



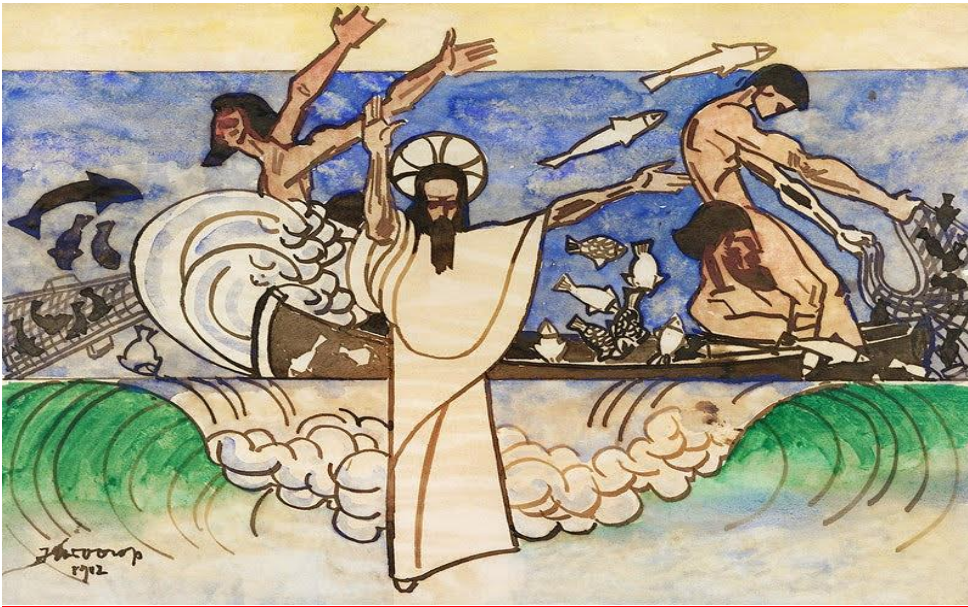
St. Anne's Parish

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5th Sunday in Ordinary Time



This Week in St. Anne's

Sunday Mass: 5pm Vigil & 11am

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

Confessions: Sat 4.30pm

Adoration: Wednesday 10.30am to 1pm

Parish Office: Mon to Fri 9am to 1pm

Parish WhatsApp Group – Receive a daily prayer aid, the weekly bulletin and 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 £630**
Loose £261.50
Monthly Offering **£666**

Set up a **Standing Order**. You can download the forms from our website...or **Donate Online** to St. Anne's Parish
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We Remember Them

Recently Deceased: Canon Noel Conway, Fr. Brendan Smyth, Audrey Treacy, Yvonne Murphy, Tommy Carlin (Derry).

Anniversary: Raymond Geary, Brendan Horisk, Sarah Cooper.

Foodbank: The collection box is outside the church each day from 10am to 4pm. Thank you for your continuous support.

Down & Connor Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2025: Celebrating the Jubilee Year and our 40th Annual Diocesan Pilgrimage: 9/10 – 15th/16th July. 5 & 7 Night options available. Please visit www.downandconnor.org/lourdes for more information or call the Pilgrimage Office on (028) 9077 0162 or email lourdes@downandconnor.org Youth Team (9-16th July): applications now open (see parish website for details)

Coming Soon – Sacrament of Confirmation – Thurs 20th Feb.

THE WEST BELFAST HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The next meeting will take place on Friday the 14th of February at 7.30pm in St. Michael's Parish Centre on Finaghy Road North. The talk is entitled: "FRIAR'S BUSH AND WHO IS BURIED THERE" The guest speaker will be Mr Mark Doherty.

Seeing Your Life Through The Lens of The Gospel

- Jesus invites Peter to put out the net again, and Peter does so though he thinks it pointless. When have you felt it was pointless to stick with a task, but did so nonetheless and been surprised by results? We never know when our efforts are going to bear fruit.
- 'Push out into the deep' The invitation is to go out into unfamiliar waters, where we are not sure what will happen, where we feel uneasy, and our safety is not assured. When have you responded positively to that kind of an invitation and got positive results you did not expect?
- The story gives us a glimpse of what prepared the disciples to follow Jesus. They were helped by the compassion and concern of Jesus (cured Peter's mother-in-law); attracted by his work and teaching; and witnessed the power of God at work through him. This led them to 'leave everything and follow him'. Who, or what, influenced you in making key decisions in your life? Who was Jesus for you in those situations?

Thought for the Day

Instead of running after superficial satisfactions and playing a role for the benefit of others, we would do better to think about the really important questions in life. Who am I, really? What am I looking for? What direction do I want to give to my life, my decisions and my actions? Why and for what purpose am I in this world? How do I want to look back on my life once it ends? What

meaning do I want to give to all my experiences? Who do I want to be for others? Who am I for God? All these questions lead us back to the heart.

Pope Francis, *Dilexit Nos*,
On the Human and Divine Love of the Heart of Jesus Christ

Prayer for St Valentine's Day • 14 February

Saint Valentine,
true servant who shed his blood
in defence of the sacraments and faith in Jesus Christ,
intercede for us today, we pray.

Gain for us the strength to be steadfast like you
in witnessing to the true faith to the end of our days,
and help us never to lose hope in the Lord
who is always near us.

Intercede for those men and women who are preparing for
marriage:

help them to know one another and the true meaning
of the sacramental bond they are preparing to enter.

Intercede for those who are joined together
in the sacrament of marriage,
that they may never give up when trials come their way
but may remain faithful to each other,
and to the Lord who blessed their union.

May your love for the Lord be an inspiration for
our love for each other, for the love between husband and
wife,
and for the love and charity we extend to all whom we meet.
Amen.

Courtesy Whitefriar St Church, Dublin