

# St. Anne's Parish

Pastoral Community of Derriaghy & Colin

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28th June 2020

13th Sunday of the Year



All our masses are celebrated in **private** by Fr. Peter and uploaded onto our parish

YouTube channel: St. Anne's Dunmurry.

When you go to YouTube ...... please subscribe...... to receive notifications of uploaded material. Subscription is free!

Mass will be celebrated for the intentions of all our parishioners. If you have a particular anniversary that you wish to have celebrated then please email/contact Fr. Peter with the details.

St. Anne's Mass: Sunday 11am.

P.S. No weekday masses this week

 You can find resources for your use at home on our parish website <u>www.saintannesparish.net</u> or the diocesan website - www.downandconnor.org

## We Remember them

**Recently Deceased**: Bobby McKee, Maureen Hart, Felix Burns, Fiona Wilson.

<u>Parish WhatsApp Group</u> – Keep up to date with what is happening in our parish community .....text your name and number to 07714691281 to be added to our WhatsApp group.



## Our Church is open for Private Prayer

#### **Opening Times**

#### Tues, Wed and Thurs 2pm to 4pm

As advised by the Irish Episcopal Conference Framework Document (9<sup>th</sup> June 2020), we have recently established within the parish a **Covid-19 Support Team** and it has been meeting during the past week to prepare for the re-opening of our church for public worship. I am very grateful to those who have offered their services in this important parish ministry.

As you all know the NI Executive confirmed on Thursday last that Churches may re-open for worship as of Monday 29<sup>th</sup> June 2020 carefully observing health and safety regulations, guidelines and risk management including social distancing. Understandably it will take time for our parish to put these arrangements in place. I would ask for your continued patience as we move towards the safe celebration of public mass.

The current circumstances do not permit for *any* return to "normal practice" at this time. We have an obligation to ensure the safety and wellbeing of all our parishioners and visitors. The advice, guidance and measures put in place are to mitigate against the transmission of the virus which is still present in the community and will continue to be so for some time to come. This justifies and necessitates the significant restrictions to the liturgical life of our parish community.

The NI Executive has indicated that further advice relating to FUNERALS and WEDDINGS will be issued on Monday 29<sup>th</sup> June – until this advice is received and regulations changed the current restrictions relating to weddings and funerals remain in place.

We will continue to bring you the latest developments through our website bulletin and our parish WhatsApp group.

## **Readings**

**The First Reading 2 Kings 4:8-11,13-16**. Elisha, God's spokesman, is shown hospitality. This act of kindness towards someone going about God's business has lifechanging consequences for Shunem, the woman who extended the hospitality.

**The Second Reading Rom 6:3-4,8-11**. St Paul closely links baptism with death. Baptism is, of course, the entrance into a new way of living, but that way of living entails dying to sin. To be baptized is to be called to a life-long dying to all that is not of Christ.

**The Gospel Mt 10:37-42**. Jesus demands very real sacrifices of those who wish to follow him. At the same time, he promises eternal life to those who do even small things with great love.

**Bereavement Support Group**: Have you suffered the pain of loss and bereavement? Talk in confidence – call 90610112 and a member of the Group will contact you.

#### Seeing your Life through the Lens of the Gospel: Mt: 10:37-42

- **1.** Jesus never wanted suffering for anyone but he knew that if anyone was going to follow in his footsteps, promoting love and respect for every person, they would meet with opposition. Fidelity has its price, but also its rewards. Would you agree?
- **2**. The passage is a call to both radical and practical discipleship. When have you found that in order to achieve a certain objective you had to make it a priority, and then take the practical steps necessary to reach your goal? What were the benefits to you when you did this?
- **3.** 'Hate' is prophetic exaggeration for the uncompromising loyalty Jesus seeks in disciples. There may be times when people make demands in conflict with fidelity to another relationship. This can be painful. When have you found that being clear about your priorities helped you in that situation?

John Byrne OSA

## Your Giving

This w/end - Weekly Offering & Peters Pence



• You may wish to set up a **Standing Order** and if so, call the parish office on 028 90610112 and leave your details or email us on <a href="mailto:stannes@downandconnor.org">stannes@downandconnor.org</a>

#### OR

• Donate online to St. Annes Parish

A/C No. 07707787 Sort Code 93 83 00

#### OR

• **Envelopes**- Parishioners can use their weekly envelopes, the new set are available for collection in the porch of the church during opening hours. When Government policy allows us, we will look at measures to safely collect them.

Your continued helpful generosity would be very much appreciated. Thank you in anticipation

#### OR

• Use the "Donate" button on our home page of this website.

#### Please......I need a little help!

Do you need a helping hand...at this difficult time? Do you need some medicine picked up from the chemist? Do you require some food items to be delivered to you? Would you like someone to take the dog out for a walk? Or would you just like someone to have a wee chat with? Then please don't hesitate or be afraid to call us on 02890 610112 or send an email to stannes@downandconr

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### **SUPPORT POPE FRANCIS' COVID-19 EMERGENCY FUND**

Your help is urgently needed to help overseas missionaries and vulnerable communities to defend themselves against COVID-19. In Africa, Asia and Latin America the Church is often on the frontline. In remote, inaccessible areas, it is missionaries who respond, as best they can, to the medical and pastoral needs of suffering men, women and children.

Missionaries already face too many challenges; working in over-crowded communities with no running water. In shantytowns and refugee camps where social distancing is simply impossible, and where self-isolation could mean starvation.

To help protect these fragile communities, Pope Francis has announced the COVID-19 Emergency Fund. If you can, please give so that our less-fortunate brothers and sisters have a fighting chance at suppressing COVID-19.

Donate by going online <a href="www.wmi.ie/covid-fund">www.wmi.ie/covid-fund</a> or call Fiona on 00 353 1 497 2035.

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