

## **Fourth Sunday of Advent Year A 22nd December 2019**

### **Parish of Derrriaghy**

*(a parish within the Derrriaghy-Colin Pastoral Community)*

Fr. Brian McCann Administrator of Derrriaghy Parish

Parish Priest of Saint Luke's, Twinbrook

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Permanent Deacon: Reverend Kevin Webb

#### ***Confessions:***

Saturday 5.15-5.45pm

#### ***Baptisms:***

First Sunday of Month at 1.00pm

Celebrant: Deacon Kevin Webb

Please contact the Parish Office to  
book preparation course and baptism

#### ***Funerals:***

By Arrangement

Contact parish office or Fr. Brian

#### ***Marriages:***

By Arrangement.

Six months' notice must be given

Please contact Parish Office or Fr. Brian

#### **Contacting a Priest in an Emergency**

Contact the Parish Office on 02892 660073

or Father Brian on 02890 619459

#### ***Parish Office Hours***

**Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 9.00am-12noon**

**Derrriaghy Parish Pastoral Council**

**Contact: [email-derrriaghyppc@downandconnor.org](mailto:email-derrriaghyppc@downandconnor.org)**

**Website: [www.derrriaghy catholicparish.org](http://www.derrriaghy catholicparish.org)**

## MASSES THIS WEEK IN THE PASTORAL COMMUNITY

Time tables for Monday as per normal Tuesday morning--no Mass in St. Colman's at 9.30am Tuesday morning no Mass in Saint Luke's at 10am

**St. Patrick's Communion Services on Thursdays have now ended for the Christmas Season and will resume on Thursday January 9<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm**

**Eucharistic Adoration:** will resume on Wednesday the 8<sup>th</sup> of January after 9:30 Mass

**Parish Collections last week: Weekly offering £667.00 Loose Plate £205.00**

**The Christmas Voluntary Collection in support of the priests of the diocese will be taken up at Masses on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day.**

**CONFESSIONS ON CHRISTMAS EVE** Saint Colman's 11am to 12noon  
Saint Luke's 12noon to 1pm.

**PARISH OFFICE** The Parish Office will close on Monday 23rd December at 12noon and re-open on Monday 6th January at 9am For emergencies telephone 028 90619459'

*Counters this week: Team 4*

**We pray for our beloved dead: May they rest in peace.**

**Recently Deceased**

**Anniversaries:**

Gregory Fox, Patricia Campbell, Paddy Doherty,  
Marion Cusack, James & Peggy McKee, Alex McAttackney  
Eddie McWilliams, Peter Ford, Rose McCorry, Tony Gygax, Peter Kelly

**Parish Bethany Support Group:** providing a listening ear to the bereaved. Drop- in facility in parish centre lounge Centre last Thursday of each month 7:00 -8:00pm. Home visits can also be arranged. Contact 07555194939.

**Holy Father's Intentions For This Month** During the month of December, the Holy Father, Pope Francis asks us to join him in prayer for the following intention: That every country take the measures necessary to prioritize the future of the very young, especially those who are suffering.

**Preparation for the Sacrament of First Penance, First Eucharist and Confirmation** for those children who do not attend either a Catholic or Integrated Primary School has now commenced in the Parish. Parents wanting their children prepared for the Sacraments should contact the Parish Office as soon as possible particularly before the end of January. Parish Office Tel: 02892660073

**St. Colm's High School Open Night Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> January at 7pm** Primary 6 and 7 pupils and parents most welcome. Enquiries for Post 16 courses welcome.

**Rathmore Grammar School Open Day Saturday 18 January 2020**  
9.30 am to 1.00 pm. Address by Principal at 9.30 am and 11.15 am

**Forthcoming Carol Service Sunday 22nd December 4pm** Saint Peter's Cathedral Carol Service with the Schola Cantorum and Parish Primary School Choirs.

**Aquinas Diocesan Grammar School Open Morning Saturday 11 January 2020** Principal's Keynote speech 9.30am and 11.30am. All Welcome

**News Items** for more news please visit our website. [www.derriaghycatholicparish.org](http://www.derriaghycatholicparish.org)

**Masses in the Derriaghy-Colin  
Pastoral Community for Christmas**

**Christmas Eve**

Saint Colman's 7pm & 10pm  
Saint Patrick's, Barnfield Road 9pm & 11pm (*Irish*)  
Saint Luke's 7pm & 11pm  
Christ the Redeemer 7 pm & 9pm  
Nativity 7pm  
Our Lady Queen of Peace 7pm & 10pm  
Saint Anne's 7pm & 9pm

**Christmas Day**

Saint Colman's 10.30am  
Saint Luke's 10.30am  
Christ the Redeemer 11.30am  
Nativity 10am  
Our Lady Queen of Peace 11.30am  
Saint Anne's 11am

**Thursday 26th December**

Nativity 6.30pm                      Saint Colman's 6.30pm  
Friday 27th December  
Christ the Redeemer 6.30pm              Our Lady Queen of Peace 6.30pm

***All Saturday Vigils/Sunday Masses as usual***

**Monday 30th December**

Saint Luke's 10am                      Saint Colman's 11am  
Tuesday 31st December  
Christ the Redeemer 10am                      Our Lady Queen of Peace 11am  
Wednesday 1st January  
Nativity 10am      Saint Anne's 12noon  
Thursday 2nd January  
Saint Anne's 10am                      Nativity 11am  
Friday 3rd January  
Saint Luke's 10am                      Christ the Redeemer 11:00pm

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**Monday 6th January**

Feast of the Epiphany -a holyday of obligation-  
Saint Luke's 10am  
Nativity 10am  
Christ the Redeemer 10am  
Saint Anne's 10am  
Saint Colman's 6.30pm  
**Our Lady Queen of Peace 6.30pm**  
Saint Luke's 6.30pm

***Normal timetable resumes on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> January***

**CHRISTMAS GREETINGS** In a few days time, we will begin our celebration of the Christmas season. Father Brian and Deacon Kevin wish the parishioners of Derriaghy every blessing this Christmas as we celebrate the birth of Christ, the Word Made Flesh. We assure you of our prayers, families, young and older. Thanks to those who offer their time and energy in the service of the parish, in so many and varied ways. A particular prayer is offered for the sick and housebound, the lonely and the bereaved; may the celebration of Christmas help to dispel the darkness and may we ever remember that Christ Jesus, is Emmanuel, the God with us. Finally, a word of welcome home to those who have returned to be with their families this Christmas.

**St. Patrick's Academy Ballinderry Road, Lisburn open night Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> January.** Principal Address at 7:30pm.

**Fatima Pilgrimage** 10 September 2020 Accompanied by Spiritual Director. £719 per person sharing £100 off, if paid in full by 8 January 2020  
For further details contact Anne 02892670152 or Mona 07880714113

**Healthcare Visitor Training.** Are you a lay person who might be interested in healthcare visitation either within your local parish context or within a chaplaincy context? Are you a lay person who visits healthcare facilities as part of your church responsibilities? Do you sometimes feel unsure what to do, what to say or how to react to the different pastoral situations you meet or could meet in a healthcare setting? Please consider attending training for healthcare visitors: Venue: Edgehill House, 9 Lennoxvale, Belfast BT9 5BY; Dates: Thursday 23rd to Thursday 19th March 2020, 7-9pm. Fee: £75. Contact Parish Office for details.

The **Living Church Office** will host the **second of three** Development Days for leaders of Children's Liturgy of the Word on, **Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> of January**, here in our offices at, **120, Cliftonville Road, Belfast BT14 6LA**. The day will commence at **9.30am** and finish at **3.30pm**. Development Days are designed to nourish, support, and resource, all those involved in leading Children's Liturgy of the Word in their parish. Due to the popularity of these days, early registration is advised. As usual, there will be time for prayer, input, discussion and activities. There is no charge for the day and lunch and all necessary resources will be provided. To book your place, please contact Caren at [c.collins@downandconnor.org](mailto:c.collins@downandconnor.org) or ring the **Living Church Office** on **02890690920**

**Anam Cara Belfast**, the organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding its monthly Parent Evening for bereaved parents on Wednesday 8th January at 7:20pm in the Crowne Plaza Hotel, Belfast, BT8 7XP. This event is free and open to all bereaved parents regardless of the age your child died, the circumstances of their death, or whether their death was recent or not.

**Dominican College Fortwilliam Open Day is on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> January 2020** from 9.30am to 1.00pm (Principal's address 9.30am and 11.00am).  
All prospective pupils are most welcome

