



# St. Anne's Parish

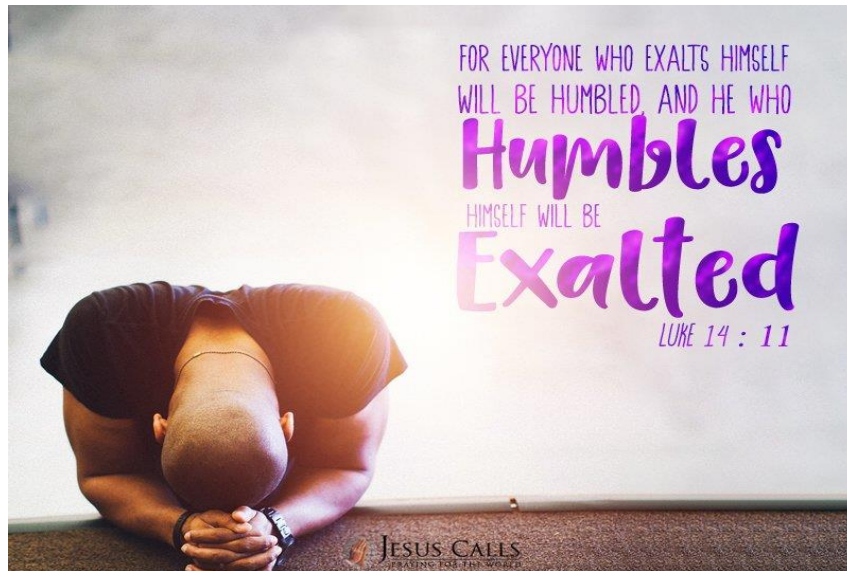
**Pastoral Community of Derriaghy & Colin**

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## **22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**



**This Week in St. Anne's**

**Sunday Mass: 5pm Vigil & 11am**

**Masses this week: Thurs at 10am**

**Confessions: Sat 4.30pm and before masses.**

**All services are streamed live online**



**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 & Renovation Fund**

#### **Last w/end Collection:**

**Weekly Offering:** Envelopes £1086 & Loose £257.83  
**Cathedral Fund:** £317.95

Why not set up a **Standing Order**. You can download the forms from our website...or **Donate Online** to St. Anne's Parish  
**A/C No. 07707787**  
**Sort Code 93 83 00**

A "**Digital Collection Plate**" for those who wish to donate using Credit or Debit Cards is now available. It is "contactless", and you can also Gift Aid your donation. It's so simple!

#### **We Remember Them**

**Recently Deceased:** Bernadette McCaffrey.

**Anniversary:** Ray Brady.

#### **Foodbank:**

Your continued generous support is gratefully appreciated. Sadly with the increase in food poverty the need for the bank continues to grow. We again thank our regular donors for their generosity and encourage others to join in giving to those most in need.

## One Day Retreats at Lough Derg

One Day Retreats have resumed on Lough Derg, and continue on selected dates until the end of September:

**August 28 & 29 | September 3, 7, 10, 13, 17, 18, 24 & 25**

*Booking is essential.* Admission fee of €45pp includes all refreshments, lunch, return boat service, full retreat programme, free car & coach parking. Boats available from 9.15am on the day; retreat begins at 10.30am until 4.30pm. For booking and further information: by phone +353 (0)71 9861518

online: [www.loughderg.org](http://www.loughderg.org)

email: [info@loughderg.org](mailto:info@loughderg.org)

## Seeing Your Life Through The Lens of The Gospel

- The parable brings out two contrasting experiences, but each in its own way can be a moment of grace, a moment of truth, a moment of growth. You may be able to recall such experiences in your life. In the first (verses 8, 9) we discover that we had claimed a place that is too high for us; we are not as selfless, generous or compassionate as we thought we were. In the second (v.10) when others point out a goodness in ourselves that we may not have acknowledged to ourselves. How have you grown through such experiences?
- In verses 12-14 Jesus warns us against the danger of ulterior motives in doing good. We can do good things partly because of the benefit we will get from what we do. That is natural but can lead to disappointment and resentment when our expectations are not met. When the good deed in itself is our reward, we have a greater freedom. Feedback will be a bonus but not necessary. What does your life experience tell you about this?

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## Liturgy of the Word

### FIRST READING

A reading from the Book of Ecclesiasticus 3:17-20. 28-29.

My son, be gentle in carrying out your business, and you will be better loved than a lavish giver. The greater you are, the more you should behave humbly, and then you will find favour with the Lord; for great though the power of the Lord is, he accepts the homage of the humble. There is no cure for the proud man's malady, since an evil growth has taken root in him. The heart of a sensible man will reflect on parables, an attentive ear is the sage's dream.

### Responsorial. Psalm - Ps 67

#### Response:

**In your goodness, O God, you prepared a home for the poor.**

1. The just shall rejoice at the presence of God,  
they shall exult and dance for joy.

O sing to the Lord, make music to his name;  
rejoice in the Lord, exult at his  
presence. *Response*

2. Father of the orphan, defender of the widow,  
such is God in his holy place.

God gives the lonely a home to live in;  
he leads the prisoners forth into  
freedom. *Response*

3. You poured down, O God, a generous rain:  
when your people were starved you gave them new life.  
It was there that your people found a home,  
prepared in your goodness, O God, for the  
poor. *Response*

## SECOND READING

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Hebrews 12:18-19. 22-24

What you have come to is nothing known to the senses: not a blazing fire, or a gloom turning to total darkness, or a storm; or trumpeting thunder or the great voice speaking which made everyone that heard it beg that no more should be said to them. But what you have come to is Mount Zion and the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem where the millions of angels have gathered for the festival, with the whole Church in which everyone is a 'first-born son' and a citizen of heaven. You have come to God himself, the supreme Judge, and been placed with spirits of the saints who have been made perfect; and to Jesus, the mediator who brings a new covenant.



## 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 Gospel according to Luke 14:1. 7-14



*Now on a sabbath day he had gone for a meal to the house of one of the leading Pharisees; and they watched him closely. He then told the guests a parable because he had noticed how they picked the places of honour. He said this, 'When someone invites you to a wedding feast, do not take your seat in the place of honour. A more distinguished person than you may have been invited, and the person who invited you both may come and say, "Give up your place to this man". And then, to your embarrassment, you would have to go and take the lowest place. **No**; when you are a guest, make your way to the lowest place and sit there, so that, when your host comes, he may say, "My friend, move up higher". In that way, everyone with you at the table will see you honoured. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and the man who humbles himself will be exalted.'*

*Then he said to his host, 'When you give a lunch or a dinner, do not ask your friends, brothers, relations, or rich neighbours, for fear they repay your courtesy by inviting you in return. **No**; when you have a party, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind; that they cannot pay you back means that you are fortunate, because repayment will be made to you when the virtuous rise again.'*

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## **WHEN IT IS DARKEST: Understanding Suicide**

Suicide can affect any one of us and despite the scale of devastation for individuals, family, and friends, it is still poorly understood. This workshop will untangle the complex reasons behind suicide and dispel unhelpful myths. It will also provide compassionate advice on how best to help someone vulnerable and support those struggling through the tragedy of suicide to find strength in the darkest of places.

**Saturday, 24th September 2022**  
40 Sterling / 45 Euro

Please share with anyone who may be interested. Everyone welcome.

Workshop Facilitator: Father Hugh Lagan SMA  
Fr Lagan is a priest with the Society of African Missions and a chartered clinical psychologist. He has led retreats, workshops and trainings internationally on psychological and spiritual well-being, positive change, trauma, mental health and resilience.

Please contact Jacinta or Louisa to reserve your place:  
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**Everyone Welcome**

**RESERVATIONS**

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