



St. Anne's Parish

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Celebrating the Liturgy

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| 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 st & 3 rd Sundays of the month at 1.15pm Contact the parish office to book – One month's notice is required. | |

Lourdes 2018: we are currently seeking nurses (on the NMC live register - working in any area) to join the volunteer staff of the Diocesan Pilgrimage (11-16th July 2018). For more information please email us at lourdes@downandconnor.org or telephone the Pilgrimage Office (028) 90646040. The subsidised fare for nurses is £520. Thank you.

Yoga for Beginners (6 Week Course)
Improve coping skills for life's stresses. Starting: Mon. 12th February 11.00am -12.00 & Thurs.: 15th February 7.30pm – 8.30pm
For more information message Brenda (Yoga Teacher & Physiotherapist) 07810183205 or email bcafolia@ntlworld.com

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Weekly Toddle pops Classes
Calling all little ones and their grown ups! Toddle pops music and movement classes take place every Thursday in St Anne's Parish Centre at 10.30am (babies & toddlers) and 11.30am (older toddlers & pre-schoolers).
Toddle pops is suitable for babies, toddlers and pre-schoolers up to 4 years old. We sing, dance, play and tell stories. Contact Angela on [07890325551](tel:07890325551)

Parish Finance –
The **Weekly Collections** amounted to: **£1810.99**
Sincere thanks for your continued generosity.
Altar Society, Church Cleaners: **Group B this week.**

Second Sunday of Lent
25th February 2018 Year B Psalter 2

First Reading Genesis 22:1-2, 15-18

This narrative commences by telling us that God tested Abraham. He tests both his faith and his obedience. God seems to be going back on his promise. For Abraham's progeny is dependant on Isaac. It is often noted that God's prevention of the killing of Isaac is indicative of the refinement of the Jewish people, contrasting starkly with the barbarity of neighbouring civilisation who practiced human sacrifice.

Responsorial Psalm: 115

I will walk in the presence of the Lord in the land of the living -

Second Reading Romans 8:31-34

This reading seems to bring obedience into a perfect circle. God does not spare his Son, in order to give us everything. It is as though God is “obedient” to his impulse of love. Christ, in obedience to the Father and the demand of his love for us, died and was raised and at the right hand of God intercedes for us.

Gospel Reading Mark 9:2-10

Christ is the crossroads at which all the pathways of the Old Testament converge. The presence of Moses and Elijah is all important. Christ fulfils the law and the prophets. Peter blunders with his notion of three tents, in which he puts Christ on the same footing as the other two. For a moment, the darkness abates, the rising sun is here.

Recently Deceased

Please pray for the happy repose of the souls of:

Don Owens & Fred McGonnell who died recently

Colette Deery, Catherine Flynn, Margaret Ryan, Eileen Cullen, Terry McNeill

Anne Prior, Annie Callaghan, Dorothy Donnelly, Josie Catney

all whose anniversaries are at this time and those whose names are in the Book of

Remembrance. **May they rest in peace. Amen**

Please note - Extra Mass During Lent
There will be an extra Mass at 7am on Friday mornings during the month of March, starting Friday 2nd March (Mass will finish before 7.30am)

Lenten Programme 2018 – (Sunday’s at 7.00pm)

Second Sunday of Lent - 25th February

The Way of The Cross

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Third Sunday of Lent – 4th March

Evening Service presented by our Christian Life Community

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Fourth Sunday of Lent – 11th March

Mother’s Day (No evening service)

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Fifth Sunday of Lent – 18th March

Presented by our One World Group

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Sixth Sunday of Lent – 25th March

Parish Penitential Service - 4pm

(visiting priests in attendance).

Important Meeting

For ALL Eucharistic Ministers who bring Holy Communion to the sick and housebound in their own homes or in Nursing/Residential Homes.

Wednesday, 7th March at 7.30pm in the parish annex

Please make every effort to attend this meeting.

ALPHA – Explore Life’s Big Questions

Hosted by St Anne’s & Lowe memorial Church

Balmoral Hotel / Thursday 8th March /7.30pm

Superhero!! Come and hear a “Great Footballers” story!

Friday 2nd March 7.30pm in Lowe Church

“Love...It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres. Love never fails.” 1 Corinthians 13, 4-7. Trócaire has launched it’s Lenten campaign ‘Until Love Conquers Fear’. Fear is felt by millions of people around the world who can’t feed their families, are forced to flee their homes because of conflict or are imprisoned for standing up for their rights. Love is the support shown to them by people here at home through the Lenten campaign. To find out more visit www.trocaire.org

In November over 30,000 Irish People gathered at our coasts to pray the rosary to preserve Life & Faith in Ireland. Now we turn to our Mass Rocks and Ancient Monastic Sites, on Sunday March 18th, at 2.30pm, to pray the rosary, and ask our deceased brethren, who risked their lives for the faith, to intercede for Ireland. Sign up a location at www.coastalrosaryireland.ie.

Rally For Life – Save the Date

Rally to save the 8th! Parnell Square, Dublin 10.03.18

Lenten Sacrifice for Life

You are invited to participate in a Lenten Sacrifice for Life 2018 for the intention of saving the 8th Amendment to our Constitution. You are invited to choose each day, one of the following practices for the duration of Lent.

Attend a weekly Mass

- A period of Eucharistic Adoration
- In a day abstain from the internet (this excludes access required by your job)
- Recite one decade of the Rosary
- Read and meditate on the Gospel of the day for 15 mins.
- Give money/alms to the poor, to pro-life, or some other worthy charity.
- Fast from food or abstain from meat.

Pope Francis tweets

“Every life counts: from the beginning to the end, from conception to natural death,”

Edmund Rice Schools Trust

Annual Foundation Lecture - St Mary’s University College

Tuesday, 13th March, 7.30pm – Speaker: Mr Gerry Lundy

“Adapting to a World in Transformation:

Current and future Challenges for Catholic Schooling in the Northern Ireland Context.

Registration for all WMOF2018 events is open via www.worldmeeting2018.ie.

Individual pilgrims and families can now register for the main three-day WMOF2018 Congress from August 22nd – 24th, guaranteeing your ticket(s) for the Festival of Families on Saturday 25th August and for the Closing Mass on Sunday, 26th August.

Thousands of people have already registered with considerable interest from overseas.

Don’t miss out on these once in a generation events. REGISTER NOW!

www.worldmeeting2018.ie

The World Meeting of Families 2018 will attract thousands of Irish and International pilgrims. Organising it and seeing it through will only be possible with the help of thousands of volunteers. **Why not make volunteering for WMOF2018** a New Year’s resolution for 2018? You can sign up on www.worldmeeting2018.ie, email volunteer@worldmeeting2018.ie or call (01) 5676800.

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.

50th anniversary of the opening of St Patrick’s College, Knock

To mark the 50th anniversary of the opening of St Patrick’s College, Knock past pupils, parents, staff and former governors are invited to a Mass of Thanksgiving at 7.30pm on Friday 16th March 2018 in Our Lady and St Patrick’s College, Knock. For further details telephone 028 9040 1184 or email office@olspck.org