



St. Anthony's Parish, Belfast

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PUBLIC MASS TIMES IN THE COVID-19 ERA

(will be under assessment and review)

Saturday Evening at 6.30pm. (English Parish Mass)

Sunday Morning (in Polish): 9am, & 7pm. (English Parish Mass): 11.30am

Weekdays: Tues & Thurs at 9.30am. Fri at 7.00pm. **All Public English Masses on Facebook.**

Polish Weekday Masses: Tues & Thurs 7pm

Private Mass (on Facebook Mon 9:30am) Confessions: By Arrangement. **Baptisms:** By Appointment



20TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

Then Jesus said to her in reply, "O woman, great is your faith!"

*Nothing can hold back the brave woman from Canaah.
Not religious boundaries, not gender rules, nothing, when
she told him the needs of her precious child.*

*Dear Lord, give us faith like this unswerving woman.
Make us stubborn. Fearless. Bold, creative. Whatever it takes.*

*Let us hear, "O, great is your faith.
Let it be done for you as you wish"*

Anne Osdieck

WE REMEMBER OUR DECEASED LOVED-ONES

Recently Deceased: Arthur Matthews, John Ferguson, Marie Therese Richards (Mullan Mews), Joseph Crawford (father of Paula McKeown, director of Living Church),

Anniversaries: Loretta Murray, Dan Gallagher, Fr Dan Meenagh, Vincent Crilly (Sat 15th August at 6:30pm), Phil Green (Sun 16th Aug at 11:30am), Brenda Gunn (Sun 23rd Aug at 11:30am), Kathleen & Laverty (Sun 20th Aug at 11:30am),

Any further inclusions for Anniversaries in the parish Bulletin can be made via 07740 603643 or stanthonys@downandconnor.org

COLLECTIONS: New boxes of envelopes are available
Last Weekend's collections: Weekly Collection £504.10,
DONATE £90

IN THE MEANTIME the diocese has set up a DONATE button for each parish, where you may wish to donate using a credit/debit card. See link at www.saintanthony.co.uk

Use of Standing Orders for Collections The diocese has given information for parishioners to use Standing Orders for Monthly Stipend, Weekly Collections and Diocesan and Non-Diocesan collections. If this interests you then contact Fr Henry 07740 603643

Diocesan Masses and Services A list of webcams can be found on our Diocesan Website: www.downandconnor.org and click on Parish Webcams in the menu, or on **Parish of St Anthony, Belfast** Facebook page for Live broadcasting of Mass.

Volunteers In order that the church can be opened, a list of volunteers are needed to act as stewards and to help clean after each mass, otherwise the church cannot be opened for public mass. A number of volunteers have agreed to be involved in the support of opening. If anyone else is interested, please contact Fr McCann at h.mccann@downandconnor.org

Times of Masses at St Anthony's Church: The public Mass times for Weekend and Weekday are: **English: Sat vigil 6:30pm, Sun 11:30am, Tues & Thurs 9:30am, Friday 7pm (Facebook Live)** **Polish: Sun 9am & 7pm, Tues & Thurs 7pm.**
Mon Mass in English at 9:30am will still be celebrated in private (also broadcast on Facebook).

Some General Points of Guidance for attending Masses in the Church:

Before leaving the house please consider

- 1) Are you unwell? Do not come to Mass if you are displaying one or more symptoms of Coronavirus Covid-19, i.e. a new persistent cough, or a temperature, or loss of you sense of taste or smell
- 2) Are you able to attend Mass on the weekday instead? The obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days is still suspended. We would encourage those people who are available to attend Mass during the weekday to join with us on the Facebook Page and leave space for those who can only come to a public Mass at the weekend.
- 3) People will be admitted to the church on a first come first served basis. There are 68 spaces for family, couple or single parishioner. Once the church is full we will close the doors.
- 4) The toilets will only be available in an emergency basis.
- 5) Please follow the guidance of the Stewards.
- 6) Please remain seated throughout the service
- 7) Use the hand gel sanitiser and guide you to where you will be seated.. There are other foot-powered alcohol hand gel dispensers available throughout the church, which we advise you to make ample use of.
- 8) We ask you not to join in the singing of hymns, a cantor may lead music and singing. Following the direction of the Stewards please come forward to Holy Communion, which should be received on the hand. If you are not mobile, please let steward know and Holy Communion can be brought down to you. and.
- 9) If you develop any of the symptoms, you will be asked by stewards to follow them into the front porch for isolation.

Keeping Safe during Mass. In line with PHA guidelines and the NI Executive the Diocese has recommended that you should use face coverings in particular, in enclosed spaces. Therefore we advise wearing masks in the church while attending Mass.

Protecting All We would respectfully ask that if you have attended Mass at the Church and have been diagnosed as having Covid-19 afterwards, could you please advise the date and time of your attendance to the Parish Office to allow safety protocols to be instigated to protect our community. Thank you for your understanding.

Confessions: The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available by appointment only and socially distanced within the Church building. Please contact Fr McCann 07740603643 if needed.

Growth in Prayer & Reflective Living course After the success of last year's event, this course is being offered via Zoom (online) initially and eventually, in-house Drumalis when it re-opens. The course is for one year and starts 14th of September 2020. For more detail please contact: 028 282 76455/72196 during office hours 9am-5pm or email maura@drumalis.co.uk

The Priory Institute 'Theology, Spirituality and Religious Experience' starting on August 10. The course consists of 10 online lectures by Fr Pat Collins C.M. given over two weeks. Participants can interact on our e-learning platform and there will be a streamed question and answer session following the final lecture. No previous knowledge of the theology is required. Cost: €80, €60 for current students. More information +353 1 404 8124, enquiries@prioryinstitute.com, www.prioryinstitute.com.

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. Many Thanks. Fr Henry McCann PP.