



# St. Anne's Parish

**Pastoral Community of Derriaghy & Colin**

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

1<sup>st</sup> October 2023



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

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

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

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

**Parish Office:** 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**

**Last w/end: Weekly Offering Env £850.70 Loose £210.84  
Renovation Fund: £350**

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 located in the main porch of the church. It is "contactless", and you can also Gift Aid your donation. It's so simple!

**Anniversaries:** Brigid Brannigan, Tom Madden.

### **Pathways to the Future Prayer**

God of Love, you are with us in every transition and change. As we enter into this new era with excitement and even some anxiety, we recall your deep compassion, presence, and abounding love.

We thank you for the gifts, talents and skills with which you have blessed us. We thank you for the work of others that gives breadth and depth to our own work. Be with us as we move forward, rejoicing with you and supporting one another. We ask this in your Holy Name. Amen

## Seeing your life through the Gospel

1. It is possible to be a dutiful and observant Christian, and yet feel there is something missing. Does it not make a huge difference when your heart is in what you are doing? It is so much better than just going through the motions. Where do you experience that most in your life?
2. The desire of Jesus for us is that we grow in that kind of committed, enthusiastic involvement in life. What encourages you to grow in this way? Recall times when your relationship with God, or with another person, was something that gave you energy, hope or joy. What lessons do you learn from those memories?
3. The elders probably thought well of themselves in contrast to the tax collectors and sinners. Perhaps you know some unconventional people, ones who appear to ignore the 'right' way of doing things, and yet they have taught you something about true goodness.

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**Foodbank** - The collection box will be outside the church each day from 10am to 4pm. Your continued generosity is very much appreciated.

## The Pope's Monthly Intention

*For the Synod:* We pray for the Church, that she may adopt listening and dialogue as a lifestyle at every level and allow herself to be guided by the Holy Spirit towards the peripheries of the world.

## St Francis of Assisi • 4 October

What does Saint Francis's witness tell us today? What does he have to say to us, not merely with words – that is easy enough – but by his life? His first and most essential witness is this: that being a Christian means having a living relationship with the person of Jesus; it means putting on Christ, being conformed to him. Where did Francis's journey to Christ begin? It began with the gaze of the crucified Jesus. With letting Jesus look at us at the very moment that he gives his life for us and draws us to himself. Francis experienced this in a special way in the Church of San Damiano, as he prayed before the cross. On that cross, Jesus is depicted not as dead, but alive! Blood is flowing from his wounded hands, feet and side, but that blood speaks of life. Jesus' eyes are not closed but open, wide open: he looks at us in a way that touches our hearts.

We turn to you, Francis, and we ask you: Teach us to remain before the cross, to let the crucified Christ gaze upon us, to let ourselves be forgiven, and recreated by his love.

Pope Francis – from homily on St Francis

***Trócaire*** is looking for people to join our team of Christmas fundraisers to help respond to the urgent need of poor communities around the world, including the millions of children and families caught in conflict across Ethiopia, South Sudan and Ukraine.

*You can take action and make a difference through a range of activities, including the promotion of our Gifts of Change – training and support will be provided.*

*If you would like to find out more about what you can do to help now or over the Advent and Christmas period, then please email Mark McMahon at [infoni@trocaire.org](mailto:infoni@trocaire.org) or call 028 9080 8030.*

## St. Anne's Parish Accounts 2022

	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
<b>Income:</b>					
Collections	153,065	152,717	114,471	128,323	140,628
Building Fund	23,378	22,738	17,358	16,922	15,973
Gift Aid	27,832	37,064	18,079	37,543	44,919
Fundraising and Miscellaneous	6,729	4,707	26,816	17,476	155,123 *
Parish Centre	37,240	37,675	16,980	19,450	29,565
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>248,244</b>	<b>254,901</b>	<b>193,704</b>	<b>219,714</b>	<b>386,208</b>
<b>Expenditure:</b>					
Salaries	76,674	74,667	55,382	47,618	58,089
Liturgical Costs	20,394	17,734	12,671	6,598	8,351
Running Costs	29,420	29,468	30,006	29,838	36,183
Interest & Fees	11,767	12,904	3,831	2,175	2,180
Diocesan Payments	35,452	37,712	33,105	32,123	34,712
Parish Centre	26,132	13,086	7,698	2,355	2,324
Repairs and Maintenance	26,974	43,947	8,460	22,367	75,889
<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>226,813</b>	<b>229,518</b>	<b>151,153</b>	<b>143,074</b>	<b>217,728</b>
<b>Surplus</b>	<b>21,431</b>	<b>25,383</b>	<b>42,551</b>	<b>76,640</b>	<b>168,480</b>
<b>Loan Balance 31 Dec</b>	<b>497,281 dr</b>	<b>477,238 dr</b>	<b>459,662 dr</b>	<b>394,662 dr</b>	<b>224,662 dr</b>

\*Includes bequest 150,000



"IF MARY WERE BUT KNOWN."

**SUNDAY  
08/10**

## OUR 20TH ANNUAL ROSARY PROCESSION

Followed by Benediction and Catholic Organisations' Fair in St. Comgall's Hall with refreshments afterwards  
From St. John's Parish to St. Peter's Cathedral 2:30pm  
(shuttle bus available from St Peter's to St John's from 12:30-2:15pm)

For more information on each event, please visit: [www.legionofmarydc.co.uk](http://www.legionofmarydc.co.uk)  
or call 07955386288



**SAT  
30/09**

Retreat for Mothers  
10am  
St. Teresa's Parish Hall  
(pre-registration required)

The Camino of St Michael the Archangel  
From St Peter's Cathedral to St. Michael's Parish, gathering at 1:15pm

Eucharistic Healing Service at 4pm  
Mass at 5pm with homily on St. Michael and the Archangels by Fr Peter Prusakiewicz

**SAT  
30/09**

**TUE  
03/10**

Mother of Mercy  
Reconciliation Night - 7:30pm  
Corpus Christi Church  
Ballymurphy  
(Light refreshments afterwards)

Fr John Harris (Prior of the Dominicans in Ireland)  
talk on "If Mary were but known" and Q&A  
Holy Rosary's Parish Hall at 7pm

**THU  
05/10**

**FRI  
06/10**

Mass followed by Sacred Heart Devotions with Way of the Cross - 6pm  
Immaculate Heart of Mary Church - Antrim Road

First Saturdays Devotions followed by Sung Mass with homily - 10:30am  
Immaculate Heart of Mary Church  
Antrim Road

First Saturday Devotions and Holy Hour followed by Mass 12:00pm  
St Mary's Chapel Lane

**SAT  
07/10**

