## **Aquinas Diocesan Grammar School**

Annual Christmas Carol Service in Church of the Good Shepherd at 7.00pm Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> December

All welcome.

#### Inspiring Christmas Gifts PIONEER GOODS

Including Calendars, Christmas cards,
Diaries are available.
For details please contact;
Pat 9262 9959; Ian 9061 6601;
Roisin 9064 6957; Josephine 9061 7116.
Your used stamps are welcome for the Missions; box on table in front porch.
Thank You.



# St. Anne's Primary School and Nursery Unit – Enrolment in Nursery Unit and Primary 1 for September 2019.

#### Nursery

Children born on or between 02/07/15 and 01/07/16 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 procedure opens on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> January 2019, with online portal available at 10am. Application portal closes at 12 midnight on Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> January 2019.

Nursery Open Days - Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> December 2018, 2.30 – 3.30pm Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> January 2019, 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 02/07/14 and 01/07/15 must begin their Primary education in September 2019. Listed below are the dates for the Primary 1 Open Days. Application procedure opens on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> January 2019, with online portal available at 10am. Application portal closes at 12 midnight on Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> January 2019.

Primary 1 Open Days - Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> December 2018, 1.00 – 2.00pm
Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2019, 1.00 – 2.00pm (Tour begins at 1.00pm, Principal's address at 1.45pm, Please park in the church car park

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#### Finding it difficult to hear in church?

We have an Induction Loop System in St Anne's. Simply switch your hearing aid to the 'T' or 'MT' position

# Your Giving – Weekly Offering £2573.93

Thank You for your continued generosity. 2<sup>nd</sup> Envelope today - Monthly Offering for the support of priests





# St. Anne's Parish

Pastoral Community of Derriaghy & Colin

Fr. Peter O'Hare, PP Rev Patrick McNeill, Deacon Sr. Mary Murray, Parish Sister

Parish Centre: 07745169205 Email: stannes@downandconnor.org



# 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent - 9<sup>th</sup> December 2018

Sunday Eucharist: 6.30pm Vigil, 10am & 12 Noon.

Masses this week: Tue, Wed & Sat 10am

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:** 

Sat 10.30am

& 5.30pm - 6.15 pm

**Adoration** Wed & Thurs 10.30am – 9pm

Sat 10.30am - 12 noon

Morning Prayer Mon & Thurs 10am

**Marriage:** Please contact Fr Peter - 6 months' notice required **Baptism:** One month's notice required – Call the Parish Office

What's on ......

Sun 9<sup>th</sup> Dec. St Anne's Conference of S.V.D. P.

Annual Christmas Lunch in the Beechlawn Hotel 1pm

**Mon 3<sup>rd</sup> Dec** - Parish Advent Liturgy - 7.30pm

Sunday 16th Penitential Service – Our Lady Queen of Peace 2.30pm

Monday 17th Parish Penitential Service 7.30pm



Parish Weekly Bulletin – As you can see we are in the process of revamping our bulletin....and you may have some ideas/suggestions or skills that may help us with this journey? Please give us a call on 028 90610112, we would love to hear from you!

#### **Carols by Candlelight**

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#### St Peter's Cathedral Schola Cantorum - Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> December 4.30pm

The Schola are joined this year by special guests, the Winchester College Quiristers, and the evening is sure to be a very special treat for fans of Choral music. *Entry free*, collection in aid of the continued work of the Schola - Festive refreshments served in the parish hall after the service.

#### St Polycarp's Church

Festival of Nine Lessons & Carols - Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> December at 7.00 pm

#### Society of St Vincent De Paul St Anne's Conference

The members of St Anne's Conference wish to thank all those who have given such generous support to the Society throughout the year, with cash, furniture etc. We would like also to thank you on behalf of the many people who have benefited from your generosity and who cannot thank you themselves.

Financial Report for year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2017 available to view on notice board in church porch

#### The Spirit of Christmas

Concert, Saturday 15th December, 7.30pm, Good Shepherd showcasing Marion Jordan accompanied by several performers including the Arco String Quartet, renowned local Tenor Greg Davidson and the Saint Michael's Parent and Children's choirs. Post concert, the recently opened parish centre will host a small craft fair and guests can avail of mulled wine and nibbles.

Tickets £15 are available from <a href="www.marionjordan.com">www.marionjordan.com</a> and also available at venue. The 'Spirit of Christmas' EP and Marion's debut album 'The Prayer' will be available to purchase on the night. Proceeds to: St.Michael's PTA and PIPS charity.

#### Extracts from letter from Fr. Feargal Mc Grady

"May I express my deep gratitude for the Presentation yesterday evening, marking my leaving of St. Anne's Parish after eight years. I have a great sense of thanksgiving and am deeply humbled by the generosity of the parishioners. I will never forget it. As the dust settles down I realise how much I miss you all. I bring with me great memories. Once again sincere and heartfelt thanks for everything.

Beanachtai is buiochas."

#### The Live Crib

Visit the Live Christmas Crib at St Mary's Grotto, opening Thursday, 13 December 2018 until Sunday, 6 January 2019.

Come along and meet Mary and Joseph, Shepherds and the Three wise men. This year animals are kindly provided by the Irish Donkey association and there will be a baby donkey in the crib this year. Carol singers daily at 2 pm. and 5 pm. Proceeds to the Mill Hill Missionaries working in Sudan.

# Advent - "Making Space For The Word Made Flesh" Come and join us for our Advent Liturgy this Monday 10<sup>th</sup> December 7.30pm



'Do not let the downtrodden retreat in confusion, give the poor and needy <u>cause</u> to praise your name.' Psalms 74:21.

Millions of people have had to flee conflict in South Sudan and Yemen. In one area alone in northern Uganda 33,000 mainly women and children from South Sudan have taken refuge. They have witnessed and experienced the worst kind



of violence and have arrived traumatised and broken. Trocaire's Christmas Appeal will help these people and many others rebuild their lives. Visit <a href="https://www.trocaire.org">www.trocaire.org</a> to find out more.

## One World Group – after ALL Masses This Weekend

Traidcraft – Christmas Goods, Secondhand Bookstall – Trocaire Gifts (Nov & Dec ) £1667.00 – Traidcraft Sales £726.58 – Christmas Hamper Ballot £552.15 – Donations and Handmade cards £78.61 Second-hand books £75.00 Ballot Results: 1st Prize Deacon Pat McNeill, 2nd Prize Kathleen Long ... 3rd Prize Deacon Pat McNeill, 4th Prize. A big thank you to everyone for their very generous support. Wishing you all a very happy and peaceful Christmas and New year.

Next stall February 2019

**First Reading;** God's triumph over sin and death, a triumph in which Mary plays a central role, is promised in the opening pages of the Bible.

Psalm 97; Sing a new song to the Lord for he has worked wonders -

**Second Reading;** 'Blessed be God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.' St Paul's entire mission is that all people might come to live this message of praise.

**Gospel:** This Gospel can be given the title, 'The Great Yes.' Mary says her 'yes' to God's plan, and the result is indeed very great.

#### **We Remember Them**

**Recently deceased**; Fr Christopher Nellis, Norah Quinn, Malachy Eastwood, Jeremiah Bernard Sheehan, Dolores Murphy, (Funeral Tuesday 10am)

Months mind:

**Anniversaries**: Patrick Hanna, Patricia Boyle, Bridget, John & Ellen Browne, Stella Anderton

May they rest in peace. Amen.



# 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.