



St. Anne's Parish

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28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

This Week in St. Anne's

Sunday Mass: 5pm Vigil & 11am

Weekday Mass: Tue, Wed & Thurs 10am

Confessions: Sat 4.30pm or before any mass.

Remember –
All 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: Michael Gallagher (Orpen Drive), Fred Adt (California), Patrick Miskelly.

Anniversaries: Chris Torney, Declan Duffy, Cathy Stewart.

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

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

OR **Donate Online** to St. Anne's Parish
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SYNOD: AN OPPORTUNITY TO SHARE YOUR EXPERIENCE

This weekend Pope Francis opens the pathway for a Universal Synod that will take place in Rome in 2023. This Synod will be a gathering that takes place after all the local Churches have shared their contribution on the experience of journeying together in Communion, Participation and Mission.

In our Diocese, of Down and Connor, we will have a time of listening and sharing prayerfully through Advent. During this time there will be an opportunity for you to share your experience of what it is like to be a part of our Church today.

Bishop Treanor will launch our Diocesan Phase of this Universal Synod on Saturday 16th October at 5:30pm at the Vigil Mass in St Peter's Cathedral. www.churchservices.tv/stpeterscathedral

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.

This Week in St. Anne's

Parish Covid-19 Support Team Meeting: We meet on Tuesday to review our current Risk assessment and the associated procedures for public worship etc.

Parish Finance Committee: Meeting this Tuesday to have our regular review of the parish financial situation and any future plans that need to be addressed.

Seeing your Life through the Lens of the Gospel

- 1.** We often get satisfaction from the things we own, clothes, cars, homes, gadgets, or money. There would be something unnatural if we did not. But what happens to us when our possessions begin to 'own' us, when they take a hold us, when we become obsessed with them? Jesus seeks followers who have the freedom to let go of possessions in order to be a servant of others. In whom have you seen this freedom? When have you experienced it yourself?
- 2.** Growth implies change. That change sometimes means letting go of something we have at this moment: job, status, home, security, or something else we value. There can be an apparent loss in letting go. Yet have you ever found that you gained by having the freedom to let go of something to which you had previously clung?
- 3.** The disciples thought that Jesus was making impossible demands of people following him. He acknowledged that discipleship was impossible to us on our own efforts alone. How have you experienced the benefits of the help of others and of God when you were faced with difficulties in life?

Today's Liturgy of the Word

Scripture Themes

Being wealthy, or being concerned about wealth, adds difficulty to the task of working out our salvation. Jesus promises a hundredfold reward even in this life to all who leave everything and follow him. All Christians are called to practice detachment.

FIRST READING

A reading from the Book of Wisdom 7:7-11

I prayed, and understanding was given me;
I entreated, and the spirit of Wisdom came to me.
I esteemed her more than sceptres and thrones;
compared with her, I held riches as nothing.
I reckoned no priceless stone to be her peer,
for compared with her, all gold is a pinch of sand,
and beside her silver ranks as mud.
I loved her more than health or beauty,
preferred her to the light,
since her radiance never sleeps.
In her company all good things came to me,
at her hands riches not to be numbered.



Responsorial Psalm Ps 89:12-17

Response: Fill us with your love that we may rejoice.

1. Make us know the shortness of our life
that we may gain wisdom of heart.
Lord, relent! Is your anger for ever?
Show pity to your servants. *Response*

2. In the morning, fill us with your love;
we shall exult and rejoice all our days.
Give us joy to balance our affliction
for the years when we knew misfortune. *Response*

3. Show forth your work to your servants;
let your glory shine on their children.
Let the favour of the Lord be upon us:
give success to the work of our hands. *Response*

SECOND READING

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Hebrews 4:12-13.

The word of God is something alive and active:
it cuts like any double-edged sword but more finely:
it can slip through the place where the soul is divided from the
spirit,
or joints from the marrow;
it can judge the secret emotions and thoughts.
No created thing can hide from him;
everything is uncovered and open
to the eyes of the one to whom we must give account of
ourselves.

Gospel Acclamation Mt 11: 25

Alleluia, *alleluia!*

Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth,
for revealing the mysteries of the kingdom to mere children.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark 10:17-30

Jesus was setting out on a journey when a man ran up, knelt before him and put this question to him,
'Good master, what must I do to inherit eternal life?'

Jesus said to him,

'Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: You must not kill; You must not commit adultery; You must not steal; You must not bring false witness; You must not defraud; Honour your father and mother. '

And he said to him,

'Master, I have kept all these from my earliest days.'

Jesus looked steadily at him and loved him, and he said,

'There is one thing you lack. Go and sell everything you own and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.'

But his face fell at these words, and he went away sad, for he was a man of great wealth.

Jesus looked round and said to his disciples,

'How hard it is for those who have riches to enter the kingdom of God!' The disciples were astounded by these words, but

Jesus insisted, 'My children,' he said to them, 'how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God.'

They were more astonished than ever.

'In that case' they said to one another 'who can be saved?' Jesus gazed at them.

'For men' he said 'it is impossible, but not for God: because everything is possible for God.'

Peter took this up. 'What about us?' he asked him. 'We have left everything and followed you.'

Jesus said,

'I tell you solemnly, there is no one who has left house, brothers, sisters, father, children or land for my sake and for the sake of the gospel who will not be repaid a hundred times over, houses, brothers, sisters, mothers, children and land – not without persecutions – now in this present time and, in the world to come, eternal life.'

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A prayer for our earth

All-powerful God, you are present in the whole universe
and in the smallest of your creatures.

You embrace with your tenderness all that exists.

Pour out upon us the power of your love,
that we may protect life and beauty.

Fill us with peace, that we may live
as brothers and sisters, harming no one.

O God of the poor,
help us to rescue the abandoned and forgotten of this earth,
so precious in your eyes.

Bring healing to our lives,
that we may protect the world and not prey on it,
that we may sow beauty, not pollution and destruction.

Touch the hearts
of those who look only for gain
at the expense of the poor and the earth.

Teach us to discover the worth of each thing,
to be filled with awe and contemplation,
to recognize that we are profoundly united
with every creature

as we journey towards your infinite light.

We thank you for being with us each day.

Encourage us, we pray, in our struggle for justice, love and peace.