

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

Weekdays:

Monday 7.30pm
Tues - Sat. 10.00am

Adoration of the Blessed**Sacrament:**

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.

**Divine Mercy Holy Hour**

**Thursday 31st August 7.30pm, Church of the Nativity,
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament,
singing of the Divine Mercy Chaplet, Mass 8pm**

Will You Lend A Hand?

The Legion of Mary needs young men between 16-18 to give 2 hours per week working for homeless men in Morning Star House, Belfast. If you are interested or would like to find out more information please Contact Michael 07763418867

RCIA Programme

The RCIA programme begins at St. Mary's, Chapel Lane on Thursday 5th October 2017. Should you wish to take part, please contact Fr. James Boyle MHM, or Anne McCrossan ASAP to arrange a meeting and register. *Poster in Church Porch.*
Tel: 02890 320482 or Email: administratorofstmarys@btinternet.com

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: £1834.05
Sincere thanks for your continued generosity.**

Altar Society, Church Cleaners: **Group C this week** (please confirm to parish office).



St. Anne's Parish

Pastoral Community of Derriaghy & Colin

Very Reverend Feargal McGrady, PP

St Anne's Parochial House, Tel: 9061 0112

Parish Sister: Sr. Mary Murray. Tel: 9061 0112

Parish office: 9061 0112 Parish Centre: 07745169205

Website: www.saintannesparish.net email: office@saintannesparish.net

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

20th August 2017 Year A Psalter4

First Reading: Iisaiah 56:1,6-7

The Hebrews were God's chosen people, chosen in God's plan to be the context in which his son would take flesh. Over time, consciousness of God's choice led them to believe that this God was theirs exclusively. Isaiah points out that this is not so. It is a suitable prelude to this weekend's Gospel.

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 66

Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you. -

Second Reading: Romans 11:12-15, 29-32

Distraught at the refusal of his own people to accept Jesus as the Promised One, Paul strenuously points out that this does not mean their total rejection by God, more certainly since some Jews have accepted Jesus as their Risen Saviour. The tragic failure of his own people is not necessary to allow room for the Gentiles as both are priorities in the plan of salvation.

Gospel: Matthew 15:21-28

This Gospel reading seems to be an intrusion into the story of Jesus' formation of Peter by strengthening his faith (last Sunday) and giving him the keys (next Sunday). In between these two momentous religious experiences, we have an insertion of ordinary daily living, a woman with a sick little girl looking for help in a male – dominated environment and she herself an outsider as well. To Jesus' discredit perhaps her initial plea was not received but perseverance paid off.

Recently Deceased

Please pray for the happy repose of the souls of:

Netta Warren and Roisin Hill whose Months Mind occurs.

Annette McKeever, Fr Colm McGrady, Henrietta McCann, Joe McCann and Joan Lenzie, whose anniversaries are at this time and those whose names are in the Book of remembrance. May they rest in peace. Amen.

MISSION APPEALS.

Next week-end, the annual Mission Appeal will take place in our parish, made by the Congregation of the Little Sisters of the Assumption.

The Little Sisters of the Assumption have been in Ireland since 1891 and over 50 years in our Diocese. They would greatly appreciate any support you can give to their missionary work among some of the poorest people of today's world, particularly in Latin America.

Many thanks - Sr. Bride Counihan LSA

Sr Anne's Monday Night Bridge Club

Will resume Monday, 4th September –

Interested in joining? - New Members Welcome!!

Sólás - Retired Teacher Volunteers urgently needed one morning per week

“The children's charity Sólás urgently needs Retired Teachers, to provide 1:1 support to children, with additional educational needs, in a number of primary schools in various parts of Belfast. One morning per week, during term time, is required and full induction and ongoing support will be provided.

Please contact Anne Cahill at on 02890 247600, Mobile 07729 779242 or email anne@solasbt7.com for further details.

St Anne's Conference St Vincent de Paul

Thank you for the kind bicycle donations, we have a constant demand for bicycles so if you have a spare or unwanted bicycle please consider donating it.

Belfast Community Gospel Choir

St Bernard's Church, Friday 6th October at 8pm

Appletree Daycare – Summer Scheme still running during August-variety of activities including sports, creative activities etc.

Reminder - Breakfast club and afterschools re-commence in September.

For information, please contact Oisín 028 90614441 or Bronagh 07790845189

Website – www.appletreebelfast.co.uk or email us –appletreedaycare@yahoo.co.uk

“Friends of our Lady of Guadalupe” Campaign for ‘One Million Rosaries’

Working towards the Feast day of 12th December – if you are interested in assisting please contact the Parish Office – 028 9061 0112 – email office@saintannesparish.net

Hospital Visitors' Course 2017

The next Hospital visitors' course run by the NI Healthcare Chaplains' Association (NIHCA) and Edgehill College will run for 10 weeks beginning Thurs 21st September from 7.30 - 9.30pm at Edgehill College, Belfast, aimed at lay people who are interested in hospital visitation, within the local church context or a chaplaincy context, or who already visit hospitals - further info - application form contact: Mrs Kay Irvine, College Administrator, Edgehill Theological College, 9 Lennoxvale, Belfast 9 or email: kirvine@edgehillcollege.org

Celebrating One Year to the World Meeting of Families 2018 in Knock

The launch of the one-year programme of preparation for World Meeting of Families 2018, which will take place at the Knock Shrine, County Mayo, on Monday 21st August 2017 on the Anniversary of the Apparition of Our Lady in Knock.

This day of celebration will include liturgical moments, the celebration of the Eucharist, workshops, as well as faith and fun activities for all the family. The WMOF2018 Icon of the Holy Family will be unveiled and anointed at Mass in the Basilica at 3pm and then begin its journey around the dioceses of Ireland. Please join us in Knock that day with all your family! We look forward to welcoming families from every diocese across the country for this special celebration. More information: www.worldmeeting2018.ie

Down & Connor Diocesan Liturgy Seminar

Title: “Putting on Christ – A Journey of Transformation. The Rite of Christian Initiation in Action”. Saturday 23rd September 2017 1.30pm – 4.30pm

St Brigid's Parish Centre, 38 Derryvolgie Avenue, Belfast, BT9 6FP. Presented by Jane Ferguson, The Council for Liturgy the Irish Bishops' Conference. The Seminar is open to all, cost £10 per person.

Contact: Malachy McKeever, 07760108903, email liturgy@downandconnor.org.

KUDOS ACADEMY Maths and English tuition classes for Primary 7 pupils, starting back on Wednesday 6th September - a few places remaining. For more information visit www.kudosacademy.org or contact Aisling on 07759477990

Folk Group at 12 o'clock Mass. Do you enjoy singing

or do you play an instrument and are over the age of eighteen?

We are looking for dedicated and committed Parishioners who enjoy music and signing.

If you attend twelve o'clock mass on a Sunday you will see us singing our hearts out. If interested, please see Breda McCrory, Folk Group Leader after twelve o'clock Mass any

Sunday or contact the Parish Office leaving your name and contact number.

Singing is praying twice and can be part of your spiritual nourishment.

Fatima Centenary Conference, Fatima & the Triumph of the Immaculate Heart of Mary My Immaculate Heart will be your refuge and the way that will lead you to God.

Friday 8th & Saturday 9th September The Drummond Hotel Ballykelly, Co Derry

Call 00353 87 9141588 / info@drummondhotel.com

Grandparents National Annual Pilgrimage – 10th September 2017,

Knock Shrine at 2.30p.m. Everybody welcome to honour & thank Grandparents alive & dead for all they have done for us down through the ages.

Chief Celebrant Archbishop Eamon Martin – Ballina School Choir & Dana **Children's Prayer Appeal** - An invitation to all children to write a prayer for their Grandparents. All prayers will be blessed at the pilgrimage. Please send prayers to; Catholic Grandparents Association, Castlebar St, Westport Co Mayo or email info@catholicgrandparentsassociation.com.