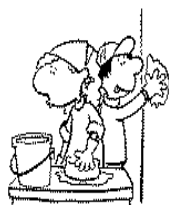


Altar Society: Team B this week.

Would you have 1 to 1 1/2 hours to spare once a month to help the small group of dedicated parishioners, male and female, who keep our church so well? We would love to hear from you, please contact the parish office or leave your name and contact number in the sacristy.



St. Anne's Parish

Pastoral Community of Derriaghy & Colin

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

Parish Office: 028 9061 0112
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YOUTH WEEKEND 1st/3rd FEBRUARY PARISH OF THE BRAID:

Koinonia John the Baptist have organised a weekend for 11-18 year olds (residential option available for 13-17s), jam-packed with games, group activities and time with the Lord and each other. It's a safe place for you to ask burning questions about God, and an event full of faith, fun and friendship with young people from across the Diocese. It can also count towards your Pope John Paul II Award. Interested? Contact:

Br. Darren: darren@koinonia.ie/07752 154369, or for more info/book a place visit <https://koinoniayouthweekend2019.eventbrite.co.uk>. Full weekend costs £35. Places are limited so register ASAP.

Living Youth/Habitat for Humanity N.I. Ethiopia Team: 8th – 18th July (*Dates may change slightly, depending on flight availability)

Be part of this exciting ongoing partnership between Living Youth and Habitat's Global Village programme in Ethiopia! Global Village is the name given to Habitat for Humanity's international volunteering programme. Its aims are to raise homes, funds and awareness about the need for decent housing and water sanitation. The programme is a unique, short-term opportunity where you will join a team which has the privilege of working alongside families in need.

Personal Donation £500; Personal Fundraising Target £1700

Closing Date for Applications: Thursday 31st January 2019

Register at: www.habitatni.co.uk – click on 'Join Us', 'Volunteer Globally' and select Living Youth or further information from: kieraoneill@livingyouthni.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.

NURSES WANTED! The **Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes** is seeking volunteers to join our nursing team to care for our pilgrims who will stay at the Accueil Notre Dame, during our 2019 Pilgrimage (10-15 July.) You will need to be a registered nurse, active on the NMC live register. To register your interest contact maillourdes@downandconnor.org and we will get back to you: maillourdes@downandconnor.org with your contact details.

"NEW" ALL SAINTS COLLEGE OPEN NIGHT

Current Primary 7 pupils and their parents are invited to attend Open Night for newly formed All Saints College in the current CBS Glen Road site on Thursday 24th January 2019 at 7pm.



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

Masses this week:

Mon. 7.30pm, Tues to Sat. 10am

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Sat: 10.30am & 6pm

Adoration: Wed & Thurs 10.30am – 9pm, Sat 10.30am – 12pm

Morning Prayer Mon & Thurs 10am

This week in St Anne's

Church Unity Service – today Sunday 20th Jan at 6.30pm in St Colman's, Church of Ireland, Dunmurry - Pope Francis continues to urge us to pray together! Please support this local service of worship. The Annual Service for the Octave of Prayer for Christian Unity will be held at 7pm on Tues 22nd Jan in St Peter's Cathedral. The preacher will be Bishop Ken Good, Church of Ireland Bishop of Derry & Raphoe. Everyone is welcome.

Liturgy Team Meeting – Tues. 22nd Jan. at 7pm.

Service of Light: Thurs 24th Jan 7.30pm for P7 children and parents in preparation for Confirmation.

Your Giving: Weekly Offering £2828.31 Thank You
2nd Envelope this weekend - Living Youth

We Remember Them

Recently Deceased: Betty Cummings and Jilly Kirby.

Anniversaries: Patricia (Paddy) Conroy, Fiona Murray, Thomas Hargy, Carmel O'Hagan Coughlan, Bridget McDonagh, Edward & Elizabeth McCrudden. **May they rest in peace.**



St. Brigid's Day Lecture 2019

Bishop Alan McGuckian, "Discerning disciples: Pope Francis on Prayer" in St. Brigid's Parish Centre, 38 Derryvolgie Avenue, Belfast, on Thursday, 31st Jan at 7.30pm. Everyone is welcome.

Overseas Volunteering Training Course - Open To All!

This enjoyable course, run over 4 weekends from February to May, is for anybody who is interested in overseas or home volunteering at some stage or who just wants to learn more about global injustice issues and how we fit in. Training covers Community Development, Health, Global Awareness, Mission, etc. and begins on 9-10 February 2019 in Dublin. Contact Viatores Christi +353-1-8689986 or email apply@viatoreschristi.com for more info.

DIOCESAN VOCATION WEEKEND

"Ask Jesus what he wants from you and be brave!" (Pope Francis) Why not take time to explore and reflect on becoming a priest. Join us at the Vocations Weekend in Drumalis Retreat Centre, Larne from Friday 15 - Sunday 17 February 2019. If you wish to attend this weekend or would like further information contact: Fr. Kevin Tel: 02890614567; Email: vocations@downandconnor.org

Celebrating 50 years of Teaching Irish Dancing - A Ceili Mor

will be held in St. Anne's Parish Centre, Kingsway, Dunmurry on St. Brigid's Day, Friday 1st February 8pm-12 to mark this very special occasion for Maire (Nee Pollock) Ui Bhruadair. At her request, all proceeds will go to St. Bernadette's Children's Centre in Lima, Peru. Trasna, who worked so often with her, will provide the music. Admission £10 (Inc. light supper)

Responsorial Psalm 95 - Proclaim the wonders of the Lord among all the peoples

On Sale today: St Paul's Sunday Missal 2019 £5
Diocesan Directory 2019 £5

The Word of God - 'The First of His Signs'

This is a familiar story, rich in symbolism. It is the first 'sign' recorded in John's Gospel. These 'signs' in John's Gospel are miracle stories but John prefers to use the term 'sign,' as they point to something far more than just the miracle itself. John used these signs to encourage belief in his readers but they are also an invitation for us to understand something more of how God operates in our lives.



Jesus transforms the water which would be used for the Jewish purification rite. He takes something used to give life to people, and transforms it into something which brings joy, celebration and new life to the party. There are many messages we can take from this account: the ability of God to transform our lives, to transform that which is dead and stale. The abundance of wine (approx. 700 litres!) is a significant reminder of the abundance of God's love for us, beyond our comprehension.

We could also focus on the role of Mary in this Gospel - she is the one who notices, she is attentive to the needs of those around her and brings this concern to Jesus. We might pray today that we too may be able to notice, to see, to intervene when we are faced with situations that need attention. This may be a situation of injustice or it may be a situation where something in our own lives or in our church has become dead and stale and is in desperate need of new wine. Jane Mellett

VACANCY - Part-time Housekeeper, Christ the Redeemer

A part time vacancy at 81 Laurel Grove, Belfast BT17 0TD. Requirements; confidential, efficient housekeeping - 12 hours per week - flexibility required, attendance and work pattern to be agreed. Rate of pay £8.50 gross per hour. *Application form can be downloaded from the Diocesan website at <http://www.downandconnor.org/press-office>, click on the link for JOB VACANCIES, Application packs can also be obtained from Christ the Redeemer Parish Office.* Closing date 12noon on Friday 25th January 2019. Down and Connor Diocesan Trust is an Equal Opportunities Employer

Widowed, Separated and Divorced: Beginning Experience, a support group for widowed, separated and divorced people. Weekly meeting and Information Session: Wednesday 30th January at 8pm St Bride's Hall, Derryvolgie Ave., All welcome. Residential weekend at Drumalis 22/24th February. For details please contact Phil Tel: 028 90 207645 or Marie Tel: 07896119669.