

### St. Anthony's Parish, Belfast

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#### MASSES:

Sunday Morning: (in Polish): 9am, & 6:30pm. (English Parish Mass): 11.30am Weekdays:

Mon, Tues & Thurs at 9.30am. Fri 9:30am.

(Nov, Dec & Jan at 9:30am).

PLEASE NOTE then that from November Fri Mass is at 9:30am

All English Masses on Facebook.

<u>Polish Weekday Masses:</u>

Tues & Thurs 7pm, Sat 9am

**Confessions**: By Arrangement. **Baptisms**: By Appointment

St Bernadette's SVP Conference. If you require assistance, please telephone SVP Regional Office at 028 90351561. Donate locally at www.svpni.co.uk

#### **Parish Collections**



Many thanks for your support. If you require envelopes, or if your address details have changed please contact Fr McCann

Weekly £549.66
Monthly Stipend £173.38
Dona Digital £56
DONATE (website)£

**Privacy Policy**. The Parish of St Anthony's is part of the Diocese of Down and Connor and operates in accordance with the Diocesan Privacy Notice, copies of which are available on request.

Parish Safeguarding. Can you please ensure that all Children and Vulnerable Adults are accompanied at all times when entering the Sacristy / Toilet facilities. If you have any queries regarding the Safeguarding Policy please contact a member of the Parish Safeguarding Committee. Thanks. Fr Henry McCann PP.

# FEAST OF THE DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA

WE REMEMBER OUR DECEASED LOVED-ONES Recently Deceased: Betty Bonnar, Noel O'Neill (father of Fr Eugene), Joan Ejialode Uhomoibhi (mother of newly ordained deacon James)

Anniversaries: Catherine Patricia Lord, Patsy Mackin, Michael & Sarah Guinness, James Curran, James Murray (Mon 17<sup>th</sup> Nov), Sally Watson (Sun 30<sup>th</sup> Nov)

#### **FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK**

Mon 10<sup>th</sup>: St Leo the Great, pope & doctor Tue 11<sup>th</sup>: St Martin of Tours, bishop Wed 12<sup>th</sup>: St Josaphat, bishop & martyr Fri 14<sup>th</sup>: St Laurence O'Toole, bishop

Sat 15th: St Albert the Great, bishop & doctor

**Involvement in Parish Life**. A couple of years ago we asked parishioners to record interest to volunteer in various roles within parish life. We would like to update this information given new members of the parish. Forms are available in the porch. Returns can be placed in the collection basket.

Parish Pastoral Council. The current Parish Pastoral Council was commissioned in 2018, for a period of 4 years, but because of the Covid Pandemic, it continued for another term. Each parish is highly encouraged to have a Pastoral Council in place, consisting of elected and appointed members.

New members of the council have been approached, and the new Council will be undergoing training in the next few weeks. Many thanks to all who have worked on or will be working on the Council. Parishioners will be encouraged to support the work of the Council with their own volunteering. May God bless the work.

Polish Community Association Belfast. We cordially invite you to the festive celebrations. The National Independence Day of the Republic of Poland, which will be held on Sunday, November 9, 2025, at 9.00am in the morning. The celebration will begin with a Holy Mass presided by His Excellency Bishop Alan McGuckian SJ. Invited Guests: Consulate of the Republic of Poland in Belfast, Gregory Sala, Honorary Consul of Northern Ireland, Jerome Mullen. Parish Priest of St. Parish Anthony's, Fr Henry McCann. The Holy Mass will be held in St. Anthony's Church, Woodstock Road, Belfast, BT6 8HP. We cordially invite you after the Mass to celebrate together and meet with the Polish Community at St Vincent's Centre, 6 Willowfield Drive, Belfast, BT6 8HN.

#### Diocesan Job Vacancies.

Assistant Housekeeper for the Bishop's residence and Curia Offices, at Somerton Road, Belfast.

<u>Parish & Vocations Support Officer</u>, reporting to Fr Conor McGrath within St Colmcille's Parish, Belfast.

The vacancies are posted in the Diocese of Down & Connor website, <a href="www.downandconnor.org">www.downandconnor.org</a>, and NIJobs. com, with the application packs available from the Diocesan Website under the tab "job vacancies". The job ads close at 12 noon on Monday 10th November 2025.

#### Trócaire:

Christmas Gifts of Change. Could you help share the true spirit of Christmas in your parish? Trócaire are appealing for volunteers to help sell their Gifts of Change to help make a real difference to families living in poverty around the world. For more information, please see the video below... Trócaire's Gifts of Change on "Vimeo"

Mass for deceased benefactors. Each November, Trócaire holds a Remembrance Mass in Maynooth and Belfast for our deceased supporters and friends. It is a wonderful opportunity to remember those who are part of the Trócaire family, and who are no longer with us today. We invite you to join us in person or online: Belfast: 1pm, Thursday 13th November, St Mary's Church, 2-4 Chapel Lane, Belfast, BT1 1HH. Celebrant: Fr Tim Bartlett. You can also join us online at <a href="http://www.stmarysbelfast.org/webcam/">http://www.stmarysbelfast.org/webcam/</a>

**Maynooth**: 10am Thursday 20th November, St Mary's Church, Moyglare Road, Maynooth, Co Kildare. Celebrant: Fr. Tom Dalzell. You can also join us online at https://maynoothparish.org/webcam-2/

**Schools Volunteers Notice.** Are you a retired teacher or someone who has experience presenting to groups of school children? Trocaire is looking for

Abide in His Love Women's Conference Nov 21-23. A few tickets remaining! The Great Northern Hotel, Bundoran Co. Donegal. A beautiful event for women exploring the beauty & gift of their feminine identity in Christ. Guest Speakers include Sr. Mary Madeline Todd OP (USA), Megan Madden from 'A Mother's Lace' (USA/UK), Fr. Barry Braum, Fr. Mark Wharton (UK), Fr. Francesco Mary Gavazzi, CFR, the Nashville Dominican sisters, & Mass with Archbishop Eamon Martin. Check Eventbrite for tickets & more information

**Catholic Mothers Ireland, Retreat Day**. Join us for a day of Spiritual Restoration, the Parish Hall at St Joseph's, Antrim on Sat 29<sup>th</sup> November 2025. An All Day Retreat from 10am - 6pm. Email <u>catholicmothers@outlook.ie</u>

**Recharge** is a young adult group based in St Colmcille's Church in East Belfast for 18 to 35 year olds. We meet twice a month to "recharge" our spiritual batteries through prayer, intellectual formation and friendship. All are welcome! Dates for your diary for November:

Tuesday 18th November @ 7:30pm: Group Study - Growing in Prayer. Followed by social.

**Stay**. Could you become a supported lodgings/STAY host? Supported lodgings/STAY hosts provide safe and secure accommodation to care-experienced young people aged 16-21, and offer them practical and emotional support to guide them towards independent living. Hosts benefit from training and development opportunities, ongoing support and financial assistance. Find out more:

- · Call 0800 0720 137
- www.adoptionandfostercare.hscni.net
- Watch our video:

https://youtu.be/ZoWP3zuvU8U?si=n-NmaGF092xm0fS

Mass of Hope, for Suicide Awareness & Support Group, Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> November 2025, 3pm, Clonard Monastery. All families bereaved, and all denominations welcome. 209 Falls Road, Belfast. Contact m.walker@suicideawareness.co.uk, 028 90239967

**Anam Cara** the organisation that supports bereaved parents, will hold its monthly Parent Support Evening on Monday 10th November at 7.30pm in the Crowne Plaza, Shaws Bridge, Belfast. This event is free and open

to all bereaved parents regardless of the age your child died, the circumstances of their death, or how recent their death was. You do not need to register in advance. We also offer an online support group meeting. To find out more call 01 4045378 or email info@anamcara.ie

## Annual Masses for the Deceased Teachers of Down and Connor will be celebrated on:

Tues 11th November 2025 at 7.30pm in Good Shepherd Church, Ormeau Road, Belfast AND Thurs 13th November 2025 at 7.30pm in All Saints' Church, Broughshane Road, Ballymena. Please forward by Friday 7th November 2025 the name and school of any teacher who died during the past twelve months to: Rev Colin Grant, Director of the Down and Connor Catholic Schools' Support Service, 120 Cliftonville Road, Belfast BT14 6LA. Tel:02890491886 or Email: dctrusteeservice@downandconnor.org

(Light refreshments will be served afterwards in Holy Rosary Parish Centre <u>and All Saints' Parish Centre</u>). Anyone unable to attend can join in online at: <u>www.holyrosaryparishbelfast.netfor the Belfast Mass and www.youtube.com/@allsaintsballymena/streams</u> for the Mass in Ballymena.

Masses for November - November Dead Lists are available in the church porch. Write names of deceased, place in envelope, place in black box on the sanctuary. Donations optional. Lists will be placed on the altar during Masses in November and the names thereon will be remembered in the the mass intentions.

ACN Ireland's Week of Witness takes place from November 15–November 23 with Red Wednesday falling on November 19. It is our earnest hope that as many parishes as possible will be able to mark this important week that is a concrete sign of our solidarity with the suffering Church.

Christ Our Anchor: Writings by James O'Kane, Priest and Theologian, ed. Fiona Lynch, with a Foreword by Bishop Alan McGuckian (Shanway Press, 2025). The unpublished sermons and some lectures of the late Very Rev James O'Kane, RIP, former Professor at St Patrick's College, Maynooth and Pastor Emeritus, have been collated in a new publication entitled "Christ Our Anchor" which is now available from Shanway Press. To order please go to: <a href="www.shanway.com">www.shanway.com</a> Tel: <a href="mailto:028">028</a> 9022 2070 Email: <a href="mailto:info@shanway.com">info@shanway.com</a>. RRP: £12.99

The West Belfast Historical Society. The November meeting will take place on Friday the 14th of November at 7.30pm in St. Michael's Parish Centre, Finaghy Road North (Access via Church Gateway on Finaghy Road North, just past the garage opposite the Church at the junction with Andersonstown Road). The November talk is entitled: "FACTS & FIGURES OF THE BELFAST POGROM'S". The guest speaker will be Mr. JIMMY MCDERMOTT. Refreshments will be provided.