



# St. Anne's Parish

**Pastoral Community of Derriaghy & Colin**

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



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

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

**Masses this week: No mass this week**

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

**All services are streamed live online**



**Parish Office:** Closed Mon 19<sup>th</sup> Sept. 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 & Autumn Offering**

**Last w/end Collection:**

**Weekly Offering: Envelopes £631.50 & Loose £249.35**

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:** Patricia Kerr.  
**Anniversary:** Frank Heaney, Charles Gray

### **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.

**St. Anne's Bowling Club:** We would warmly welcome new members...come and give it a go! We meet on Monday evenings in the Parish Centre from 8pm to 9.30pm. Beginners very welcome!

**Queen's University Catholic Chaplaincy**

The Chaplaincy at Queen's University Belfast looks forward to reopening for the new academic year from **Monday 12 September**. Open during term from **10am to 10pm Monday through Thursday** and **Fridays 10am to 3pm**, the Chaplaincy provides vital pastoral and faith supports to students, offering them a home-from-home during their time at University. More on what's on offer can be found at **qubcatholic.org** Mosaic Café is open Monday through Friday from 10am to 3pm and the ever-popular Sunday evening Mass, open to the University community and wider public, resumes from **Sunday 18 September at 8pm**. Spread the word, especially with any incoming or returning students!

**Seeing Your Life Through The Lens of The Gospel**

1. As often with the parables of Jesus, this one is intended to shock in order to make us think. Jesus is not praising the injustice of the servant, but his purposefulness in preparing for the future. In your experience what difference does it make when you are purposeful and energetic instead of lethargic?
2. It was his master's call to account that galvanised the servant into action. What have been the experiences, or people, that have galvanised you into action when you had been somewhat half-hearted in your efforts?
3. Who have been the people whose energy, drive and astuteness have been an inspiration to you in how to handle difficult situations?
4. 'No servant can be the slave of two masters. When have you experienced the truth of this statement?

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**Liturgy of the Word**

**FIRST READING**

A reading from the Book of the prophet Amos 8:4-7

Listen to this, you who trample on the needy and try to suppress the poor people of the country, you who say,

'When will New Moon be over so that we can sell our corn, and sabbath, so that we can market our wheat?

Then by lowering the bushel, raising the shekel, by swindling and tampering with the scales, we can buy up the poor for money, and the needy for a pair of sandals, and get a price even for the sweepings of the wheat.'

The Lord swears it by the pride of Jacob, 'Never will I forget a single thing you have done'

**Responsorial Psalm Ps 112**

**Response: Praise the Lord, who raises the poor.**

1. Praise, O servants of the Lord,  
praise the name of the Lord!  
May the name of the Lord be blessed  
both now and for evermore!    *Response*
2. High above all nations is the Lord,  
above the heavens his glory.  
Who is like the Lord, our God,  
who has risen on high to his throne  
yet stoops from the heights to look down,  
to look down upon heaven and earth?    *Response*
3. From the dust he lifts up the lowly,  
from the dung heap he raises the poor  
to set him in the company of princes,  
yes, with the princes of his people.    *Response*

## SECOND READING

### A reading from the first letter of St Paul to Timothy 2:1-8

My advice is that first of all, there should be prayers offered for everyone – petitions, intercessions and thanksgiving – and especially for kings and others in authority, so that we may be able to live religious and reverent lives in peace and quiet. To do this is right and will please God our saviour: he wants everyone to be saved and reach full knowledge of the truth. For there is only one God, and there is only one mediator between God and mankind, himself a man, Christ Jesus, who sacrificed himself as a ransom for them all. He is the evidence of this, sent at the appointed time, and I have been named a herald and apostle of it and – I am telling the truth and no lie – a teacher of the faith and the truth to the pagans. In every place, then, I want the men to lift their hands up reverently in prayer, with no anger or argument.

### Gospel Acclamation Acts 16: 14

Alleluia, alleluia!  
Open our heart, O Lord, to accept the words of your Son.  
Alleluia!

## GOSPEL

### A reading from the Gospel according to Luke 16:1-13

Jesus said to his disciples,  
'There was a rich man, and he had a steward denounced to him for being wasteful with his property. He called for the man and said, "What is this I hear about you? Draw me up an account of your stewardship because you are not to be my steward any longer." Then the steward said to himself, "Now that my master is taking the stewardship from me, what am I to do? Dig? I am not strong enough. Go begging? I should be too ashamed. Ah, I know what I will do to

make sure that when I am dismissed from office there will be some to welcome me into their homes."

Then he called his master's debtors one by one. To the first he said, "How much do you owe my master?" "One hundred measures of oil" was the reply. The steward said, "Here, take your bond; sit down straight away and write fifty". To another he said, "And you, sir, how much do you owe?" "One hundred measures of wheat" was the reply. The steward said, "Here, take your bond and write eighty".

'The master praised the dishonest steward for his astuteness. For the children of this world are more astute in dealing with their own kind than are the children of light.'

'And so I tell you this: use money, tainted as it is, to win you friends, and thus make sure that when it fails you, they will welcome you into the tents of eternity. The man who can be trusted in little things can be trusted in great; the man who is dishonest in little things will be dishonest in great. If then you cannot be trusted with money, that tainted thing, who will trust you with genuine riches? And if you cannot be trusted with what is not yours, who will give you what is your very own?

'No servant can be the slave of two masters: he will either hate the first and love the second or treat the first with respect and the second with scorn. You cannot be the slave both of God and of money.'



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## **‘Liturgy after Covid – Approaches to Liturgy in light of our experience of the Pandemic’**

A one-day Seminar hosted by Down and Connor Liturgy Commission  
St Brigid’s Parish Hall, 38 Derryvolgie Avenue, Belfast, BT9 6FP  
Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> October 2022 Registration 9.30am Seminar 10.30am to 4.30pm

The Diocese of Down and Connor Liturgy Commission warmly invites clergy, permanent deacons and those in liturgical ministry, in particular Ministers of the Word, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion and members of Parish Pastoral Councils in the Diocese of Down and Connor to attend this Seminar. The cost is £10 per person and tea/coffee will be provided. Please bring a packed lunch.

To help with seating and other arrangements it will be helpful to have approximate numbers and so if you plan to attend, please contact Malachy McKeever by e-mail at [liturgy@downandconnor.org](mailto:liturgy@downandconnor.org)

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### **VACANCY DOWN and CONNOR DIOCESAN TRUST HOUSEKEEPER CHRIST THE REDEEMER PARISH**

A part-time Housekeeper vacancy has arisen within Christ the Redeemer Parish, Parochial House, 81 Lagmore Grove, Belfast, BT17 0TD. The post holder will be required to provide a confidential, efficient housekeeping service to the Parish Priest, whilst ensuring a pleasant, safe, welcoming, and clean Presbytery is provided to other presbytery workers, volunteers, and parish visitors. The terms are based on a permanent appointment requiring 12 hours attendance each week, work pattern to be agreed with the successful candidate. Flexibility will be required in relation to attendance and hours worked, from time to time. Rate of Pay - £9.50 gross per hour. Full details relating to the vacancy can be found on the Diocesan website at: <http://www.downandconnor.org> clicking on the tab: JOB VACANCIES and on the Community NI website, where terms and conditions relating to the role can also be accessed by way of a Role Profile and Employment Application form. Application packs can also be obtained from the Parish Office. We welcome applications from anyone who feels they meet the criteria and are interested in playing an active part in the Parish. Closing date for applications will be 12.00 noon on Tuesday 27th September 2022 Down and Connor Diocesan Trust is an Equal Opportunities Employer

### **A Prayer for the Earth (from Laudato Si, 246)**

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.