



St. Anne's Parish

Pastoral Community of Derriaghy & Colin

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3rd SUNDAY of EASTER

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

This Week in St. Anne's

Sunday Mass: 5pm Vigil & 11am

Tues, Wed & Thurs 10am



Remember - All Masses/Services are streamed live online

Parish Office: Mon to Fri 9am to 1pm.

Parish WhatsApp Group – 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.

Recently Deceased: Rita Worger (Canada)
Anniversaries: John Dunne, Maureen Fitzsimons.

Your Giving This w/end - **Weekly Offering**

- We would recommend that you set up a **Standing Order**. Call the parish office on 028 90610112 and leave your details or email us on stannes@downandconnor.org

OR Donate Online to St. Anne's Parish

A/C No. 07707787
Sort Code 93 83 00

Your continued generosity is much appreciated.

Easter to Pentecost – Lectio Divina

We trust that you are enjoying this Easter season of hope and renewal. As promised at the end of our Lenten Lectio sessions, we are writing to invite you to join with us again for a time of Prayer and Reflection with the Sunday Gospels as we journey towards Pentecost. The programme which will be held live on Zoom is for 6 weeks and will take place on **Wednesdays at 7.30pm** for approximately one hour. If you would like to take part please contact the parish office on **stannes@downandconnor.org** to reserve your place. We look forward to having you join with us.

Database of Trade Backgrounds

The Property Office of the Diocese would like to compile and centralise a list of people with trade backgrounds within parishes that they could call upon in the event that any repairs / refurbishments / renovations and new builds are required. Any parishioners that would be interested in any future work, are asked to leave their details, giving their trade/expertise, with the Parish Office at stannes@downandconnor.org

St. Vincent de Paul

Anyone wishing to donate, can do so online:

Account Name: St. Vincent de Paul Conference of St. Anne
Account No. 65576181 **Sort Code:** 938300.

Christ is Risen! He is Risen indeed!

Coming soon.....

Confirmation: Tues to Fri - 27th to 30th April at 11.30am.

1st Penance P4: Tues to Fri – 11th to 14th May at 11.30am.

1st Penance P3: Tues to Fri – 25th to 28th May at 11.30am

1st Holy Communion: Tues to Fri – 15th to 18th June 10am.

P.S. These are the planned arrangements which may have to be changed in line with Covid-19 restrictions in place at the time.

FoodBank

Fr. Peter and the parish Foodbank team would like to thank you for your continued, generous support. The foodbank will resume accepting donations this week each day from 10am to 4pm. Thank you.



St. Anne's Covid Support Group

This time last year a new pastoral initiative began in the Parish with the aim of providing support for people for whom the isolation of lockdown may have led to emotional or practical difficulties. Many people were so generous in volunteering to become involved in this that it has proved to be a very valuable and important ministry. Phone contact between the volunteers and those who may have become isolated was established and for many it still continues. As we are still bound by many restrictions in our lives, in terms of our ability to directly interact with others, this form of contact and support is still open to anyone who would welcome it. If you or someone you know would like to be contacted please leave your name and phone number with the Parish Office. (028 90610112)

Seeing your Life through the Lens of the Gospel

1. When we are not expecting it to happen, even a good event can startle us. So it was with the disciples when Jesus appeared to them. He sought to calm them and helped them to see the good news behind what had initially alarmed them. Who has been a Jesus person for you by helping you to find meaning and good news in life?
2. Jesus helped the disciples to find new hope, but he did not give them easy answers. He asked them to see the facts before their eyes. He wanted them to learn from the lived experience they were having. As a parent, teacher, friend or guide, have you been a Jesus person to another, helping him/her to find hope and purpose in life by learning from his/her experiences? Who has done this for you?
3. Jesus opened their minds to 'understand the scriptures', and the effect was transformative. Perhaps there have been times when a new and deeper understanding of scripture has had a transformative impact on you. Recall the experience and give thanks for those who opened the scriptures for you.
4. The resurrection experience empowered the disciples to be witnesses. Unexpected possibilities for the future surfaced when it seemed that hope had gone. When have new possibilities opened for you after a 'resurrection' experience: recovery of health when it did not seem possible, new opportunities after failure or disappointment, inner healing after a deep hurt, etc?

John Byrne osa

Overseas Volunteers Training Course Sept 2021

Viatres Christi, a faith-based development organisation has specialised in the recruitment, training and deployment of overseas volunteers since 1960. VC runs an online volunteer preparation course covering Community Development, Health, Global Awareness, Mission, etc. This is open to all! Once completed, participants can be considered for volunteer roles through VC EU Aid Volunteers #EUAVI programmes. If you want to know more, click [here](#) or visit the News section of our website www.vcvolunteers.ie or email info@viatoreschristi.com

Scripture Themes

The signs that Jesus gives are to be understood by faith. So we see Peter preaching conversion as he has been told to do. Conversion is possible because Christ stands as our advocate before the Father.

FIRST READING

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles 3:13-15.17-19

Peter said to the people: 'You are Israelites, and it is the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, the God of our ancestors, who has glorified his servant Jesus, the same Jesus you handed over and then disowned in the presence of Pilate, after Pilate had decided to release him. It was you who accused the Holy One, the Just One, you who demanded the reprieve of a murderer while you killed the prince of life. God, however, raised him from the dead, and to that fact we are the witnesses. 'Now I know, brothers, that neither you nor your leaders had any idea what you were really doing; this was the way God carried out what he had foretold, when he said through all his prophets that his Christ would suffer. Now you must repent and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped out.'

Responsorial Psalm Ps 4

Response: *Lift up the light of your face on us, O Lord.*

1. When I call, answer me, O God of justice;
from anguish you released me, have mercy and hear me!
Response

2. It is the Lord who grants favours to those whom he loves;
the Lord hears me whenever I call him.
Response

3. 'What can bring us happiness?' many say.
Lift up the light of your face on us, O Lord. *Response*

5. I will lie down in peace and sleep comes at once,
for you alone, Lord, make me dwell in safety. *Response*

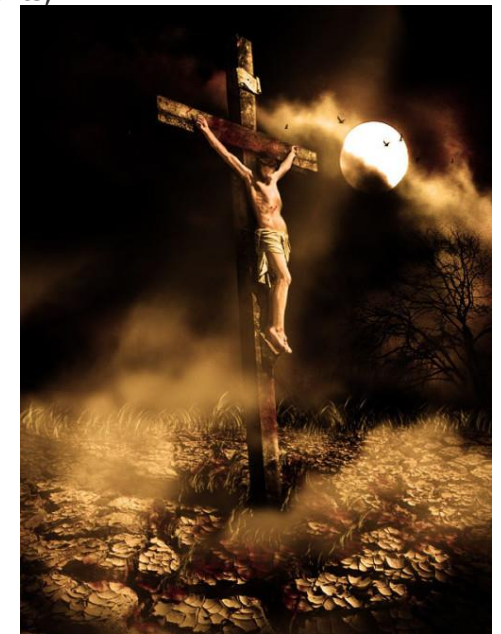
SECOND READING

A reading from the first letter of St John 2:1-5

I am writing this, my children,
to stop you sinning;
but if anyone should sin,
we have our advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ, who is just;
he is the sacrifice that takes our sins away, and not only ours,
but the whole world's.
We can be sure that we know God
only by keeping his commandments. Anyone who says, 'I know him',
and does not keep his commandments,
is a liar,
refusing to admit the truth.
But when anyone does obey what
he has said,
God's love comes to perfection in
him

Gospel Acclamation Lk 24:32

Alleluia, alleluia!
Lord Jesus, Explain the
scriptures to us.
Make our hearts burn
within us as you talk to us
Alleluia!



GOSPEL

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke *24:35-48*

The disciples told their story of what had happened on the road and how they had recognised Jesus at the breaking of bread.

They were still talking about this when Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, 'Peace be with you!' In a state of alarm and fright, they

thought they were seeing a ghost. But he said, 'Why are you so agitated, and why are these doubts rising in your hearts? Look at my hands and feet; yes, it is I indeed. Touch me and see for yourselves; a ghost has no flesh and bones as you can see I have.' And as he said this he showed them his hands and feet. Their joy was so great that they could not believe it, and they stood



dumbfounded; so he said to them, 'Have you anything here to eat?' And they offered him a piece of grilled fish, which he took and ate before their eyes.

Then he told them, 'This is what I meant when I said, while I was still with you, that everything written about me in the Law of Moses, in the Prophets and in the Psalms, has to be fulfilled.' He then opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, 'So you see how it is written that the Christ would suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, and that, in his name, repentance for the forgiveness of sins would be preached to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses to this.'

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