



Saint Brigid's Parish

Pastoral Community of South and East Belfast

Third Sunday of Lent

3rd March 2024, Year B, Psalter Week 3

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First Reading: Reading from book of Exodus Ex 20:1-17
The Law was given through Moses.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 18:8-11

R/. You, Lord, have the message of eternal life.

Second Reading: Reading from first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians 1 Cor 1:22-25
God did not spare his own Son.

Gospel: Gospel according to John Jn 2:13-25
Destroy this sanctuary, and in three days I will raise it up.

Anniversary List

Please pray for Jimmy Doran recently deceased, and for all those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Maureen McLaughlin, Francis McErlean, Joan Reilly, Eileen Burns, Pat Patten, James Nugent, Aidan Langan, Patrick Brennan, Sarah Wildy, Charles and Elizabeth Farrell, Maura Lavery, Gretta Ballentine, Peter and Theresa Fitzpatrick. Aoife and Vanessa Crummie, Patricia Webster, Harry Walsh, Seamus Conlon, Mary Ellen and Frank Houston

May they rest in peace

The Liturgy

Sunday Mass

Saturday: 6.00 pm (Vigil Mass)

Sunday: 9.30 am
12.00 noon

Weekday Mass

Monday: 7.00 pm

Tuesday: 9.30 am

Wednesday: 9.30 am

Thursday: 9.30 am

Friday: 7.00 pm

Saturday: 12 noon



Confession

Monday: 7.30 pm – 8.00 pm

Friday: 6.30 pm – 7.00 pm

Saturday: 12.30 pm – 1.00 pm &
5.30 pm – 6:00 pm

Baptisms

1st & 3rd Sunday of the Month at 1.30pm

Please contact the Parish Office to book

Marriages

At least 6 months' notice required prior to date of Marriage.

Please contact Fr O'Donnell

Eucharistic Adoration

Monday: 7.30 pm – 8.00 pm

PARISH OFFERTORY COLLECTION

(Total includes Basket Collections, Standing Orders and Dona Donations)

Weekly Collection 25th February: £4318.92



Thank you for your continued support



Sunday Homily

Fr O'Donnell's Homily is available to read and listen to each Sunday morning on our Parish Website. *Please visit the link > [Sunday Homilies](#)*

Coffee and Poems

The next Parish Community Association's Coffee and Poems meeting will be on **Wednesday 6th March** after morning Mass in **St. Bride's Parish Centre**. *All are welcome to come along and join.*



ST BRIGID'S LENTEN PROGRAMME



Morning Prayer: Monday to Friday at 7.30am in the Church. Our focus is on the Morning Office and reflecting on the gospel for the Sunday following and also the gospel of the day.

Women walking together through Lent: Each Wednesday at 7.30pm. **Dates: 6th, 20th & 27th March in 40 Derryvolgie Ave and 13th March in the Parish Hall.** It is a gentle hour of prayer and discussion in preparation for Easter. Open to women of all ages. Please come along.

Divine Mercy: Join us in St Brigid's Church **each Friday during Lent at 3.00pm** as we pray the Chaplet of Divine Mercy.

Inter Church Lenten Series: 'Caring for our Common Home' 4 Tuesday evenings in Lent at 7.30pm in The Conference Centre, 18b Newforge Lane – **Final two meetings are on 12th March and 19th March.**

A Big
THANK YOU



Food Bank Collection

Nonperishable food items can be donated after all Masses **THIS WEEKEND 2nd /3rd March 2024.** The food weighed in at 246.15 kgs for February collection.

Your donations make a big difference to local people in crisis.

List of items currently most needed: *Tinned tomatoes; Instant potato; Tinned vegetables; Tinned fruit; Jam; Coffee; Tea; Rice; Long life fruit juice; UHT milk; Cooking Sauces; Biscuits; Household cleaning items.*



Bishop Alan will take up his ministry and mission as Bishop of Down and Connor on Tuesday 19th March.

*O God, Bless your servant Alan whom you have chosen as shepherd of the Church of Down and Connor.
St Malachy pray for him, St MacNissi pray for him*

Trócaire Annual Lent Lecture

The St. Patrick's College Maynooth Annual Lent Lecture takes place on **Tuesday March 5th 2024 at 7pm.** This year's speaker is Rev. Agbonkhianmeghe Orobator, S.J, who is the Dean of Theology at Santa Clara University.

The theme is: *'Climate Justice and Catholic Social Teaching: "Everything is connected...No one is saved alone" (Laudate Deum, 19).'*

Registration for this free event is required (see invitation above)

To attend **online** at this link: <https://bit.ly/3Shykv>

For further enquiries please contact Frances Harnan frances.harnan@trocaire.org

PERMANENT DIACONATE

Information evenings for those wishing to explore the Permanent Diaconate or to hear more about the work of permanent deacons will take place in **Downpatrick on 7th March at 7.30pm** in the Parochial House beside St Patrick's Church.



Also, at All Saints' Church Broughshane Rd **Ballymena on 12th March at 7.30pm**

And finally at St Brigid's Church in the Parish Hall, 38 Derryvolgie Avenue **Belfast on 20th March 2024 at 7.30pm.**

Further relevant information can be found on the Diocesan website: <https://www.downandconnor.org/living-church/diaconate/>

It is hoped a propaedeutic year of discernment will commence in September 2024. Expressions of Interest forms will be issued by email to those who have responded to this announcement and the formal application and interview process will commence, with a view to completion in June 2024.