



St. Anne's Parish

Pastoral Community of Derriaghy & Colin

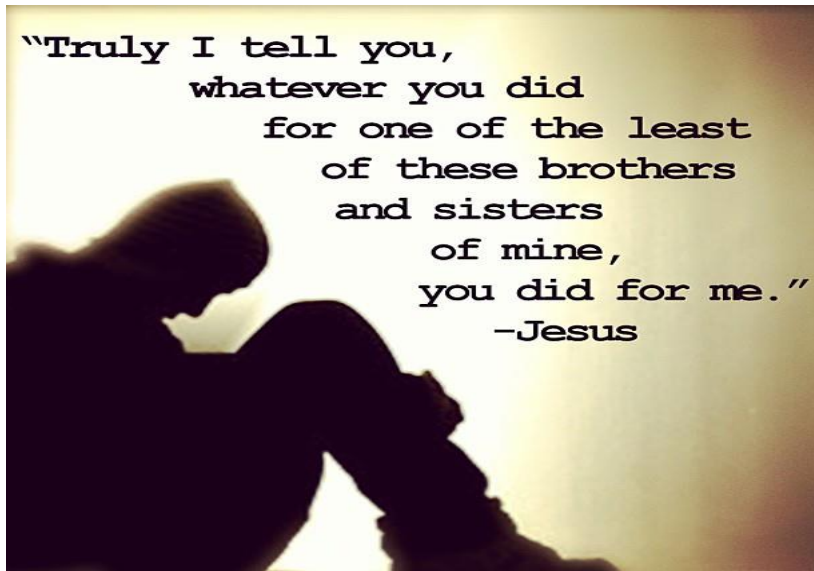
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Christ the King

26th November 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 & Renovation Fund**

**Last w/end: Weekly Offering Env: £598.50 Loose: £307.50
Bishops Commissions £370**

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!

Dunmurry Churches Together

Advent Service here in St. Anne's on Monday 4th December at 7.30pm. Everyone is invited to begin our journey, as a faith community, of preparation to welcome the Christ-child! Refreshments will be served afterwards.

Foodbank:

Your continued support is gratefully appreciated. The need for the bank continues to grow. Thank you again for your generosity and please encourage others to give to those most in need. The collection boxes are outside the church door 10am to 4pm.

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

Annual Mass for Deceased Clergy & Religious

The Annual Mass for Deceased Clergy and Religious who have died in this past year will take place on Tues 28th November in St Peter's Cathedral at 7:30 pm

St. Anne's Primary School and Nursery Unit

– Enrolment in Nursery Unit and Primary 1 for September 2023.

Nursery Open Days: Tues 12th Dec 2.30 – 3.30pm

Wed 17th January 2024, 2.30 – 3.30pm

Primary 1 Open Days - Wed 13th Dec 1.00 – 2.00pm

Tues 16th January 2024, 9.30-10.30

The application procedure opens from noon on Tuesday 9th January 2024, via the online portal. The application portal closes at 12 noon on Friday 26th January 2024.

CAPPELLA BY CANDLELIGHT - Cappella Caeciliana, conducted by Matthew Quinn, present a candlelit concert of beautiful and reflective choral music in St. Patrick's Church, Donegall Street, at 7.45pm on Sunday 26th November. Tickets (£15) and more information from www.caeciliana.org and Matchetts, Wellington Place. Free entry for students and under 25s.

"Advent to Christmas"

- Afternoon of Reflection with Fr Perry Gildea cm Drumalis Retreat and Conference Centre, Larne - Sat 2nd Dec. Fr Perry will lead a gentle afternoon of reflection as we begin the Advent journey, concluding with celebration of the Vigil Mass of the First Sunday of Advent. The afternoon is free of charge donations are welcome. Pre-booking is essential. To book a place, please contact Drumalis by phone 028 2827 2196/2827 6455 or by email drumalis@btconnect.com

WOULD YOU LIKE TO BECOME A MARRIAGE AND RELATIONSHIP COUNSELLOR WITH ACCORD NI?

Accord NI Catholic Marriage Care Service is seeking applications for a 2-year part-time Certificate in Counselling (Couple and Relationship)). You will need weekend availability for our funded residential training courses in Crossgar, Co. Down and a commitment to complete the course over 2 years, beginning in April 2024. You do not need previous counselling experience or qualifications, academic qualifications or to pay academic rates. Whilst there is no charge to trainees for the training itself, there is a one-off non-refundable deposit of £200 to secure your place. Course fees will be funded and placement will be provided by Accord NI. The closing date for receipt of applications is 20th December 2023. If you would like further information, please contact Brenda at 02890233002 or info@accordni.co.

St Vincent DePaul are holding their annual Christmas lunch for senior citizens, in the Beechlawn Hotel, on Sunday 10th December at 12.30pm. Everyone is welcome. Please give your name and telephone number to any member of SVdeP if you are interested.



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VACANCY

PARISH CENTRE CO-ORDINATOR

An exciting opportunity has arisen for the appointment of a Parish Centre Co-Ordinator within St Anne's Parish. The post holder will be responsible for the smooth operation of the Parish Centre and associated activities.

The terms are based on a permanent appointment requiring 24 hours per week, however flexibility to work additional hours may be required. Work pattern to be agreed with the Parish Priest.

Salary/Rate of Pay - £15,000 gross per annum

Full details relating to the vacancy can be found on the Diocesan website at: <http://www.downandconnor.org> clicking on the tab: **JOB VACANCIES**, on the Community NI website, and on nijobs.com, 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 St Anne's 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 28th November 2023

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PATHWAYS TO THE FUTURE

In excess of 1,000 people have registered or have already attended one of the Pathways to the Future conversations that are being held across the Diocese during November. The conversations have been animated, rich, and fruitful, with those present sharing their hopes and dreams for their parishes and Families of parishes, their cares and concerns, as well as ideas and suggestions on how we build the Kingdom of God in Down and Connor. The Holy Spirit is moving through our parishes and our people, and there is a very real sense of excitement and optimism, and a willingness among our faithful to answer's Christ's call to renew and rebuild His Church for now and for the future.

On this Feast of Christ the King, as this church year draws to a close and we move into a time of waiting, expectation and preparation for the birth of Christ, our Saviour and King, let us pray for the renewal of our Church in Down and Connor and the guidance of the Holy Spirit as we plan for our future. Let us pray to be guided by the Spirit in the discernment of our own personal gifts and the role that God wants us to play in sharing the Good News of the Gospel and the love of God with all we meet and journey within our lives.

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