



# St. Anne's Parish

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## The Fifth Sunday of Lent



### This Week in St. Anne's

Sunday Mass: 5pm Vigil & 11am

Masses this week: Tues, Wed & Thurs at 10am

Confessions: Sat 4.30pm & before masses!

All services are streamed live online



### We Remember Them

Recently Deceased: George Burleigh, Conleth Grant.

Anniversaries: Ita & Gerard McAreavey, Noel Agnew.

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

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.

### Your Giving

This w/end - **Weekly Offering & Monthly Offering**

**Weekly Offering: Envelopes £741.22 & Loose £146.85**  
**Renovation Fund: £355**

Why not set up a **Standing Order**. You can download the **necessary forms from our website...or** call the office on 028 90610112 or email us on [stannes@downandconnor.org](mailto:stannes@downandconnor.org)

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

**A/C No. 07707787**  
**Sort Code 93 83 00**

### Ukraine Special Collection: £5282.75

### Holy Week in St Anne's

**Confessions**: Tuesday & Wednesday at 7pm & before Mass.

**Holy Thursday**: **Mass of the Lord's Supper 7.30pm**  
Night Prayer at 10pm

**Good Friday**: Stations of the Cross 12noon  
**Celebration of the Lord's Passion 3pm**  
Prayer around the Cross 7.30pm

**Holy Saturday**: Morning Prayer 10am

**Easter Vigil 9pm**

**Easter Sunday**: Mass of the Resurrection 11am

## Synod 2021/2023

Many thanks to everyone who had already returned their Synod postcards. Your reflections and input are very much appreciated.

If anyone still wants to make a submission, perhaps you could take a few moments to complete an online submission using the diocesan website: [www.downandconnor.org](http://www.downandconnor.org)



**Dunmurry Churches Together** are once again, after a two-year absence, holding an Easter Service on Easter Sunday morning at 7.00am on Dunmurry Green, Kingsway. All are welcome to attend. It will be an opportunity for us as Baptised Christians to worship together again and to express our Faith in the Resurrection of Jesus Christ. Alleluia is our shared song! Please come if you can.

## **ST ANNE'S ONE WORLD GROUP**

Thanks to your generosity at the recent church door collection. The total raised was **£2825** for the Children's Centre in Peru. Your support is really appreciated.

We are about to resume our fundraising activities with a brain polishing evening! **QUIZ NIGHT on FRIDAY 22nd APRIL in PARISH CENTRE at 7.30pm.** Please come along and bring your friends.

## **"NO GREATER LOVE"**

Join us as we follow Christ's journey this Lent. **The programme will run on Mondays at 7.30pm in the Parish Centre.** Each session is made up of a Scripture reading, a video presentation, reflection, and prayer. Each session is a "stand-alone" event. Everyone is very welcome. We look forward to seeing you.

**Foodbank:** The collection boxes are available outside the church each day from 10am - 4pm. Thank you for your continuing generosity. Your giving makes all the difference these difficult days

## **Today's Liturgy of the Word**

### **FIRST READING**

A reading from the book of the Prophet Isaiah 43:16-21

Thus says the Lord,  
who made a way through the sea,  
a path in the great waters;  
who put chariots and horse in the field  
and a powerful army,  
which lay there never to rise again,  
snuffed out, put out like a wick:

No need to recall the past,  
no need to think about what was done before.  
See, I am doing a new deed,  
even now it comes to light; can you not see it?  
Yes, I am making a road in the wilderness, paths in the wilds.

The wild beasts will honour me,  
jackals and ostriches,  
because I am putting water in the wilderness  
(rivers in the wild)  
to give my chosen people drink.  
The people I have formed for myself  
will sing my praises.

### **Responsorial Psalm Ps 125. R v 3**

**Response: *What marvels the Lord worked for us! Indeed, we were glad.***

1. When the Lord delivered Zion from bondage,  
it seemed like a dream.

Then was our mouth filled with laughter,  
on our lips there were songs. *Response*

2. The heathens themselves said: 'What marvels  
the Lord worked for them!'

What marvels the Lord worked for us!  
Indeed we were glad. *Response*

3. Deliver us, O Lord, from our bondage  
as streams in dry land.

Those who are sowing in tears  
will sing when they reap. *Response*

4. They go out, they go out, full of tears,  
carrying seed for the sowing:  
they come back, they come back, full of song,  
carrying their sheaves. *Response*

### **SECOND READING**

A reading from the second letter of St Paul to the Philippians 3:8-14

I believe nothing can happen that will outweigh the supreme advantage of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For him I have accepted the loss of everything, and I look on everything as so much rubbish if only I can have Christ and be given a place in him. I am no longer trying for perfection by my own efforts, the perfection that comes from the Law, but I want only the perfection that comes through faith in Christ and is from God and based on faith. All I want is to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and to share his sufferings by reproducing the pattern of his death. That is the way I can hope to take my place in the resurrection of the dead. Not that I have become perfect yet: I have not yet won, but I am still running, trying to capture the prize for which Christ Jesus captured me. I can assure you my brothers, I am far from thinking that I have already won. All I can say is that I forget the past and I strain ahead for what is still to come; I am racing for the finish, for the prize to which God calls us upwards to receive in Christ Jesus.

### **Gospel Acclamation Amos 5:14**

Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory!  
Seek good and not evil so that you may live,  
and that the Lord God of hosts may really be with you.  
Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory!

**GOSPEL: John 8:1-11**

Jesus went to the Mount of Olives. At daybreak he appeared in the Temple again; and as all the people came to him, he sat down and began to teach them.

The scribes and Pharisees brought a woman along who had been caught committing adultery; and making her stand there in full view of



everybody, they said to Jesus, 'Master, this woman was caught in the very act of committing adultery, and Moses has ordered us in the Law to condemn women like this to death by stoning. What have you to say?'

They asked him this as a test, looking for something to use against him.

But Jesus bent down and started writing on the ground with his finger. As they persisted with their question, he looked up and said, 'If there is one of you who has not sinned, let him be the first to throw a stone at her.'

Then he bent down and wrote on the ground again. When they heard this, they went away one by one, beginning with the eldest, until Jesus was left alone with the woman, who remained standing there.

He looked up and said,

'Woman, where are they? Has no one condemned you?'

No one, sir,' she replied.

'Neither do I condemn you,' said Jesus 'go away, and don't sin anymore.'

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**Easter Retreat at SMA Dromantine Retreat Centre**  
**Wed. 13<sup>th</sup> (5.00pm) – Easter Sun 17<sup>th</sup> (9.00am)**

This will be an opportunity for quiet reflection as you celebrate the ceremonies of the Easter Triduum. It begins with the Seder Meal on Wed. and ends with Dawn Mass and Easter breakfast.

Cost (inc. accom. and meals) £340 / E400

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**Cappella Caeciliana**, with new Musical Director Matthew Quinn, presents a concert of Lenten music (including Allegri's Miserere) in Clonard Monastery at 7pm on Palm Sunday, 10th April. Tickets (£12) from [www.caeciliana.org](http://www.caeciliana.org), Clonard reception and Matchetts, Wellington Place. Students and under 25s free.

**Beginning Experience** is a peer ministry to the bereaved, separated and divorced, based within the Family Ministry of the Diocese of Down and Connor.

The loss of a partner through death, separation or divorce is devastating. Beginning Experience is offering a programme of bereavement support in St Bride's Hall, Derryvolgie Ave., Belfast on three Saturdays (April 30, May 28, and June 25.) Booking essential. To find out more, contact Phil: 02890 207645 or Marie 07896119669.