



# St. Anne's Parish

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## 19<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

### This Week in St. Anne's

Sunday Mass: 5pm Vigil & 11am

Weekday Mass: Wed & Thurs at 10am

Confessions: Sat 4.30pm or before any mass.

Remember -

All services are streamed live online



Parish Office: Mon to Fri 9am to 1pm.  
**Closed this Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> due to disruption of electricity supply.**

Parish WhatsApp Group – 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.

Recently Deceased: Chantal O'Leary (Killough)  
Anniversaries: Stephen Delaney, Bridie Watters.

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

- We would recommend that you set up a **Standing Order**. **You can download the necessary forms from our website...or** call the parish office on 028 90610112 and leave your details or email us on [stannes@downandconnor.org](mailto:stannes@downandconnor.org)

**OR** **Donate Online** to St. Anne's Parish

**A/C No. 07707787**  
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### 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.

### FoodBank

The Foodbank is accepting donations. As always, thank you for your continued generous support. The collection boxes are available outside the church every day from 10am to 4pm.

### Seeing your Life through the Lens of the Gospel

1. Faith is reasonable, but we cannot reason our way into faith. We have to be 'drawn by the Father'. We must be 'taught by God'. What opens your mind and heart to God's message?
2. When we label others disparagingly, we close our minds to what they are saying. The Jews did this to Jesus. Have you ever had the experience of being surprised by the wisdom of another when you laid aside your prejudices about her/him to listen to what s/he was saying?
3. 'No one has ever seen the Father except the one who is from God'. As Jesus put a human face on God and God's love, so God's love today is mediated to us through one another. How have other people been sacraments of God's love for you? For whom have you been that kind of a sacrament?
4. The way in which Jesus became a source of life for us was by giving himself. It is when we truly give ourselves that we can be life-giving to one another. If we do not give of ourselves, what do we have to offer? How have you discovered the importance of self-giving, in yourself or in others?

## Today's Liturgy of the Word

### Scripture themes

*The living bread come down from heaven is the flesh of Christ given up for the life of the world. The sacrifice of Christ on the Cross gives life. In the strength of the bread of the Eucharist we can make our pilgrim journey through life to the kingdom.*

### FIRST READING

A reading from the first Book of Kings 19:4-8

Elijah went into the wilderness, a day's journey, and sitting under a furze bush wished he were dead. 'Lord,' he said 'I have had enough. Take my life; I am no better than my ancestors.' Then he lay down and



went to sleep. But an angel touched him and said, 'Get up and eat.' He looked round, and there at his head was a scone baked on hot stones, and a jar of water. He ate and drank and then lay down again. But the angel of the Lord came back a second time and touched him and said, 'Get up and eat, or the journey will be too long for you.' So he got up and ate and drank, and strengthened by that food he walked for forty days and forty nights until he reached Horeb, the mountain of God.

### Responsorial Psalm Ps 33:2-9

#### Response: *Taste and see that the Lord is good.*

1. I will bless the Lord at all times,  
his praise always on my lips;  
in the Lord my soul shall make its boast.  
The humble shall hear and be glad. *Response*

2. Glorify the Lord with me.  
Together let us praise his name.  
I sought the Lord and he answered me;  
from all my terrors he set me free. *Response*

3. Look towards him and be radiant;  
let your faces not be abashed.  
This poor man called; the Lord heard him  
and rescued him from all his distress. *Response*

4. The angel of the Lord is encamped  
around those who revere him, to rescue them.  
Taste and see that the Lord is good.  
He is happy who seeks refuge in him. *Response*

### SECOND READING

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians 4:30 – 5:2



**Do not** grieve the Holy Spirit of God who has marked you with his seal for you to be set free when the day comes. Never have grudges against others, or lose your temper, or raise your voice to anybody, or call each other names, or allow any sort of spitefulness. Be friends with one another, and kind, forgiving each other as readily as God forgave you in Christ.

Try, then, to imitate God, as children of his that he loves, and follow Christ by loving as he loved you, giving himself up in our place as a fragrant offering and a sacrifice to God.

### Gospel Acclamation Jn 14: 23

Alleluia, alleluia!

If anyone loves me, he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him.

Alleluia!

### GOSPEL

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John 6:41-51

The Jews were complaining to each other about Jesus because he had said, 'I am the bread that came down from heaven.' 'Surely this is Jesus son of Joseph' they said. 'We know his father and mother. How can he now say, "I have come down from heaven"?'

Jesus said in reply,

*Stop complaining to each other.*

*'No one can come to me unless he is drawn by the Father who sent me, and I will raise him up at the last day.*

*It is written in the prophets:*

*They will all be taught by God,*

*and to hear the teaching of the Father, and learn from it, is to come to me.*

*Not that anybody has seen the Father, except the one who comes from God: he has seen the Father.*

*I tell you most solemnly,*

*everybody who believes has eternal life.*

*I am the bread of life.*

*Your fathers ate the manna in the desert and they are dead; but this is the bread that comes down from heaven,*

*so that a man may eat it and not die.*

*I am the living bread which has come down from heaven.*

*Anyone who eats this bread will live for ever; and the bread that I shall give is my flesh, for the life of the world.'*



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## Sharing the Good News

NEWSLETTER OF THE IRISH CATHOLIC BISHOPS' CONFERENCE

**"Westminster has imposed an unjust law"**  
- Northern Catholic Bishops oppose abortion services

The Northern Catholic Bishops have issued a response to the introduction of abortion services to Northern Ireland. Bishops described the decision last week by the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, Mr Brandon Lewis MP, to direct the Northern Executive and Department of Health to make abortion services available in Northern Ireland by 21 March 2022, as "gravely disquieting". Bishops emphasised that this is the latest in a line of decisions by the current Westminster Government which threatens the "fragile balance of relationship" at the heart of the Good Friday Agreement.

Bishops continued: "In unilaterally imposing this direction on the local Northern Ireland Assembly to provide abortion services, it is, as if the Westminster Government, and those local parties who have supported them, believe the answer to the issue of providing compassionate care for a woman and her unborn child in pregnancy can be framed simply and exclusively as a healthcare issue."

"Absent from the discussion however are the thousands of unborn children, who have no legal protection and whose humanity is excluded from the political equation. Westminster has imposed an unjust law. Christians, and all people of good will, can never stand silently by and fail to raise their voices at any attempt to ignore completely the fact that unborn children are human beings worthy of protection," bishops said. "You can read the bishops' statement in full on [www.catholicbishops.ie](http://www.catholicbishops.ie)

**Bishop Brendan Leahy pays tribute to Des O'Malley RIP**  
Bishop Brendan Leahy of Limerick has paid tribute to family man Des O'Malley following his death on 21 July, aged 92. Bishop Leahy said, "Limerick and Ireland have today lost a man and politician of immense courage and decency and a great family man into the bargain. He had a deep love for his late wife Pat, his children and grandchildren and it was clearly a shared love. So, for all that, he did in the political world, it's essential too as we pay tribute to him that we acknowledge just what family meant to him." See [www.catholicnews.ie](http://www.catholicnews.ie) for full statement.

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Additional information is available on [www.accord.ie](http://www.accord.ie).