



Altar Society: Team A this week.

Would you have 1 to 1 1/2 hours to spare once a month to help the small group of dedicated parishioners, male and female, who keep our church so well? We would love to hear from you, please contact the parish office or leave your name and contact number in the sacristy.

Bereavement Support Group – Have you suffered the pain of Bereavement? If you wish to talk in confidence – please call the parish office on 90610112 and a member of the Group will contact you.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes

7 nights (9-16 July) £725, 5 nights (10-15 July) £650, for pilgrims needing care 5 nights (10-15 July) £550, Youth Team 7-16 July £590 – Applications forms available from parish office or contact Pilgrimage Office 028 90770162 or email: Lourdes@downandconnor.org
Fares per person sharing, inclusive of return transfers, full board and insurance. All flights from Belfast International Airport.

Beginning Experience

The loss of a partner through death, separation or divorce is devastating. Beginning Experience is offering 'a weekend away for a lifetime of change' at Drumalis, Larne, Friday 22nd – Sunday 24th February 2019. To find out more, contact Phil: 02890 207645 or Marie 07896119669. Support group continues Wednesday evenings at 8pm in St Bride's Hall, Derryvolgie Ave, Belfast

Holy Rosary Parish – Ormeau Road

Sunday Night Bingo starting in the new Parish Centre on Sunday 10th February. The weekly event, run on behalf of Good Shepherd Church by members of Youth Football Club and Bredagh GAC, will raise much needed funds to help pay off the remaining debt for the new Centre and be a great opportunity to meet people and maybe win a few pounds. Doors open at 6.45pm. Light refreshments available.

**Christmas Pilgrimage Group to the Holy Land.
ex Dublin 19^h – 27th December**

Also Holy Land 31st October– 8th November 2019 Taking in Bethlehem, Jerusalem (Mount of Olives, Garden of Gethsemane, Last Supper Room and Calvary), Mount Tabor, Cana, Nazareth, Jericho, River Jordan, Dead Sea and Sea of Galilee.

ALSO Medjugorje Pilgrimage for Youth Festival 2019 August Bank Holiday Weekend. ex Dublin 7 nights. Both Pilgrimages can be made by installments Contact James Treacy 0860572216



St. Anne's Parish

Pastoral Community of Derriaghy & Colin

Fr. Peter O'Hare, PP
Rev Patrick McNeill, Deacon
Sr. Mary Murray, Parish Sister

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Sunday Eucharist - 6.30pm Vigil,
10am & 12noon

Masses this week

Mon: 7.30pm,
Tues, Wed, Thurs & Sat. 10am
Friday - NO MASS

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Sat: 10.30am & 6pm

Adoration: Wed & Thurs 10.30am – 9pm, Sat 10.30am – 12pm

Morning Prayer Mon & Thurs 10am

Coming soon

Pastoral Community Forum Meeting: Tues 7.30pm

Confirmation – Mon 4th March 1.30pm

Ash Wednesday – Lent Begins 6th March

Easter Sunday – 21st April

Your Giving: Weekly Offering: £2145.62

Collection for White Fathers: £2266.09 - Thank You
2nd Envelope next weekend - Church Building Fund

We Remember Them

Recently Deceased: Raymond Geary, Bernadette (Bernie) Conlon
Anniversaries: George Rooney, James Leeson, William & Mary Jane Dundas, Vincent & Eileen Dundas, Patrick & Mary O'Hagan, John Quinn, Jack & Rosaleen McAnally, Neil McCarney, Mary McTaggart

Missionaries of Africa Appeal

Sincere thanks to everyone who contributed to the White Fathers appeal last weekend, the magnificent sum of £2266.09 was collected and will be forwarded to them. Please return all envelopes asap.

Please note

The parish office will be closed next week 18th /22nd February, for staff training - email and emergency calls will be dealt with as normal. We have switched our email to the Diocesan email address - **stannes@downandconnor.org** Please use this email address to contact the parish office. Thank You.

The Alpha Course – Save the Date!

St Anne's will be joining Lowe Memorial Church, Finaghy to host this year's Alpha, come along and join in, meet new friends, see old ones! Thurs, 7th March, 7.45pm – Where? White Field Coffee Shop, Finaghy.

Church of the Nativity - Poleglass

Catholic Guides of Ireland (CGI) Church of the Nativity Unit is urgently looking for volunteers to assist at their weekly Unit meetings which take place at Good Shepherd Primary School on Monday evenings. No Guiding experience is needed. If you are able to give 2 hours of your time a week and would like to find out more please contact: Laura by email at mcgurklaura@hotmail.com

Toccatamusical Productions - Christ the Redeemer Church

Sat 23rd Feb at 8pm - Cost: £10, contact the parish office for tickets.
Or: www.toccatamusicalproductions.com Living up to the title of "Cultural Ambassadors UK" Toccatam was founded in 2005 to help the Tsunami victims and were awarded the "Golden Rule Award" by the United Nations for services to Humanity. Toccatam has enthralled music lovers with music from every genre including - Gospel, Country, Pop, Rock & Opera. Don't miss a fantastic musical evening.

Responsorial Psalm:

Happy the man who has placed his trust in the Lord

The Word of God • How Happy!

What's so great about being poor, or hungry, or sad? On the surface, these Beatitudes of Jesus seem very strange: 'How happy are you who are poor'. Surely it is better to be wealthy, to be well fed, and to enjoy good times – or to at least be comfortable and content?

But Jesus is not interested in comfort, or in maintaining the status quo. The Jesus of Luke's Gospel is something of a revolutionary. He has come to turn the social order on its head: last becomes first and least becomes greatest. His concern is always for the poor and marginalised.

Jesus' vision is of a world where the unjust structures that cause poverty, hunger and oppression are swept away. Sadly, as we hear on the news every day, inequalities in our world with regard to wealth, education, health and opportunities remain as stark as ever. Speaking about how we can tackle injustice today, Pope Francis has offered six 'new Beatitudes' for the modern Christian. Like the teachings of Jesus, they remind us that the task of the Christian is to tackle injustice and to act in solidarity with those on the margins of society.

Pope Francis' 'new Beatitudes' include: Blessed are those who renounce their own comfort in order to help others. Blessed are those who look into the eyes of the abandoned and marginalised and show them their closeness. Blessed are those who protect and care for our common home.

Triona Doherty

*How happy are you who are poor;
Yours is the kingdom of God.*

Tobar Mhuire - Ash Wednesday Day of Prayer.

This annual day of prayer is dedicated to prisoners; their families, and those who care for them. Chapel open all day for Adoration followed by Prayer Service at 7pm . Talk by Fr. Ciaran Dallat (Prison Chaplain) at 7.30pm. All welcome. Also Wed 13th March, the first of our Lenten Talk Series: "The Beatitudes of Pope Francis" with Dr. Aidan Donaldson at 7.00pm. All welcome. Voluntary donation.

