

St. Anne's Parish

Pastoral Community of Derriaghy & Colin

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9th August 2020

19th Sunday of the Year

<u>W/end Masses</u>: Sunday 5pm Vigil & 11am <u>Masses this week</u>: Tues, Wed, Thurs & Sat 10am

We Remember them

Recently Deceased: Nuala Burke (Funeral Tues 10am),

John Hume, Joseph Crawford.

Month's Mind: Daniel Carbery (Sat 8th Aug 5pm),

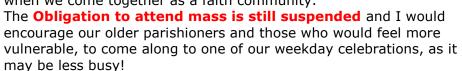
John McGurran (Sat 15th Aug 10am).

Anniversary: Bridie Watters, Stephen Delaney.

Our Church is open!!

Tues, Wed and Thurs 10am -12pm

Our church is open for public masses – this is possible because of our volunteer **stewards and cleaners** - people who can help us all to stay safe when we come together as a faith community.



Feast of the Assumption:

Saturday 15th August Mass at 10am

Moving out of Lockdown.....celebrating the Sacraments



<u>Baptisms</u>: We resumed baptisms this week, one at a time. Please email the parish office with your request for baptism and we will be in touch. Thank you for your patience at this difficult time.

<u>Weddings</u>: If you have had to re schedule a previously planned wedding, please email the parish office to update the arrangements.





First Confession & First Holy Communion

Following discussions with the St. Anne's PS staff at the end of August, we will be making arrangements for the celebration of these two important sacraments as soon as possible.

Readings

1 Kings 19:9.11-13. Elijah learns that when the Lord wants to communicate with us, he does so not by shouting but by whispering. Wind, fire and earthquake may draw our attention, but the Lord's voice is gentle. He does not impose himself.

Romans 9:1-5. St Paul dedicates a good section of his letter to the Romans to grappling with the relationship between Israel, the people of the Covenant, and the New Covenant of Christ. His final answer is not a solution, but a hymn to the wisdom of God.

Matthew 14:22-33 The Lord walks on water. This miracle is intended to point back to the passage of God's people through the sea as Moses led them out of captivity. Now, it is Jesus who leads us from the captivity of sin, and this happens by our passage through the water of baptism.

Tuesday Coffee/Tea Club: In October 2019 some parish ladies started a weekly Tuesday tea/coffee club after the 10am mass. The aim was to socially gather and form friendships. We were greatly helped by our Parish Centre Manager, Gerry. Due to the generosity of our parishioners, we collected £500 which was donated to the following charities:

- o The Soup Kitchen at St. Patrick's, Donegal St. £300
- o St. Bernadette's Children's Project, Lima, Peru. £100
- o St. Vincent de Paul, St. Anne's Parish. £100

Sadly at the moment we are unable to meet because of Covid-19, but it was terrific that we could help others while we were together. A big

Thank You to everyone for your generosity and help.

Your Giving

This w/end - Weekly Offering

 We would recommend that you set up a **Standing Order. C**all the parish office on 028 90610112 and leave your details or email us on <u>stannes@downandconnor.org</u>



OR Donate online to St. Annes Parish A/C No. 07707787 Sort Code 93 83 00

OR Envelopes – a collection box available at mass Your continued helpful generosity is much appreciated.

OR Use the "Donate" button on our home page

<u>Parish Office</u>: Opening Hours: 9am to 1pm Mon to Fri. <u>Parish WhatsApp Group</u> – Keep up to date with what is happening in our parish communitytext your name and number to 07714691281 to be added to our WhatsApp group.

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.



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

Do you need a helping hand...at this difficult time. Do you require some food items to be delivered to you? 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@downandconnor.org or use the contact form on the parish website.

Seeing your Life through the Lens of the Gospel: Mt: 14:22-33

- **1.** The story illustrates the power of faith. Have you noticed that when you believe in someone, or something, you can do things that would not be possible when you are full of doubts? Recall moments when your faith gave you strength and courage? Name for yourself the different kinds of faith that had this effect: belief in yourself, trust in another, faith in God.
- **2.** When Jesus got into the boat, the winds ceased. Who has been a Jesus-person for you, helping to calm a storm that frightened you or made you anxious?
- **3.** The experience of Peter gives encouragement to us when we waver in our trust and belief in God. In his doubt and fear, Jesus reached out to him. Who has reached out a helping hand to you when you felt you were sinking?
- **4.** The story ends with a profession of faith in Jesus as the Son of God. Have you had experiences of being rescued from some hazard or danger, experiences which deepened your faith in the presence and compassion of God?

 John Byrne OSA



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• <u>3-Minute Retreats</u> invite you to take a short prayer break right at your computer. Spend some quiet time reflecting on a Scripture passage.

Knowing that not everyone prays at the same pace, you have control over the pace of the retreat. After each screen, a Continue button will appear. Click it when you are ready to move on. If you are new to online prayer, the basic timing of the screens will guide you through the experience.

On the Assumption of Mary into Heaven

The feast of the Assumption of Mary is a call to each of us, especially those who are afflicted by doubt and sadness, and live with their gaze turned down, unable to raise their glance. Let us look up. Heaven is open. It does not inculcate fear. It is no longer distant because on the threshold of Heaven, a mother, our mother, is awaiting us. She loves us, she smiles at us and she thoughtfully assists us. Like every mother she wants the best for her children and she says to us: 'You are precious in God's eyes; you were not made for the small satisfactions of the world, but rather for the great joy of heaven'. Yes, because God is joy, not boredom. God is joy. Let us allow Our Lady to take us by the hand. Each time that we hold the Rosary in our hands and pray to her, we are taking a step forward, towards the great destination of life.

Pope Francis, Feast of the Assumption, 2019

Sacred Space app

The Sacred Space daily prayer is available on <u>Apple/iOS</u> and <u>Android/Google Play</u> devices - you can click on the links to install the app on your device. The site is also responsive and accessible on handheld devices.

https://itunes.apple.com/us/app/sacred-space-daily-prayer/id1050192048?ls=1&mt=8

https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.gmail .techadmin.SSapp

• Pray As You Go

- This is a daily prayer session, designed to go with you wherever you go, to help you pray whenever you find time, but particularly whilst travelling to and from work, study, etc.
- A new prayer session is produced every day of the week and one session for the weekend. It is not a 'Thought for the Day', a sermon or a bible-study, but rather a framework for your own prayer.
- Lasting between ten and thirteen minutes, it combines music, scripture and some questions for reflection.

Our aim is to help you to:

- become more aware of God's presence in your life
- listen to and reflect on God's word
- grow in your relationship with God

https://pray-as-you-go.org/

HOW TO RETURN YOUR TRÓCAIRE BOX DONATION

Simply count or estimate what is in your box and donate now in one of these four easy ways

- 1. Online at trocaire.org
- 2. Over the phone at 0800 912 1200
- 3. By post to Trócaire, King Street, Belfast

OR

You can drop off your box at the parish office from Monday -Friday - 9am to 1pm or bring it along to the church at mass time and hand it in at the sacristy!