



## 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

Mon, Wed & Fri: 7pm

### Reconciliation

Saturday: 12.30 – 1.0 pm.  
Confession, 5.30pm – 5.55pm

### Eucharistic Adoration

Monday 7.30pm – 8.00pm  
Friday 10.00am – 12.00 Noon

### Marriages

6 months notice required.  
Please contact Fr O'Donnell

### Parish Baptisms

**1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays of the month at 2pm**

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

Please pray for the children of Harberton School who will receive the Eucharist for the first time on Saturday 2nd June 2018.

The Iona Institute NI invites you to

### 'The Sexual Revolution and *Humanae Vitae* at 50'

You are warmly invited to attend a series of four weekly presentations to mark the 50th anniversary of this important encyclical on the gospel of life. We will explore the history, context, and content of the publication in 1968 and its relevance to contemporary culture. Pre-booking is encouraged but not essential. The series commences on Thursday 31st May 7 - 8.30pm St Brigid's Parish Hall, Derryvolgie Avenue, Belfast. For a more detailed outline of each session please visit [www.ionainstituteni.org/events](http://www.ionainstituteni.org/events). To book or find out more call us at: 028 92646861 or email us at: [ionainstituteni@gmail.com](mailto:ionainstituteni@gmail.com).

**Note\***The Parish Office will be closed on Monday 28<sup>th</sup> May

### Lourdes Petitions

A parishioner will be going to Lourdes for a week on **Friday 15 June 2018**. If you would like the person concerned to convey a petition to the Sanctuary on your behalf - please leave it in the Parish Office in an envelope marked '**Lourdes Petition**' before **Wednesday 14 June**. Thank you.



## Saint Brigid's Parish

*Pastoral Community of South and East Belfast*

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

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### The Most Holy Trinity

27 May 2018 Psalter Week IV .

### Introduction

Today's readings illuminate how all God's words and works were meant to prepare for the revelation of the Trinity and God's blessing in Jesus Christ – the blessing we inherited in baptism and renew in each Eucharist.

**First Reading:** Deuteronomy 4:32-34. 39-40

*"The Lord is God indeed, in heaven as on earth beneath, he and no other."*

**Responsorial Psalm:** Ps 32

**R/. Happy the people the Lord has chosen as his own.**

**Second Reading:** Romans 8:14-17

Through the Spirit, we have been adopted as children of God.

**Gospel:** Matthew 28:16-20

The Gospel of Matthew closes with the "Great Commission" where Jesus commands the Church to share in the ongoing mission of God in the world.

*"Baptise them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit."*

### Please pray for the happy repose of the souls of:

Charles Monaghan & David Brennan *who died recently.*

Alex Mitchell *whose months mind occurs around this time.*

Brigid Britton, Annie McShane, Rosemary McHugh, Patrick & May Lennon, Kathleen Wynne, John McAnallen, Vivian Clarke, Gerard Lynch, Fr Tom Lynch *whose anniversaries occur around this time. May they rest in peace.*

### Food Bank Collection

Non perishable food items can be donated after all Masses on **2nd/3rd June 2018**. The food weighed in at **250.65 kg for May collection**. Thank you for your support.

List of **items currently most needed**: Instant potato; Lentils; Peas; Beans; Rice; Vegetable oil (small bottles).

### Parish Pastoral Council 'Come and See' meeting

*Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> June 2018 at 7.00pm in No 40 Derryvolgie Avenue.*

This meeting is for all those interested – perhaps only vaguely interested at this time – in serving as a member of the Parish Pastoral Council for the next four years. It is a *Come and See* meeting and there is no commitment involved. Current members of the council will be present.

*Everyone is most welcome.*

### Parish Pastoral Community Fund-Day

The eight parishes in our Pastoral community are having a Family Fun Day in Carryduff beside St Joseph's Primary School (entrance by Ivanhoe Avenue). The Fun Day on **Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> June** begins at **11.00am and ends at 4.00pm** with all the usual "fun" events. Parishes involved are: Holy Rosary; St Bernadette's, Drumbo; St Anthony's; St Colmcille's; St. Matthews's; St Malachy's, and St Brigid's. This free event is open to all families.

It is planned that we open with concelebrated Mass in the Church of the Immaculate Heart of Mary at 10am with Bishop Treanor, accompanied by the Blessing of all our families.

Car parking is available at the Church Car Park, all food & drink must be paid for. The day itself will take place around the Parish Centre.

### The Short Book Club

The next meeting of the Club will be after 9:30am Mass on **Wednesday 16 June 2018**. The book we will be discussing is - **Tuesdays with Morrie by Mitch Albom**. We will agree the next meeting date and book title at the meeting. All are welcome to our growing band of readers.

**Parish Offertory Collection:** 20 May £4,988

*Thank you for your continued support.*

### Baptism Sunday

Sincere thanks to the members of the Parish Baptism team who organised the Baptism Sunday Celebration last week, and provided refreshments afterwards. Many families took part and it was a very joyous occasion.

### Diocesan Annual Pilgrimage to Knock

The Down and Connor Annual Pilgrimage to Knock, led by Bishop Treanor, will take place on Sunday 10th June 2018. We encourage Parishoners who usually visit Knock annually as a family or individuals to consider making their visit on this day. Due to the World Meeting of Families many Parishes who usually organize a Parish trip to Knock for the Diocesan Pilgrimage are focusing their energies and resources on Parish trips to WMOF and the Papal Visit.

### The Associate Membership of the Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2018

The Associate member last year contributed £38,000 towards the 2017 pilgrimage. The generous response helped to subsidise fare for sick pilgrims, helpers and the Youth Team, as well as providing equipment and supplies. St Brigid's parish contributed £2,500. This year the Associate membership Church door Collection will be on the weekend of 9<sup>th</sup>/10<sup>th</sup> June. Thank you for your support.

### An Office of Immense Love

#### Ministers of the Word; Ministers of Holy Communion

A ministry is not just doing something for others; it is not just a job to do or a function to perform; it must never be just a routine. Each occasion requires preparation and lives that are in conformity to the Gospel. Ministers of the Word and Holy Communion are a very important and valuable presence in the Parish; they by their lives make flesh, make real, the Word they read, and the Sacrament they distribute. Would you consider offering to serve in one or other of these important roles? Please contact Fr O'Donnell Tel 028 9066 5409 or email [stbrigids@downandconnor.org](mailto:stbrigids@downandconnor.org)  
**Training will be provided.**

### ANNUAL COLLECTION FOR LEGION OF MARY HOSTELS

(Morning Star House and Regina Coeli House)

Will be taken up outside the Church today. The Hostels rely on this source of income to continue and improve their service to the homeless and disadvantaged. We would therefore ask for your kind support. Thank you.

### ST VINCENT De PAUL

Do you want to do something that is satisfying and of great service to your community? Then become a Saint Vincent de Paul volunteer. **Volunteers are needed** in our shop on the Ormeau Road. Join an exciting, energetic & fun team for **as little as 2 hours a week**. Morning & afternoon sessions available. No previous experience required. Your help will contribute to raising the funds so vital to SVDP work. Call in and see us or contact 02890 247699. Hope to see you soon.

### GIFT Pilgrimage to Rome 2019

Those who attended **GIFT 4** this year, or those who have previously attended this group, are invited on the Annual Pilgrimage to Rome 2019. If you missed the meeting last Sunday, the dates are **28th June to 3rd July 2019** - 4 nights in Rome staying at the Irish College and 1 night in Assisi. A full itinerary is available. The cost of the trip is **approx £725**. If you have attended this group previously (you would now be moving into GIFT 5) and are interested in going please get in touch ASAP. To allow flights to be booked a non-refundable deposit of £250 will be required on 27th May. We will be in the Parish Hall to collect these on that day **between 5pm and 6pm**. The trip offers a wonderful opportunity for our young people and volunteers to stay in the heart of Rome and experience the wonder of Rome with a night stay over in Assisi too. If you would like to know more, please do not hesitate to get in touch with Mary Carson **07718263019** or Breige Kinney **07708559989**.