



St. Anne's Parish

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First Sunday of Advent

3rd December 2023



This Week in St. Anne's

Sunday Mass: 5pm Vigil & 11am

Masses this week: Tues, Wed, Thurs & Fri 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 & Monthly Offering**

**Last w/end: Weekly Offering Env: £499.50 Loose: £313.70
Renovation Fund £227.78**

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!

Feast of the Immaculate Conception – Fri 8th December
Mass at 10am
Holyday of Obligation

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.

We Remember Them

Recently Deceased: Noel Vernon. **Anniversary:** Wendy Healy.

St. Vincent de Paul Annual Appeal – Next w/end 9th/10th December. Your generous giving would be very much appreciated.

Foodbank: Christmas brings added pressures to those already struggling to make ends meet. It is always a time of greater demand in the foodbanks. During this Advent season, can we ask you to continue your generous support and welcome others to join us in making a difference this Christmas. Thank you

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

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.

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.

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 Dec 2023. For further information, please contact Brenda at 02890233002 or info@accordni.co.



Family Care
Adoption Services

Family Care Adoption Services is an Adoption Agency, and a core part of our work is to place children with new adoptive families. We provide adoption services throughout all Northern Ireland and work with Health and Social Care Trusts to place single children and sibling groups for adoption. These children are aged from babyhood to approximately 5 years old. There are currently more children waiting to be adopted in Northern Ireland than families approved to adopt and there is an urgent need for new families to come forward.

All sorts of people from all walks of life can be considered for adoption. So if you think you could offer a child/ren a new life in a family of their own and would like an informal chat to discuss this and to find out more about adoption, CONTACT US!

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