



# St. Anne's Parish

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## **Second Sunday in Ordinary Time 14<sup>th</sup> January 2018 Year B Psalter 2**

### **First Reading 1 Samuel 3:3-10,19**

The contrasts between Eli and Samuel are noteworthy. Eli is old and Samuel is young. Eli's sight is failing and Samuel's hearing is sharp; Eli comes from a priestly tribe and Samuel was dedicated by his mother; Eli is wise and experienced while Samuel is inexperienced. Israel is on the verge of darkness and someone they least expect is called into leadership.

### **Responsorial Psalm: 39**

*Here I am Lord, I come to do your will –*

### **Second Reading 1 Corinthians**

In this reading, St Paul reminds us that our bodies are temples of the Holy Spirit. He challenges us to reflect on our lifestyle and what we do to enable our bodies to be as healthy as possible. But our bodies are more than the physical. They hold the essence of who we are and carry the deepest yearnings of our hearts. Our invitation is to treat the body in a way that leads to the fullness of life.

### **Gospel reading John 1:36-42**

Today's gospel from John presents a narrative not found in Mark's gospel. On the basis of John the Baptist's affirmation of Jesus, some of John's disciples had a desire to know Jesus better, so they left John to follow Jesus. They are ready to embark on a journey that will take them deeper into the depth of Jesus' heart.

### **Recently Deceased**

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

Paddy Rooney & Arthur Flynn who died recently.

Patricia & Brendan McBrien, John & Lily McGettigan, Catherine McEvoy Deirdre Durkan, Marie McHugh, Gertrude & Alex Warde 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:**

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:**

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**

**Are you suffering the pain of loss of a partner?** Looking for help and understanding? Beginning Experience (a support group for widowed, separated and divorced people) meets every Wednesday evening from **8pm to 10pm** in St Bride's Hall, 38, Derryvolgie Avenue, Malone Rd, Belfast. **Next meeting: 8pm on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> January. All welcome. Residential Weekend: 2-4 March at Drumalis, Larne. For details please contact Phil Tel: 028 90 207645 or Marie Tel: 07896119669**

### **KUDOS ACADEMY**

P6/7 Maths and English Tuition in St. Anne's Parish Hall.

We have a few places remaining in our classes beginning in February 2018. Classes will be held on Wednesday from 4.30pm - 5.45pm and also from 6.00pm - 7.15pm. Please visit [www.kudosacademy.org](http://www.kudosacademy.org) for more information and to join us. If you have any queries, please contact Aisling on 07759477990.

### **Pope Francis, tweets:**

*A joyful soul is like healthy soil in which life can thrive and produce good fruit.*

### **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: **£2718.20**

Sincere thanks for your continued generosity.

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

***Dunmurry Churches Together***

***Christian Unity Service – 7pm on Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> January***

This year the Service will be held in Dunmurry Presbyterian Church, Kingsway  
The Theme is “Liberation from Slavery”, prepared by the Carribean Churches  
Pope Francis continues to urge us to pray together in the face of secularization.  
We need each other!! Please come along and support this Service of Worship.

**Living Youth / Down & Connor Youth Commission**

Annual Church Collection will be taken up next weekend 20<sup>th</sup> /21<sup>st</sup> January

**Please collect a leaflet from the porch.**

**A Lecture by Lord Alton of Liverpool**

***“Legislating for Life”***

**In : St Brigid’s Parish Centre Derryvolgie Avenue Belfast BT9 6FP**

**On : Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> January at 7.30pm.**

David Alton is an Independent Life Peer, he is a Catholic and strongly holds a “pro-life” position. His motto on his Coat of Arms is taken from the Book of Deuteronomy:

**Choose Life.**

**A Day For Married Couples**

Will be held in Clonard Monastery, on: **Saturday, 27<sup>th</sup> January,**

Cost: £20 per couple to include lunch

For further information, please contact:

Jim & Rosemary McLoughlin, 07711070405

**Lectio Reflection on the Sunday Gospel**

Resumes on Wednesday, 10<sup>th</sup> January after the 10am Mass and at 7.30pm.

New seekers are welcome to join the constant regular members.

The Word of God is alive and active” Hb.4

**Welcome into the Church and Parish Family**

Iona Rose Anthony, Emily Helen Burns, Oliver Edward Doherty,

Polly Mary McGuigan who were baptized recently.

**The Emerald Ball at Titanic, Belfast - A Perfect Gift for Christmas**

*Will take place at Titanic, Belfast on St Patrick’s Day, 17th March 2018. The evening will commence with drinks at 7pm, followed by a superb four course dinner at 8pm. There will be a high-end luxury ballot and dancing to a live band. Dress formal. Monies raised will support the Down and Connor Lourdes Pilgrimage for the Sick. Tickets are £60 each and available from the pilgrimage secretary, Sinead on 02890646040 or the Drumbo Parish office on 02890812238.*

**Assumption Grammar School**

Open Day will take place on Saturday, 20<sup>th</sup> January from 10am 1pm

Principal’s Address: 10am & 11am.

We look forward prospective P6&P7 pupils with their parents, and those wishing to transfer into Sixth Form.

***Laudato Si’* Mysticism 1**

**FRESH EYES FOR 2018**

Pope Francis’ encyclical, *Laudato Si’* on Care for Our Common Home makes painful reading. It challenges us to change our flawed attitudes to Earth, and such change is hard. But behind the tough news is a *mysticism*, a faith-filled way of looking at Creation with ever-deeper love. Over the coming year we will explore this profound way of viewing creation. Then the pope’s challenges to us will be charged with new urgency, because as we come to love our Earth more, we will be drawn to defend it better.

**The Pope says, ‘It is our humble conviction that the divine and the human meet in the slightest detail in the seamless garment of God’s creation, in the last speck of dust of our planet’ (9).**

This faith-insight changes everything! We learn that every molecule of creation is sacred. See a plant, a bird, a carrot, a drop of water, a speck of dust in this way and you will begin to see the world as God sees it!

Keep coming back to this statement of Pope Francis. Take it in as best you can. Share your reflections with others and notice how your heart begins to soften with appreciation and concern for the small things of earth. God is the God of small things, so you meet God in them as well as in the Church, the sacraments, the Bible, the Christian community. This is what it means to be prayerful, to see all creation with eyes of wonder. Ask St Francis of Assisi or St Ignatius to share with you their way of seeing the world and finding God in everything!

**Brian Grogan SJ**

**Bangor Parish - 7 Day Trip to Brittany and Normandy**

From June 25<sup>th</sup> to July 1<sup>st</sup> joining the one day St Columbanus International Meeting in St Coulomb June 30<sup>th</sup>. The cost is 895 euro pp sharing, all breakfasts and dinners included, 3 nights Lisieux, 3 nights St Malo. Day trips include; Places associated with St Therese, Mont St Michel, Dinard and more. As there is great demand for hotel space in Brittany at this time prompt booking recommended.

Details and booking form on parish website [www.bangorparish.com](http://www.bangorparish.com)

***Pope Francis, tweets:***

***If we fail to suffer with those who suffer, even those of different religions, languages or cultures, we need to question our own humanity.***

**LIVING YOUTH – World Meeting of Families Volunteering**

Living Youth is leading a Youth Group from the Diocese of Down & Connor to Dublin this coming summer to volunteer at the World Meeting of Families Congress and to attend the Papal Mass. The trip will be from 22<sup>nd</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup> August 2018 and will be for those aged 16 – 25. The trip will cost £100 per person.

We expect places to fill quickly so to register your interest please email Living Youth @ [info@livingyouthni.org](mailto:info@livingyouthni.org) with your name, contact number, parish and d.o.b or contact us directly on 02890 232 432.

Come along and get involved and meet new friends!