

### 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.

#### St. Anne's Primary School and Nursery Unit – Enrolment

in Nursery Unit and Primary 1 for September 2017.

**Nursery** - Children born on or between 02/07/13 and 01/07/14 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 5<sup>th</sup> December from the school office. The closing date for applications for a Nursery place is **Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> January 2017, by 12 noon.**

**Primary 1** - Children born on or between 02/07/12 and 01/07/13 must begin their Primary education in September 2017. Listed below are the dates for the Primary 1 Open Days. Application forms and the school prospectus will be available from 5<sup>th</sup> December from the school office. The closing date for applications for a Primary 1 place is: **Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> January 2017, by 12 noon.**

**Primary 1 Open Days** - Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> December 2016, 1.00 – 2.00pm

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2017, 1.00 – 2.00pm

(Tour begins at 1.00pm, Principal's address at 1.45pm. Please park in the church car park and proceed to the Main School Office, Block D)

#### Christmas Collections –

The proceeds of 'Christmas Collection' envelopes taken up on Christmas Day are for the support of the Priests of the Down & Connor Diocese.

**Parish Finance** – The Weekly collection amounted to: **£2796.87**

Sincere thanks for your continued generosity.

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



# St. Anne's Parish

*Pastoral Community of Derriaghy & Colin*

**Very Reverend Feargal McGrady, PP**

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**The Nativity of Our Lord Jesus Christ**  
**25<sup>th</sup> December 2016 Year A Psalter 1**



#### Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 97

**All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God -**

#### Recently Deceased

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

Diana Brown & Monsignor Colm McCaughan who died recently.  
Padraig McKeag, Brendan McGarrigle, Maureen Slevin, Louise MacSherry,  
Marie Douglas, Nora Nash, Paddy Murray, Winnie Wilkinson  
whose anniversaries are at this time and those whose names are in the  
Book of Remembrance. **May they rest in peace. Amen**

### **Christmas & New Year Blessings .....**

As we celebrate the Great Feast of the Nativity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, Sr Mary and I would like to thank you all sincerely for your prayers, help and generous support throughout this past year. May you all have a Blessed, Happy and Grace filled Christmas.

May the Christ Child bring to birth Consolation in the hearts of all those bereaved or suffering over the past year. You are in our thoughts and prayers during the Christmas Masses.

May God Bless You All. Fr Feargal & Sr Mary



## **Christmas Mass Times**

**Christmas Eve - Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> December**  
**Vigil Mass at 7.30pm - Mass of the Nativity: 10pm**  
**With Carol Singing at 9.40pm**

### **Christmas Day Masses**

**10am & 12 Noon - Carol Singing from 9.35am**

**All money raised through the special 'Christmas Collection' envelopes is for the support of the Priests of the Down and Connor Diocese.**

**Monday (26<sup>th</sup> December) - Feast of St. Stephen - No Mass**

### **Daily Masses**

**Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> December - Our Lady Queen of Peace 7.00 pm**  
**Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> December - St Anne's 10.00 am**  
**Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> December - St Patrick's 6.30 pm**  
**Friday 30<sup>th</sup> December - Our Lady Queen of Peace 9.30 am**

**Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> January - Mass at 10.00 am & 12 Noon**

**Vigil mass (Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> December) 6.30 pm**

**Feast of Mary, The Holy Mother of God**

**World Day of Peace**

**Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> January - St Anne's 7.30 pm**  
**Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January - St Colman's 9.30am**  
**Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> January - Our lady Queen of Peace 9.30 am**  
**Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> January - St Anne's 10.00 am**

**Friday 6<sup>th</sup> January: Feast of the Epiphany**  
**(Holy Day of Obligation) Vigil Mass Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> 7.30 pm**  
**Friday 6<sup>th</sup> 10.00 am**

### **Eucharistic Adoration**

**Adoration postponed until Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> January '17**

**Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> & Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> Masses as normal**  
**Usual Mass Schedule Resumes.**



### **Laganside Sinfonia 'American Classics' Charity Concert for Welcome Organisation (Help the Homeless)**

Come along to see Laganside Sinfonia perform an 'American Classics' concert in Girdwood Community Hub on 28th December 2016 at 7:45pm with music by Gershwin, Bernstein and more! Admission is free but a retiring collection will be taken up at the end of the concert with all profits going to the Welcome Organisation (Help the Homeless). Post concert refreshments will also be served. For more information visit [www.lagansidesinfonia.co.uk](http://www.lagansidesinfonia.co.uk).

### **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.

### **O Come Let Us Adore Him!!!!**

The Live Crib will open at St Mary's Church, Chapel Lane, Belfast on Saturday 13th Dec. Come along to The Grotto and meet the Holy Family, Shepherds and Kings. Also featuring, Henry the donkey, goats, Emily and Buttercup, and friends. All donations to Tuesday's Child's Following Yonder Star Christmas Appeal for children living in extreme hardship in Gaza, Kenya and Brazil. Carol singers and school groups welcome. The crib will run until 6th Jan '17, animals arrive at 11 a.m. and go home at 5p.m. each day.

### **First Saturday Devotions**

St Matthias's Church, Glen Road, Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> January  
3.00pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Confessions  
4.00pm Holy Sacrifice of the Mass.

### **Come Home for Christmas**

Let us this Christmas remember non-church going Catholics who, for one reason or another, have given up the practice of their faith and no longer go to Mass. With great respect and love, we say to them, "We are your family; we miss you and need you. Please return to us. Please come home for Christmas?"

*Can I do anything to help?*

*- Pray every day for those who are no longer coming to Church on Sundays*

*- Perhaps if the moment is right suggest gently, they take the chance to try again.*