.

**Retired Teacher Volunteers urgently needed one morning per week**

"The children's charity Sólás is looking for 12 Retired Teachers, to provide 1:1 support to children, with additional educational needs, in a number of primary schools in West, North and South Belfast. One morning per week, during term time, is required and full induction and ongoing support will be provided. Please contact Anne at Sólás on 02890 247600, Mobile 07729 779242 or email [anne@solasbt7.com](mailto:anne@solasbt7.com) for further details and information pack".