



St. Anne's Parish

Pastoral Community of Derriaghy & Colin

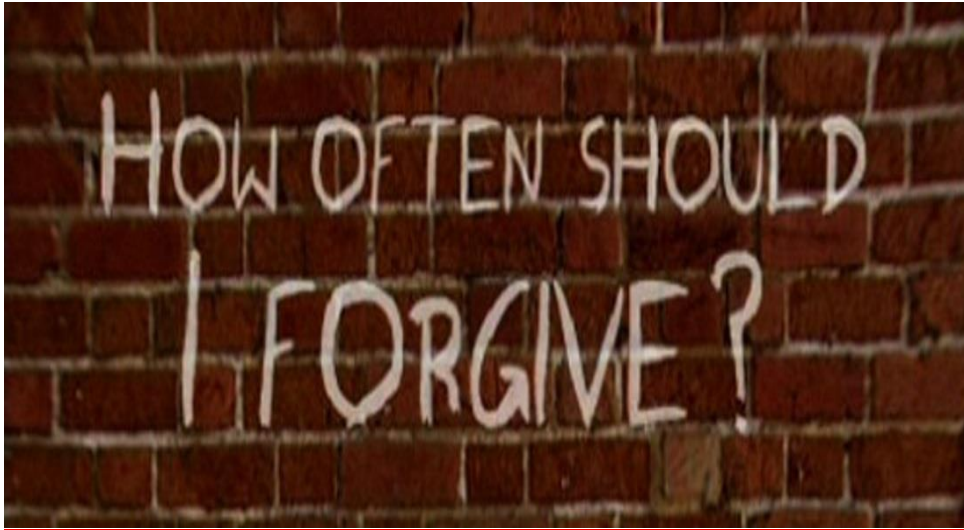
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24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

17th September 2023



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.

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 & Autumn Offering**

Last w/end: Weekly Offering Env £942.60 Loose £180.56

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!

Recently Deceased: Philip Gribbon.

Anniversaries: Frank Heaney, Kathleen Lynch.

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. Jesus surprised Peter by telling him he needed to forgive seventy-seven times. Perhaps you have known the value of this when something reminds you of a past hurt and you find you need in your heart to forgive again the person who hurt you. What was this like for you? How has a capacity to have a forgiving heart helped you?
2. Sometimes we need to forgive ourselves for things we regret about past behaviour. What happens to you when you cannot do this? How has your ability to forgive yourself for past mistakes influenced your attitude towards yourself now?
3. Pope Francis chose as his motto 'miserando atque eligendo' (*seen with compassion and chosen*) to express his belief that Jesus viewed his past mistakes with compassion, and called him, nonetheless. At this moment can you see Jesus calling you, no matter what your past has been like?
4. Are there people whose ability to forgive has inspired you? Recall them and the forgiveness they showed and give thanks for their example.

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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.

Beginning Experience

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 (September 30th; October 28th and November 25th, 2023) Booking essential. To find out more, contact Marie on [07896119669](tel:07896119669) or email belfastbe@yahoo.com

Season of Creation 2023

The Season of Creation is marked throughout the Christian world from 1 September to 4 October (Feast of Saint Francis of Assisi) and celebrates the joy of creation as well as encouraging awareness-raising initiatives to protect the natural environment. This year's theme is "**Let Justice and Peace Flow**" taking inspiration from the Prophet Amos. We are called to join the river of justice and peace, to take up climate and ecological justice, and to speak out with and for communities most impacted by climate injustice and the loss of biodiversity. As the people of God, we must work together on behalf of all Creation, as part of that mighty river of peace and justice.

Tobar Mhuire Retreat Centre

We continue our series of conversations in Tobar Mhuire in which people share their experience of life, faith and finding hope in their lives. Our next conversation will be on Wednesday 20th September at 7pm with Rev Bill Shaw from the Duncairn Centre, Belfast, who will share his experience in peace and reconciliation. All welcome. Voluntary donation.



Bringing together in prayer

those who have or have had cancer and, their loved ones,

those who care for them, doctors and nurses,

those with special skills involved in the investigation and treatment of cancer,

those in authority who have responsibility for providing resources our scientists trying to find the cure.

Clonard Monastery, Belfast Sunday, October 22, 2023 – 3.30pm



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We are offering a support programme over three Saturdays during the autumn and would be most grateful if you could include the following information in your Church Bulletin at your earliest convenience.

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Prayer for Migrants and Refugees

• World Day 24 September

Lord, make us bearers of hope,
so that where there is darkness,
your light may shine,
and where there is discouragement,
confidence in the future may be reborn.

Lord, make us instruments of your justice,
so that where there is exclusion, fraternity may flourish,
and where there is greed, a spirit of sharing may grow.

Lord, make us builders of your Kingdom,
together with migrants and refugees
and with all who dwell on the peripheries.

Lord, let us learn how beautiful it is
to live together as brothers and sisters. Amen.

Pope Francis

Thoughts of St Pius of Pietrelcina (Padre Pio)

Memorial 23 September

Pray, hope and don't worry. Worry is useless. Our Merciful Lord will listen to your prayer. Do not worry over things that generate preoccupation, derangement and anxiety. One thing only is necessary: to lift up your spirit and love God.
If we are calm and persevering, we shall find not only ourselves, but our souls, and with that, God Himself.
Continue to be patient – it will all be for your good.
Even if the world were to capsize, if everything were to become dark, hazy, tumultuous, God would still be with us.