



Celebrating the Liturgy

Mass Times

Vigil Mass: Saturday 6 pm.

Sunday

9.00 am; 10.30 am; 12 noon

Weekday Masses

Mon to Fri: 9.30 am Sat: 12 noon.

Evening Masses

Monday, Wednesday & Friday 7pm

Reconciliation

Saturday Confessions

12.30pm – 1.00 pm.

5.30pm – 5.55pm

Eucharistic Adoration

Monday 7.30- 8.00pm

Friday 10.00am – 12.00 noon

Marriages

6 months notice required.
Please contact Fr O'Donnell

Parish Baptisms

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

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

Short Book Club

The next meeting of the Club will be after 9:30am Mass on **Wednesday 12 September 2018**. Please note that this is **one week earlier** than usual. The book we will be discussing is: **A Farewell to Arms** by **Ernest Hemingway**. It should be easy to get a copy from libraries etc.

Youth Ministry Social Media

Follow the below accounts to be kept up to date with some exciting programmes that will be coming up in the four parishes who share in our Youth Ministry Project.



@SEBelfastCYM

Parish Offertory Collection: 19th August £4,509

Thank you for your continued support.

***Please note the parish office will be closed on Monday 27th August.** For urgent pastoral matters please contact the mobile telephone number given on the answering machine.



Saint Brigid's Parish

Pastoral Community of South and East Belfast

Parish Priest: Very Reverend Edward O'Donnell. Tel: 028 9066 5409

Parish Office: Tel: 028 9066 5409; 9.00-1.00pm Week Days

Email: stbrigids@downandconnor.org

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Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B

26th August 2018 Psalter Week I.

First Reading: *Joshua 24:1-2.15-18*

We will serve the Lord, for he is our God.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 33:2-3 16-23
R/. Taste and see that the Lord is good.

Second Reading: *Ephesians 5:25:32*

This mystery has many implications for Christ and his Church

Gospel: *John 6:60-69*

. Whom shall we go to? You have the message of eternal life.

Please pray for the happy repose of the souls of:

Brian Trainor *who died recently*

Amparo Malone *whose months mind occurs around this time*

Brian Gritton, Leo & Mary McGrath, Margaret McCambridge,

Fr Gerard McCluskey, Irene Carty, Dan Mooney,

Anne Josephine Murphy, David McKenna, Frank McGivern,

Desmond McGivern, Paul McRandal, May Hendron &

Teresa Murphy *whose anniversary's are at this time.*

May they rest in peace.

*** Please note** from 24th August weekday evening masses will resume each Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 7.00pm.

Eucharistic Adoration will resume Friday 31st August

Working directly with Children (under 18s) in St Brigid's Parish Groups.

Dear colleagues, the National Board for Safeguarding Children in the Catholic Church in Ireland (NBSCCC) has advised that at least one of the adults working directly with children in each group session should have attended the new 'Level 2 Safeguarding Training'. This is the training calendar for Belfast venues:

15 AND 22/11/2018 attend both sessions	Thursday 7:00 – 9:30pm	St John's Parish Hall, 444 Falls Road, Belfast You can use school car park next door.
26/01/2019	Saturday 10:00 – 4:00	St Anne's Parish Centre, Kingsway, Finaghy, Belfast. Lunch provided.
21 AND 28/03/2019 attend both sessions	Thursday 7:00– 9:30	St John's. Address as above.
09 AND 16/05/2019 attend both sessions	Thursday 7:00 – 9:30	St John's. Address as above.

Other dates and venues outside Belfast are also available. Please see the poster in the church porch or see the full Calendar Events on the website below.

The Parish recognises the time, effort and expertise that you commit to this valuable work and the Parish Safeguarding Committee recognises that this is an additional burden. But if you can possibly complete this training, please book a place using the electronic Booking Form, downloadable from www.downandconnor.org/safeguarding/children/ or give your details to the Parish Secretary, who can complete and submit the form for you.

Thank you. St Brigid's Parish Safeguarding Committee.

Annual Church Door Collection

Legion of Mary Hostels (Morning Star House and Regina Coeli House). Collection will be taken up **1st/2nd September**. The Hostels rely on this source of income for hostel maintenance and to continue to improve their service to the homeless and disadvantaged. Thank you.

Our Lady and St Patrick's College, Knock will hold an Information Evening at 7.30 pm on Thursday 6th September 2018 for the parents of P7 pupils who are seeking entry to Year 8 in September 2019.

Preparation Classes for First Penance and First Holy Communion

The Ashleigh Group prepares children of St Brigid's parish who do not attend the parish school, for the sacraments. There will be a registration meeting for parents of primary 4 children during September in St Brides Hall giving class dates for commencement. Further details will be published in the bulletin.

Any queries contact kathrynmorrisey1@gmail.com

ANNUAL BELFAST PIONEER MASS will take place on Tuesday 18th September 2018 in St. Malachy's Church, Alfred St. Belfast at 7pm. Everyone is welcome. Light refreshments afterwards. Anyone wishing to be presented with emblems/ certificates please contact Pat 9262 9959, Ian 9061 6601, Josephine 9061 7116, Roisin 9064 6957.

FOOD BANK COLLECTION

Non-perishable food items can be donated after all Masses on **1st/2nd September 2018**. Thank you for your support.

List of **items currently most needed**: Coffee: Tinned meat: Tinned vegetables: Fish: Long life juice: Toothbrushes: Toothpaste.

Letter of His Holiness Pope Francis to the People of God, in relation to the abuse crisis is available on the parish website (Latest News).

There are also some printed copies in the Church entrance hall.