



St. Anne's Parish

Pastoral Community of Derriaghy & Colin

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Second Sunday of Advent

10th December 2023



This Week in St. Anne's

Sunday Mass: 5pm Vigil & 11am

Masses this week: Tues, Wed & Thurs at 10am.

Confessions: Sat 4.30pm & after 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**

**Last w/end: Weekly Offering Env: £927.60 Loose: £354.65
Monthly Offering £626**

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!

Thank You! To all those who contributed to our collection for the Welcome Organisation at our Dunmurry Churches Together service on Monday. A total of **£400.40** was raised. Well done!

We Remember Them

Month's Mind: Nuala Price.

Anniversary: Colin Russell, Shane Loughran, George & Clare Burleigh, Anne O'Neill.

St. Vincent de Paul Annual Appeal – This w/end 9th/10th Dec. 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

Christmas Masses

Saturday 23rd Dec. Vigil Mass 5pm
Sunday 24th Dec. 11am

Christmas Eve – Sun 24th Dec Vigil 9pm
Christmas Day – Mon 25th Dec 11am

Confessions: Monday 18th Dec. 7pm
Wed 20th & Thurs 21st 10.30am
Sat 23rd at 4.30pm



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.

Trócaire Gifts of Change for Christmas will be available to purchase from St Anne's One World Group, in the Parish Centre next weekend 16th & 17th December.

Trócaire School Volunteers

Are you a retired teacher or someone who has experience presenting to groups of school children? Do you have a passion for making this world a better place, especially for the most vulnerable? Trócaire is looking for volunteers to support our School Talks Programme for Lent 2024 in the Down & Connor Diocese. If you think you have the right skills and experience and will have a few free hours during Lent then we would love to hear from you! For more information call Casey Schell on 02890 808033 or email casey.schell@trocaire.org

Spiritual Preparation for Christmas - For Adults

Saturday 16th December - St John the Baptist PS, Finaghy Road North. Hosted by the Legion of Mary and Fr Darren Brennan PP Registration 9:30am - 3pm Finish. Talks and Testimonies followed by Confessions, Adoration and Mass. Cost is £10 - Includes Lunch For more information or to book, contact Luke on 07955386288.

Greetings from St. Vincent De Paul Parish, Ligoniel.

For over ten years the Filipino Community have gathered in our Parish Church to celebrate an early morning Mass in preparation for Christmas. The Mass takes place at 6am each day from the 16th to the 24th December 2023 inclusive and is followed by traditional Filipino food in the Church Porch and on Christmas Eve in the Parish Hall.

Although the 'Misa De Gallo,' (Mass of the Rooster,) is a tradition among the Filipino Community it is a great way for everyone to spiritually prepare for Christmas. Everyone is most welcome.



Misa de Gallo 2023

December 16 to 24 at 6am

With Very Rev Fr. Vincent Cushnahan

Saint Vincent de Paul

Parish, 169 Ligoniel Road, Belfast, BT14 8DP

Theme: "Peace To People Of Goodwill."



THE CATHOLIC CHAPLAINCY QUB

presents

A FESTIVAL OF NINE LESSONS & CAROLS

with music by Canticle Sacred Music Society

Sunday 10th December 6pm

St Malachy's Church, Alfred Street, Belfast

Refreshments afterwards

*We warmly invite you to join with us as we
celebrate Christ's birth in word and song*

**Retiring collection for Holy Family
Maternity Hospital in Bethlehem**

