



Celebrating the Liturgy

Mass Times

Vigil Mass: Saturday 6 pm
Sunday
9 am; 10.30 am; 12 noon

Weekday Masses

Mon to Fri: 9.30 am Sat: 12 noon

Evening Masses

Monday, Wednesday & Friday 7 pm

Reconciliation

Friday 6.30 pm – 6.55 pm

Saturday Confessions

12.30 pm – 1 pm
5.30 pm – 5.55 pm

Eucharistic Adoration

Monday 7.30- 8 pm
Friday 10 am – 12 noon

Marriages

6 months notice required.
Please contact Fr O'Donnell

Parish Baptisms

1st & 3rd Sundays of the month at 2 pm

One month's notice required. Please contact the Parish Office.

BULLETIN NOTICES

Notices for the bulletin must be with the Parish Office by **12 noon on Wednesday** to be included in the weekend bulletin. Thank you.

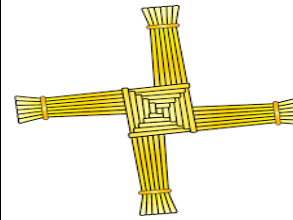
PARISH OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Weekly Collection 4th November £6,576.70

Monthly Collection 4th November £3995.84

World Mission Sunday Collection 21st October £2,691

Thank you for your continued support.



Saint Brigid's Parish

Pastoral Community of South and East Belfast

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32nd SUNDAY OF THE YEAR – PRISONERS' SUNDAY, Year B

11th November 2018 Psalter Week 4

First Reading: *Book of Kings 1 Kings 17:10-16*
The widow made a little scone from her meal and brought it to Elijah.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 145:7-10

R/. My soul, give praise to the Lord

Second Reading: *Letter to the Hebrews Heb 9:24-28*

Christ offers himself only once to take the faults of many on himself.

Gospel: Gospel according to Mark *Mk 12:38-44*

This poor widow has put in more than all.

Please pray for the happy repose of the souls of:

Kathleen Kearns and **Olivia Finnegan** who died recently; *Deirdre Mooney* whose Month's Mind occurs around this time; *Archie McFerran, Noel Eastwood, Teresa Wilson, Ann Murray, Jack and Grace Whiteman and Joseph Caher* whose anniversaries are at this time.

May they rest in peace.

Please pray for the parents and family of Baby Joe McDowell, whose Anniversary is at this time.

REMEMBRANCE MASSES FOR THE DECEASED IN NOVEMBER

During November, Masses will be offered for those whose names are included in the November lists of the dead. Envelopes and lists are available in the porch. Please leave completed envelopes in the safe box provided – all envelopes are opened and gratefully acknowledged.

VOLUNTEERS (who are not the leaders) working in CHILDREN'S LITURGY, G.I.F.T., The ASHLEIGH GROUP, YOUTH FAITH, YOUTH ALPHA, (Parents and Toddlers Group)

A new **90-Minute Diocesan Child Safeguarding Session** will be held in **ST BRIDE'S HALL** on **Tuesday 13th November at 7.30 pm**. (Please note change to original start time: now 7.30 pm.). It is applicable to new and prospective volunteers. It is also appropriate for existing volunteers, as it is an updated programme, and of particular interest to those who were trained some time ago. Please book a place by contacting the Parish Office, by email or phone (details on the front of this bulletin).

Thank you. The Parish Safeguarding Committee.

SHORT BOOK CLUB

Our next meeting will be after morning Mass on **Wednesday 21 November** in **St Bride's Hall**. The book we have chosen is **'The Power and the Glory'** by Graham Greene. Come along and bring a friend.

ADVENT PRAYER

The season of Advent runs for 4 weeks and offer us all an opportunity to pray our way to Christmas. For Advent 2018, the Living Church Office are offering a training night for those interested in delivering a weekly Advent prayer session in their parish. The training will cover the content of each of the 4 sessions as well as guidance on how to deliver the sessions. Each participant will get a PowerPoint presentation and handouts for each of the 4 sessions. The topics of the 4 sessions we will cover are:

Advent Week 1- Stay Awake; Advent Week 2- The Wilderness; Advent Week 3 – Joy; Advent Week 4- Saying Yes to God

The is **14th November from 6.30pm-9pm in the Good Shepherd Centre, 511 Ormeau Road, Belfast, BT7 3GS** and is **free of charge**. There will be refreshments on arrival at 6.30pm with our work beginning at **7 pm**. Places will be limited to those people who commit to running the programme in their parish or pastoral community and who have contacted/been contacted by their parish priest prior to the training night.

If you are interested in leading your parish community in prayerful reflection this Advent, please email livingchurch@downandconnor.org to reserve a place.

"Advent is a time given to us to welcome the Lord who comes to meet us, to verify our desire for God, to look ahead and prepare ourselves for the return of Christ."
Pope Francis, December 2017

DAY FOR LIFE

The Parish Pastoral Council have organised a **"Day for Life"** for **8th December** in **St Brigid's Church**. It is a day of prayer that our society will respect, protect, love and serve life from the moment of conception until its natural end.

The 8th December has been deliberately chosen for this day of prayer as it is the Feast of the Immaculate Conception. Everyone in the parish is invited to make a special effort to play a part in this day.

8th DECEMBER – ADVENT REFLECTION DAY

Title: 'An Inner Nativity'

Venue: St Brigid's Parish Hall, Derryvolgie Avenue, Belfast; **Time:** 2 – 5 pm

Facilitator: Rev Ruth Patterson

SOCIETY OF ST VINCENT DE PAUL - ANNUAL CHRISTMAS COLLECTION

The annual collection of St Vincent De Paul will be held on **Saturday 8th and Sunday 9th December 2018** after all Masses.

Gift Aid will add a significant amount to what you contribute at no cost to you. Gift aid envelopes will be available and distributed on **1st and 2nd December** and will also be available in the Church Porch.

CHRISTMAS TOY/GIFT APPEAL

St Brigid's conference of SVP will be holding their annual toy/gift appeal in December 2018

On Saturday 1st and Sunday 2nd December, cards with ages of boys and girls will be available in the porch. Parishioners are asked to bring home a card, purchase a toy suitable for a child of the age indicated and bring the toy back unwrapped to the church on Saturday 8th and Sunday 9th December for distribution in the days before Christmas.

Gift Vouchers for teenagers are especially welcome. Cards with "Heating" on them will also be available to provide heat for a family over the winter. Oil and heating costs are expensive. Oil is currently approximately £275 for 500 litres. **Any amount towards this would be most welcome.** Gift aid envelopes can also be marked "For Heating."

SVP Christmas cards will also be available for sale in the porch after all Masses from Saturday 1st and Sunday 2nd December.

ST BRIGID'S BOWLING CLUB

Indoor bowling has begun again in **St Brigid's Hall** on **Thursdays at 7.30 pm**. New members very welcome. For more information contact Don tel: 07510 601 516.