

St. Brigids Parish Community Association

Introduction

St. Brigid's Parish strives to be open and welcoming to all people and it set up the Parish Community Association to assist with that goal.

The Parish Community Association (the PCA) aims to provide opportunities for leisure activities, friendship and contact among adults of all ages who have free time to spend.

Most of these activities take place in St. Brigid's Parish Centre in Derryvolgie Avenue. Activities in the past have included fitness classes, community choir, coffee and poems events, a short book club, Irish language and tin whistle classes. Some of these are ongoing and the PCA welcomes anyone who is interested in providing similar activities in the future.

The Parish Protocol and the Booking Form

Activities which take place in the Parish Centre must comply with our Parish Protocol. The Protocol lays down principles which each group must comply with. They must not conflict with Catholic ethos generally, be non-political and comply especially with parish safeguarding policies. The PCA will certify compliance of each group to the Parish Safeguarding Committee when required.

The Parish Centre is used by many groups during the year. Their activities are arranged through the Parish Centre Manager, who keeps a record of the dates and times each group uses the Parish Centre. Only the Parish Centre Manager has this information so that all events have to be arranged through him.

If you wish to use the Parish Centre for an activity, you must complete and submit to the Parish Office the booking form. The booking form is available from the Parish Office, and it is on this section of the website. The Parish Centre Manager will advise you if your request has been granted and that the dates and times requested for your event are available.

Note

For some of the activities, we will request a contribution from the organiser to cover the cost of instructors who may be required to deliver an event. This should be discussed in advance with the Parish Centre Manager.

The Parish Centre is not usually available for PCA activities in July and August.

It is not normally available for events on Saturdays and Sundays, except where the parish itself requires its use for its own purposes.

If an organiser cancels a booked event, please tell the Parish Centre Manager immediately.

The Protocol and Booking Form are available from the Parish Office and are on this website.