



St. Anne's Parish

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20th September 2020

25th Sunday of the Year

W/end Masses: Saturday 5pm Vigil & 11am Sunday

Masses this week: Tues, Wed & Thurs 10am

YouTube –All our masses continue to be uploaded onto our parish YouTube channel.

Outside Speakers! – As our available seating inside the church is reduced due to social distancing, we have our mass relayed outside to the carpark. Communion will be distributed at the door of the church. Bring a chair, a cushion (we have some available!) or just sit in your car and listen!.....you will still be part of our parish celebration! All are welcome!

We Remember them

Recently Deceased: John Martin Donaldson.

Month's Mind: Eileen McNeill

Anniversary: Kathleen Lynch, Margaret & Brendan Sturgeon.

Parish Office: Opening Hours: 9am to 1pm Mon to Fri.

Parish WhatsApp Group – Keep up to date with what is happening in our parish communitytext your name and number to 07714691281 to be added to our WhatsApp group.

Bereavement Support Group: Have you suffered the pain of loss and bereavement? Talk in confidence – call 90610112 and a member of the Group will contact you.



Our Church is open!!
Tues, Wed and Thurs 10am -12pm

- Our church is open for public masses – this is possible because of our many **stewards and cleaners** - who help us all to stay safe when we come together as a faith community.
- **We would ask that all those attending St. Anne's to please wear masks/facecoverings.**

The **Obligation to attend mass is still suspended** and we would encourage our older parishioners and those who would feel more vulnerable, to come along to one of our weekday celebrations!

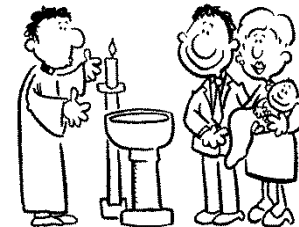
and celebrating the Sacraments – good news!

First Holy Communion

First Communion for children in St. Anne's PS will take place over the next few Saturdays at 11.00am.

Sat. 26th Sept. 2020 - Mr McCooe's class

Sat. 3rd Oct. 2020 - Mrs Cullen's class



Baptisms: We have resumed baptisms one at a time. Please email the parish office with your request for baptism and we will be in touch. Thank you for your patience at this difficult time.



Weddings: If you have had to re schedule a previously planned wedding, please email the parish office to update the arrangements.

St. Vincent de Paul

Due to the present circumstances we are unable to hold our usual collections after the weekend masses. Anyone wishing to donate can do so online:

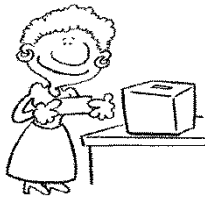
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 Thanking you for your generosity.



• **Your Giving**

This w/end - **Weekly Offering & Autumn Offering**

- We would recommend that you set up a **Standing Order**. Call the parish office on 028 90610112 and leave your details or email us on stannes@downandconnor.org



OR Donate online to St. Annes Parish
A/C No. 07707787 Sort Code 93 83 00

OR Envelopes – a collection box available at mass
 Your continued helpful generosity is much appreciated.

OR Use the **“Donate”** button on our home page

Prayer for Grandparents

Lord Jesus,
 help families and society to value the presence and roles of grandparents.
 May they never be ignored or excluded,
 but always encounter respect and love.
 Help them to live serenely and to feel welcomed
 in all the years of life you give them.

FACE COVERINGS IN CHURCHES

All Church leaders, are recommending and encouraging the use of face coverings at all Masses and other liturgical celebrations, along with the ongoing maintenance of 2 metre physical distancing.....

..... It should however be noted that some people are exempt from the wearing of face coverings, as outlined in public health agency guidance:

<https://www.nidirect.gov.uk/articles/coronavirus-covid-19-face-coverings>

It has become increasingly clear that the wearing of face coverings, in conjunction with hand washing etc, is likely to reduce the spread of Coronavirus, thus helping to protect others. The use of face coverings is therefore one way in which we can evidence protection for the most vulnerable, support for our health workers and practical love for our neighbour.

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Seeing your Life through the Lens of the Gospel

1. ‘I was there first’. Envy easily comes to the surface when faced with the good fortune of others, especially when compared to what seems less favourable treatment of ourselves. Can you recall that feeling in yourself and what it did to you? Can you also recall times when you were content with your lot, even though it seemed others had greater gifts, better opportunities, etc.
2. A parent or teacher who gives a lot of time to a difficult child does not love the others less, but if we are one of those other children we may not see that. Recall a ‘Jesus person’ in your life who helped you to overcome feelings of envy and helped you appreciate that the apparently more favourable treatment of another did not mean a lessening of love for you.
3. This leads us to the core message of this parable, namely, that God’s love is a free gift, and not earned. Recall moments when you were particularly conscious of the gifts that God has given you by counting all the blessings that you have, no matter how small.
4. ‘It is too late now’ are words sometimes uttered to justify doing nothing about a situation. This parable tells us that where love is involved, it is never too late. Can you recall times when you got a positive response after taking action when you thought it was ‘too late’? John Byrne OSA

Readings

FIRST READING

A reading from the book
of *Isaiah 55:6-9*.



Seek the Lord while he is still
to be found,
call to him while he is still
near.

Let the wicked man abandon
his way,
the evil man his thoughts.

Let him turn back to the Lord who will take pity on him,
to our God who is rich in forgiving;
for my thoughts are not your thoughts,
my ways not your ways – it is the Lord who speaks.
Yes, the heavens are as high above earth
as my ways are above your ways,
my thoughts above your thoughts.

Responsorial Psalm *Ps 144:2-3.8-9. 17-18. Rv 18*

Response *The Lord is close to all who call him.*

1. I will bless you day after day
and praise your name for ever.
The Lord is great, highly to be praised,
his greatness cannot be measured. *Response*

2. The Lord is kind and full of compassion,
slow to anger, abounding in love.
How good is the Lord to all,
compassionate to all his creatures. *Response*

3. The Lord is just in all his ways
and loving in all his deeds.
He is close to all who call him,
who call on him from their hearts.

Response

SECOND READING

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Philippians 1:20-24.27



Christ will be glorified in my
body, whether by my life or by
my death.

Life to me, of course, is Christ,
but then death would bring me
something more; but then
again, if living in this body
means doing work which is
having good results- I do not
know what I should choose. I
am caught in this dilemma: I

want to be gone and be with Christ, which would be very much the
better, but for me to stay alive in this body is a more urgent need for
your sake.

Avoid anything in your everyday lives that would be unworthy of the
gospel of Christ.

Gospel Acclamation *Lk 19: 38*

Alleluia, alleluia!

Blessings on the King who comes, in the name of the Lord!

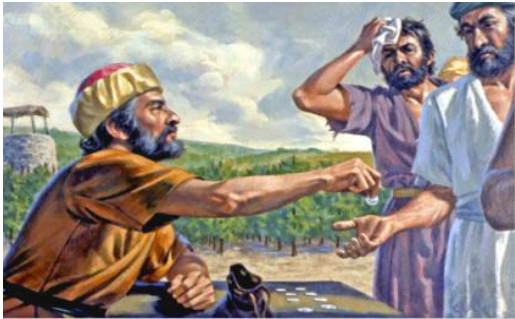
Peace in heaven and glory in the highest heavens!

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew 20:1-16

Jesus said to his disciples: The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner going out at daybreak to hire workers for his vineyard. He made an agreement with the workers for one denarius a day, and sent them to his vineyard. Going out at about the third hour he saw others standing idle in the market place and said to them, "You go to my vineyard too and I will give you a fair wage". So they went. At about the sixth hour and again at about the ninth hour, he went out and did the same. Then at about the eleventh hour he went out and found more men standing round, and he said to them, "Why have you been standing here idle all day?" "Because no one has hired us" they answered. He said to them, "You go into my vineyard too".



In the evening, the owner of the vineyard said to his bailiff, "Call the workers and pay them their wages, starting with the last arrivals and ending with the first". So those who were hired at about the eleventh hour came forward and received one denarius each.

When the first came, they

expected to get more, but they too received one denarius each. They took it, but grumbled at the landowner. "The men who came last" they said "have done only one hour, and you have treated them the same as us, though we have done a heavy day's work in all the heat." He answered one of them and said, "My friend, I am not being unjust to you; did we not agree on one denarius? Take your earnings and go. I choose to pay the last comer as much as I pay you. Have I no right to do what I like with my own? Why be envious because I am generous?" Thus the last will be first, and the first, last.'

Preparation for Sacrament of Reconciliation and First Holy Communion

The *Catechetics Council of the Irish Bishops Conference* have produced a series of resources which would be very useful in the preparation of children for First Holy Communion. They consist of three movie episodes (30mins each) with an accompanying worksheet.

Lesson 1: Preparing to Celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation

Lesson 2: Parts of the Mass

Lesson 3: Receiving Holy Communion

These series of resources could be used by parents, schools or parishes in preparing children for First Holy Communion and could form the foundation for a short refresher programme for children who will be making their First Holy Communion over the next few weeks.

All episodes and resources are available on the Diocesan Website and our parish website www.saintannesparish.net



3 minute
RETREAT

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- **3-Minute Retreats** invite you to take a short prayer break right at your computer. Spend some quiet time reflecting on a Scripture passage.

Knowing that not everyone prays at the same pace, you have control over the pace of the retreat. After each screen, a Continue button will appear. Click it when you are ready to move on. If you are new to online prayer, the basic timing of the screens will guide you through the experience.

- **Sacred Space app**

The Sacred Space daily prayer is available on [Apple/iOS](#) and [Android/Google Play](#) devices - you can click on the links to install the app on your device. The site is also responsive and accessible on handheld devices.

<https://itunes.apple.com/us/app/sacred-space-daily-prayer/id1050192048?ls=1&mt=8>

<https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.gmail.techadmin.SSapp>

- **Pray As You Go**

- This is a daily prayer session, designed to go with you wherever you go, to help you pray whenever you find time, but particularly whilst travelling to and from work, study, etc.
- A new prayer session is produced every day of the week and one session for the weekend. It is not a 'Thought for the Day', a sermon or a bible-study, but rather a framework for your own prayer.
- Lasting between ten and thirteen minutes, it combines music, scripture and some questions for reflection. Our aim is to help you to:
 - become more aware of God's presence in your life
 - listen to and reflect on God's word
 - grow in your relationship with God

<https://pray-as-you-go.org/>

Sunday 20 September 2020
Matthew 20:1-16
25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

LOOK

My name is _____

IN THE GOSPEL TODAY

Jesus tells a story about a man who owns a vineyard, where he grows many grapes. He invites people to work in the vineyard and promises to pay them. The first group of workers agree to work all day but other workers are hired much later in the day for a much shorter time. At the end of the day the owner is generous and pays everyone the same.

BE GENEROUS

Crossword

1. Who was generous? **WORKERS**

2. Who got paid the same amount of money? **EVERYONE**

3. Who worked all day? **WAGES**

4. What were they paid? **OWNER**

Acts of kindness

Circle George when he is being kind.

Maze

Help the workers find their way to the vineyard

Riddle

Find an important word!

The first missing letter is **GO** in **GO** but not in **SO**

The second is in **SEA** but not in **ASK**

The third is in **ONE** but not in **TOE**

The fourth is in **EAR** but not in **CAR**

The fifth is in **RED** but not in **BED**

The sixth is in **POT** but not in **PUT**

The seventh is in **CUT** but not in **COT**

The eighth is in **SUN** but not in **BUN**

A PRAYER TO SAY

Dear Jesus, help me to be kind and generous. Amen.

Answers: Riddle: 1 Owner, 2 Everyone, 3 Workers, 4 Wages

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