

### 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.**

**Nursery Open Days** - Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> December 2016, 2.30 – 3.30pm  
Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December 2016, 2.30 – 3.30pm  
(Principal's address at 2.45pm.)

Please park in the church car park and proceed to the Nursery Unit

**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)



# St. Anne's Parish

**Pastoral Community of Derriaghy & Colin**  
**Very Reverend Feargal McGrady, PP**

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## Second Sunday of Advent

4<sup>th</sup> December 2016 Year A Psalter 2

**First Reading: Isaiah 11:1-10**

The stock of Jesse, the wolf living with the lamb; this magnificent Advent word picture. Dream it. Imagine it. Conjure it in your mind and soul. Let it percolate, reminding us that the Season of Expectation is underway. Something entirely new is happening. Jesus of Nazareth, Son of God, is soon to be born in history. Let it percolate our souls, our deepest selves.

**Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 71**

*In his days justice shall flourish and peace till the moon fails -*

**Second Reading: Romans 15:4-9**

Treating each other with profound reverence and respect: imagine what this means with people we know. Only then are we truly doing the Lord's work and will.

**Gospel Reading: Matthew 3:1-12**

The dramatic, colourful persons of John the Baptist emerging from the wilderness, calling us to join the circus, become acrobats, perform somersaults, turn our lives completely around: this is repentance.

**Recently Deceased**

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

Fr Paul Devine, Mary Willaghan & Paul Shiels who died recently.  
Simon & Kathleen Clarke, Stella Anderton, Thomas & Bridget Patty  
whose anniversaries are at this time and those whose names are in the Book of  
Remembrance.

**May they rest in peace. Amen**

### St Paul's Missal – 2017

Missals on sale this weekend in Church Porch **£5.50 each**

### One World Group – This Weekend after ALL Masses

Traidcraft – Christmas Goods, Secondhand Bookstall –

**Christmas Hamper Ballot** - Tickets will be on sale - draw will take place after 12 Noon Mass in the Parish Centre.



#### Trocaire Gifts:

*A perfect Gift for the person who has everything  
An opportunity to really support those who are much less fortunate than ourselves.*



### St Anne's Conference of S.V.D.P.

#### Annual Christmas Appeal 17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> December - Please give generously!

A member of the Conference, Mrs Maeve Catney will speak at Masses to launch their appeal.

Senior Citizens are warmly invited to Christmas Lunch in the Balmoral Hotel on **Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> December at 1pm.** Contact the parish office with your name and telephone number.

### PIONEER CHRISTMAS ITEMS

Anyone wishing to purchase Pioneer calendars (£2.50) Cards (£1.90) or Diaries (£1) please contact Adrienne 9062 2352 or Ian 9061 6601.

### Youth 2000 Christmas Retreat

Youth 2000 invites all young adults between ages 16-35 to a Catholic weekend Retreat taking place from December 16<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup>, Newbridge College, Co Kildare

The weekend is being organised by young people for young people. Parental consent is essential for all those under 18 years of age. All meals are provided for and accommodation is on site. Don't let money be an obstacle – just bring a donation and a sleeping bag. Newcomers very welcome! Free buses picking up from various areas throughout the country. Booking is essential. Contact [www.youth2000.ie](http://www.youth2000.ie) or telephone 00353(0) 1 6753690

### Weekend Retreat Experience

Esker Retreat house, Athenry, Co Galway

**Friday 9<sup>th</sup> – Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> December 2016**

Theme: Healing in the Spirit.

A weekend of healing and wholeness in body, mind and spirit based on the Word of God and the Sacraments.

Facilitator: Fr Jim McManus C.Ss.R

Cost: £185 (includes full board and travel by luxury coach)

Coach departs Clonard Monastery at 12.30pm on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> and returns to Clonard by 7pm on Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> December.

Contact Fr Fonsie Doran tel: 028 90445950

### Advent Programme

#### Second Sunday of Advent 4<sup>th</sup> December 7.00 pm

Evening prayer in honour of Our Lady

#### Thursday, 8<sup>th</sup> December – Feast of the Immaculate Conception

Holy Day of Obligation

*Vigil Mass; Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> at 7.30 pm*

*Thursday: Mass at 10.00 am – Traditional Choir*

#### Third Sunday of Advent, 11<sup>th</sup> December – 7.00 pm

*Prayer Service of Light - With Christian Life Community*

#### Fourth Sunday of Advent – 18<sup>th</sup> December - 4.00 pm

*Penitential Service (Folk Group)*

*Visiting priests in attendance*

### Invitation to all Parishioners

The Parish Community of Saint Anne's is warmly invited to partake in refreshments and enjoy a mince pie in the church porch after all masses during the weekend of 17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> December.

*The intention is for our parishioners to gather at this festive time of year.*

### 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.

### 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”.

### 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: **£1800.03**

Sincere thanks for your continued generosity.

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