



St. Anne's Parish

Pastoral Community of Derriaghy & Colin

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Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5th February 2017 Year A Psalter 1

First Reading Isaiah 58:7-10

There is a saying which we are all familiar with – “When all is said and done, there’s a lot more said than done”.

Faith, hope and charity only really come alive when they are done.

Responsorial Psalm: 111

The good man is a light in the darkness for the upright -

Second Reading 1 Corinthians 2:1-5

Paul is only too well aware of his own weakness and limitations. Yet in the midst of knowing this he experiences the power of God in him. Because of this he can sincerely share the crucified and risen Christ with the Church. We too have been commissioned to preach the Word and can do so authentically when we realise our own weaknesses and double standards.

Gospel Reading Matthew 5:13-16

In Jesus’ time salt was used for much more than seasoning food, when mixed with animal dung, made into a patty and placed on a slab of salt, the chemical reaction gave off quite a heat. The Gospel is really about Jesus urging his disciples to be on fire and in doing so let his light shine so that all can see.

Recently Deceased

Please pray for the happy repose of the souls of:

John Rooney and Anthony Campbell who died recently.

Lynn De Ornellas whose months mind occurs at this time.

Robert Murray, James & Isobel Brady, William Craig, & Patsy Ranaghan all 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:

1st & 3rd Sundays of the month at 1.15pm

Contact the parish office to book – One month’s notice is required.

MARRIED COUPLES

Gift yourselves a special weekend break together to boost and refresh your relationship by making a **Marriage Renewal Weekend**. The next Weekend will be at The Creggan Court Hotel, Athlone from 3rd to 5th March 2017. For more info and / or to book, visit www.marriageencounter.ie or call (087) 784 0408. Weekends are presented by **Catholic Marriage Encounter in Ireland**.

Could you give me love, fun and security ‘til I grow up?

Foster Carers urgently needed, information evening:

Thursday 9th February from 7pm-9pm Crowne Plaza Hotel, Belfast BT8 Register your interest call 028 9504 0057 or email: Maired.Sloan@setrust.hsni.net

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2017

Full board in 3* hotel: 7 nights (10-17 July) for £675 or 5 Nights (11-16 July) for £590. Full board for sick or infirm pilgrims with medical and nursing care in Accueil Notre-Dame: 5 Nights £490. Youth Team (8-17 July) £500

All flights from Belfast, Application forms now available from the Parish office. Or Pilgrimage Office 9064 6040 or email: Lourdes@downandconnor.org.

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 Collections** amounted to: **£2028.91**

Sincere thanks for your continued generosity.

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

Malachy Bernard McGrady R.I.P.

Dear People of God, Dear parishioners of St Annes,
I wish to express my profound gratitude and that of my mother and family, for your prayers and support at this time, subsequent to the death – or “birth into eternal life”, of my father. May his goodness go before him into eternal joy. We were humbled by the offerings of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, Sympathy Cards, letters and messages we received over the last two weeks. “I thank God every time I think of you”
As it would seem impossible for me to respond personally to everyone who expressed their sympathy in various ways, could I ask you please to accept these words of thanks as an attempt, at least, to express our appreciation of your wonderful spiritual support at this time.
May God bless you and St Anne, (to whom my mother is devoted), intercede for you.
Feargal P. McGrady P.P.

St Brigid’s Crosses

Thank you to all parishioners who bought St Brigid’s Crosses, the very generous sum of **£549.40** was raised and will be given to the Children’s Hospice.
Sincere thanks also to the volunteers who made the crosses.

St Brigid’s Day Lecture 2017- Tuesday 7th February

by *His eminence Cardinal Vincent Nichols*, Archbishop of Westminster, “Significant aspects of the Jubilee of Mercy” in St Brigid’s Church Derryvolgie Ave

DIOCESAN VOCATION WEEKEND

Are you being called to make Christ’s presence real in the world? Have you ever considered the possibility that God is calling you to do so as a priest in the Church? If so, take this opportunity to gather with other men who are discerning a vocation to the priesthood – take the time and space to help you discern God’s calling in your life.

The retreat will take place in Drumalis Retreat Centre, from Friday 17th – Sunday 19th February 2017. If you wish to attend this retreat or would like further information contact: Fr. Kevin McGuckien, 23 Hannahstown Hill, Belfast, BT17 0LT (02890614567) Email:k.mcguickien@downandconnor.org.

Day of Prayer to Find God’s Peace and Healing- Lisburn Cathedral
Saturday 18th February 10am-5pm *An opportunity to pray for the future of our country.* Come and go as you please! **Divine Healing Ministries**
Personal prayer will be available for anyone who wishes to receive it.

Peacock Academy of Irish Dance - Classes every Wednesday and Friday
Beginners: 5.30pm – 6.30pm, Advanced: 5.30pm – 7.30pm – in the Parish Centre
Please contact Karly for more info + to sign up, 07515510070

Could you spare some time to help with the cleaning of the Church.
There is a rota in place, so your commitment would be once a month!
Please contact the parish office for more details.

One World Group Traidcraft Stall - Back after the Christmas break
this weekend after all Masses- Please come along and show your support.

Volunteer (s) Needed

The small number of Catholic Residents in the Pines Nursing Home would appreciate receiving Holy Communion on a weekly basis.
We are grateful that one person has already volunteered, *if another could join her* that would make the task lighter.

Please contact the parish office with your name and telephone number.

Parish Mission

What is a mission?

Very simply an opportunity for busy people to quiet themselves a bit in order to listen and experience the voice of God within them. Having said that, each evening of mission mixes humor, music, storytelling, and prayer. It’s a powerfully spiritual experience, and enjoyable.

Who is mission for?

Mission is for anyone who wants to know Jesus more and invigorate their faith. The message and delivery appeals to all ages. It is also a powerful opportunity for fallen away or alienated Catholics to find healing and welcome. In other words, it is unifying and motivational, and it’s for everyone.

How long is it?

Here’s the best part. Each evening of mission lasts 45 minutes, *that’s a promise.* So you still have time to get back home to watch TV. It’s so little to give compared to what you will receive in return.

IGNITE
YOUR
FAITH

Parish Mission Commences
18th March