**Bereavement Support Group** – Have you suffered the pain of Bereavement? If you wish to talk in confidence – please call the parish office on 90610112 and a member of the Group will contact you.

#### Living Youth – Local Summer Pilgrimages 2019

**Summer Madness** – join with over 2,000 other young people, from all religious backgrounds, across the island of Ireland to celebrate, connect and explore your faith. This 5-day camping experience at Glenarm Castle is on from 28th June – 2nd July 2019, Cost: £120, Age: 15 – 18. **Camino Through the Mournes** – join with other young adults to spend time together in a faith environment, all through the medium of outdoor activities such as hikes, walks and outdoor adventures. Stay in Newcastle Co Down from 6th – 9th August 2019, Cost: £125, Age: 18 – 25. For more information and to apply go to www.livingyouthni.org or follow Living Youth on Social Media.

#### Strictly Come Dancing' in aid of the Lourdes Pilgrimage.

Join us for a superb evening of fun and entertainment in Carryduff Parish Centre on the **15th March 2019 at 7.30pm**. Ticket: £15 for Adults, £7.50 for children. Can be ordered through the Carryduff Parish Office 028 9081 2238 or drumbo@downandconnor.org

**Sale of Graves**: The Parish of Glenavy and Killead have a limited number of Burial Rights available in the graveyard of St Joseph's Church, Chapel Road, Glenavy. This is a secluded and well tended parish graveyard in the countryside just outside Glenavy village, 20 minutes west of the city

The burial ground is described as a 'Graveyard' as opposed to a 'Cemetery' since it is attached to St Joseph's Church. The cost of the burial right will be similar to that of Milltown Cemetery and reflects that purchasers are not, or are not expected to become contributing members of the local parish community. Each grave will accommodate up to three interments and are priced at £3,000. Applications forms are available from the Parish Office tel. 94422278 Mon-Fri 10.00am - 3.00pm.

#### **Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes**

7 nights  $(9-16 July) \pm 725$ , 5 nights  $(10-15 July) \pm 650$ , for pilgrims needing care 5 nights  $(10-15 July) \pm 550$ , Youth Team 7-16 July  $\pm 590 -$ 

Applications forms available form parish office or contact Pilgrimage Office 028 90770162 or email: Lourdes@downandconnor.org

inclusive of return transfers, full board and insurance. All flights from Belfast

**Trócaire Boxes**: Please pick up your box in the porch this weekend, and help Trócaire "to stand against injustice, to help lives shattered by conflict and trauma". Your love can conquer fear for families worldwide!

## Please note .....

We have switched our email to the Diocesan email address – **<u>stannes@downandconnor.org</u>** Please use this email address to contact the parish office. Thank You.



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

www.saintannesparish.net

Parish Centre: 07745169205

Email: stannes@downandconnor.org



10<sup>th</sup> March 2019 Year C First Sunday of Lent

Sunday Eucharist - 6.30pm Vigil,

10am & 12noon

Masses this week

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

## What's happening? ......

# Monday 7.30pm - The Way of The Cross

## **BELOVED DISCIPLES**

"Spirituality for the Autumn of Life" - An inspiring four-week DVD course facilitated by Deacon Pat McNeill. The first session will commence immediately after morning Mass on: **Thursday14th March** in the Upper Room of the Parish Centre All welcome. Your Giving: Weekly Offering: £2567.86 Thank You Monthly Offering for Priests £1558.10 2<sup>nd</sup> Envelope next weekend for Needy Parishes.

## Altar Society: Team D this week

#### We Remember Them

Recently Deceased: Clare McLaughlin, Peggy Coulson, Anne Ward, Joseph Whinnery

Anniversaries: Vera Marshall, Niall Holmes, Annie & Jimmy Catney, Dermot McPhillips, Joe Small, William Maynes, Michael Fitzpatrick, Charlie O'Neill, Billy Roberts.

New Mass Times in St. Anne's, effective from 23<sup>rd</sup> /24<sup>th</sup> March "Coming Together As One Family" ~

Saturday Vigil Mass - 5.00pm & Sunday - 11am

Pastoral Following on from the announcements over the last few Communities weeks, new Mass times are now on our parish website.

One World Group - Traidcraft & Second-hand Bookstall receipts for last weekend.



Traidcraft Sales: £243.68, Second-hand books: £50, Donations & Home- made items: £64.49 Sincere thanks.

**Responsorial Psalm: 90** Be with me O Lord in my distress -

## SAFEGUARDING TRAINING

Anyone who has yet to avail of Safeguarding Training can now apply for a place on line. A calendar of training dates for the rest of this year and application forms are now available on the Parish website.

When you apply for a training place would you please leave a message with the Parish Office to say that you have done so?

Thank you. The Parish Safequarding Committee

## Comhaltas Uladh – Bailúichán na Teanga

Our Annual collection to support the development of the Irish language will take place outside the Church after all masses on St Patrick's Day. Thank you all for your customary generosity. Go Raibh Maith Agaibh Arís.

## 'Healing in Bereavement'.

This programme will be held in Our Lady Queen of Peace Parish (Conference Room) beginning Tuesday 12th March 7.30pm - 9.pm and running for five consecutive Tuesdays. The programme is open to those bereaved or suffering loss of any kind and does not have to be a recent bereavement, there is no time limit. Anyone who is interested call Queen of Peace parish office 90616300, or come along on the night.

# The Word of God

Into the Wilderness

Lent is a great season where we are called to fasting, almsgiving and prayer. While our motivations may vary from weight loss to genuine spiritual journeying, this is a season where we take time to stop and take stock of our lives. What's there? What's there that shouldn't be there? Are there things in my life that I need to change, to move around, to let go of? Are there obstacles in the way of my relationship with Jesus and with the world around me?

Given the extent of the climate crisis that the world now finds itself in, and Ireland's dismal record on climate action, Lent would be an excellent time for each of us to examine our relationship with the earth in the hope that we might recognise the interconnectedness of all things. We might fast from our cars when we can, or look at how much food, clothes and energy we consume. How are our recycling habits? You might pledge to read Laudato Si, Pope Francis' encyclical on the environment, during Lent, and perhaps to ask a few friends to join you.

Whatever you decide to do, embrace this very special time. In the Gospel we are given encouragement as we read that Jesus is being led by the Spirit into the wilderness. The wilderness is not a place to be feared: it can be a place of transformation; a place where God is ultimately in control. We might encounter our demons and temptations there, but that is part of the journey. As with all things, we will get out of Lent what we put in. The more we put in, the greater the celebration on Easter Sunday morning.

# SHALOM RETREAT - FRIDAY 5<sup>TH</sup> TO SUNDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> APRIL

Drumalis Retreat Centre, Larne. Be a part of this exciting weekend where you will rekindle your identity in Christ! Prayer, praise, reconciliation, Mass and encouragement for the journey ahead. A retreat that will shine the light of Christ into your heart and lead you to forgiveness, freedom and healing. Book now £150 per person. Full board with coffee/tea breaks. Register at www.shalommedia.org/retreat or contact Roshni George T:07737430680 or Jacinta T:07756225114

## "The Future of Conscience in an Age of Intolerance"

Speakers include Nuala O'Loan (DBE), Dr Helen Watt (Anscombe Bioethics Centre Oxford) Benedict Ó'Floinn SC, and David Smyth (Evangelical Alliance). Wellington Park Hotel, Malone Road, Sat, 30 March 10am-1.30pm £10 adults, £5 students (includes tea, coffee & scone. To book a place or further info: ionainstitute@gmail.com or telephone 02892646861. All welcome.

