



# St. Anne's Parish

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First Sunday of Advent

**Sunday Eucharist** - 5pm Vigil & 11am

**Masses this week:** Tue & Thurs 10am, Wed 6.30pm

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

**Morning Prayer:** Mon & Thurs 10am

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:** Sat 4.30pm



## Gathering Hymn

O come, O come, Emmanuel  
And ransom captive Israel  
That mourns in lonely exile here  
Until the Son of God appear

Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel  
Shall come to thee, O Israel

O come, Thou Rod of Jesse, free  
Thine own from Satan's tyranny  
From depths of hell Thy people save  
And give them victory o'er the grave

O come, Thou Dayspring,  
come and cheer  
Our spirits by Thine advent here  
Disperse the gloomy clouds of night  
And death's dark shadows put to flight

Maranatha! – Come Lord Jesus

## Recessional Hymn

Like a sea without a shore  
love divine is boundless.  
Time is now and evermore  
and His love surrounds us.

Maranatha! Maranatha!  
Maranatha Come, Lord Jesus, come!

So that we could all be free  
He appeared among us,  
blest are those who have not seen,  
yet believe His promise.

All our visions, all our dreams,  
are but ghostly shadows  
of the radiant clarity  
waiting at life's close..



**Recently Deceased:** Joe Raffo, Marie Magee. **Month's Mind:** Pat Bleakley.  
**Anniversaries:** Nora Quinn, Claire Mooney, Mary Murphy, Winnie Wilkinson.

**Your Giving:** Weekly Collection: £1,733.69. Church Renovation Fund £994.79  
2<sup>nd</sup> Collection today (Pink envelope) - Monthly Offering for priests.

**Our Parish Advent Family Jesse Tree:** Place your family name on our tree and when Christmas arrives we will then know where to find the Word made Flesh! Pick up a leaf for the tree as you leave today and write/colour in the leaf for placing on our tree.

**Dunmurry Churches Together:** Advent Service tonight Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> December at 7pm in Our Lady Queen of Peace. Everyone is very welcome.

**Towards Bethlehem: An Advent Journey with Mary and Joseph**  
Join us for the first of our parish Advent liturgies this Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> December at 7.30pm. Take time out and be still for the journey ahead.

**Parish Office:** Closed this Wed 4<sup>th</sup> & Fri 6<sup>th</sup> December.  
**St. Vincent de Paul:** The Annual Christmas Appeal will take place next weekend. The annual Christmas lunch will take place in the Beechlawn Hotel on Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> Dec at 1pm. Please leave your name and telephone number with a conference member today.

**Trocaire Gifts of Love:** When you buy a Trócaire Gift of Love, you're not just giving. You're joining the fight for justice. Buy a Trócaire Gift of Love and send some love around the world this Christmas. Visit [www.trocaire.org](http://www.trocaire.org)

**One World Group:** Next Weekend 7/8<sup>th</sup> of Dec after mass. Fairly traded crafts and goods, second-hand books and Trocaire Global gifts on sale in the Parish Centre. Come along and give us your support.

**Donation for Flowers at Christmas:** Parishioners are invited to make a donation towards the purchase of flowers for the decoration of our church.

**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.

**St. Anne's PS and Nursery Unit – Enrolment for September 2020.**  
Nursery Open Days - Wed 11<sup>th</sup> Dec 2.30 – 3.30pm, Tues 14<sup>th</sup> Jan 2.30 – 3.30pm (Principal's address at 2.45pm. Primary 1 Open Days - Thurs 12<sup>th</sup> Dec. 1 – 2pm. Wed 15<sup>th</sup> Jan 1 – 2pm. (Tour begins at 1.00pm, Principal's address at 1.45pm.) Please park in the church car park and proceed to the Main School Office, Block D.

'Are you looking forward to Christmas?' I asked for the sake of conversation. 'Looking forward... looking forward... looking forward' she replied with increasing decibels each time [...] 'I'm burnt out on the whole thing without ever having been on fire about it ... if you don't take hold of the real message for yourself then others will make sure that what they want the season to be will grab you and never let go.'

Alan Hillard