



Saint Brigid's Parish

Pastoral Community of South and East Belfast

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

3rd September 2023, Year A, Psalter Week 2

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First Reading: Reading from the prophet Jeremiah Jr 20:7-9

The word of the Lord has meant insult for me.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 62:2-6.8-9

R/. For you my soul is thirsting, O Lord my God.

Second Reading: Reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans Rom 12:1-2

Offer your bodies as a living sacrifice.

Gospel: Gospel according to Matthew Mt 16:21-27

If anyone wants to be a follower of mine, let him renounce himself.

Anniversary List

Please pray for Sheila McKay and Tulio Figallo recently deceased, Creena O'Farrell whose month's mind it is and for all those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Clare and Terry McGuinness, Mary Elinor Waters, Ted Hickey, Patrick Curran, Brian and Tillie Perry, Mollie Lavery, Molly O'Hare, Tess and John J Conlon, Richard Dean, John and Christopher Cushinan, Michael Connolly

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 20th August: £4047.33

Weekly Collection 27th August: £5566.69

Diocesan Cathedral Collection: £2235.75



Donate with Dona

Thank you for your continued support

Bulletin Notices and Anniversaries

Bulletin Notices should be with the Parish Office by **12 noon on Thursday** to be included in the weekend bulletin.

Pilates Classes

Pilates classes starting in St Brides Parish Hall from Wednesday 6th September. 9.30am for beginners and 10.30am for mixed ability.

Limited spaces, contact Kathryn on 07545 245834 or kathryndrake10@outlook.com

St Brigid's One World Group

www.stbrigids3wg.com



The Parish One World Group Annual Collection will be held at Masses next weekend, 9th, and 10th September.

Please help us to help those suffering from extreme poverty in developing countries. If you are a taxpayer, please Gift Aid your donation so we can claim a further 25% of the amount from HMRC.

Gift Aid envelopes are being distributed this weekend and are available at the back of the Church.

Food Bank Collection

Non perishable food items can be donated after all Masses **this weekend 2nd/3rd September 2023**. The food weighed in at 236.6 kgs for August collection. Thank you for your support.

List of items currently most needed: Tinned tomatoes; Tinned potatoes; Instant potato; Tinned vegetables; Tinned fruit; Coffee; tea; Rice; Long life fruit juice; UHT milk; Cooking Sauces; Biscuits.

Women Walking Together In Prayer

Are you looking for some quiet, prayerful time away from the frenzy of life? Do you have a desire to come closer to God? Then please do join us. We follow the Ignatius approach to prayer, gentle and for the most part silent.

A group of us have been gathering since COVID and have found it to be helpful, affirming and supportive.

We will meet **twice monthly** on the **1st Tuesday** and the **3rd Wednesday** in No40 Derryvolgie Avenue. Prayer beginning promptly for an hour at 7.30pm. There will be a cup of tea after for those who wish to stay on and chat. Everyone is most welcome!

DATES: September to December

Tuesday 5th and Wednesday 20th September

Tuesday 3rd and Wednesday 18th October

Tuesday 7th and Wednesday 22nd November

Tuesday 5th and Wednesday 20th December

Contact Mary Carson if you would like to find out more on 07718263019

Message from Pope Francis – Season of Creation 2023

“In this Season of Creation, as followers of Christ on our shared synodal journey, Let us live, work and pray that our common home will teem with life once again.”



A Mighty River
Amos 5: 24

On 1st September, Creation Day, also known as Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation, opens the Season of Creation 2023. Faith leaders from around the globe will lead this time of prayer and reflection as we celebrate the start of the Season of Creation, on this year's theme, **“Let Justice and Peace Flow”**. The Season of Creation runs from 1st September until 4th October.

Anyone can follow the ecumenical opening prayer on Friday 1st September between 2.00 -3.00 on YouTube by following the link below.

<https://laudatosimovement.org/event/soc-opening-prayer-service/>

Read Pope Francis message at the link below:

<https://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/messages/pont-messages/2023/documents/20230513-messaggio-giornata-curacreato.html>

Coffee and Poems

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



Ashleigh Group Enrolment

First Penance and First Holy Communion classes for those children of the Parish, who do not attend St Bride's PS, will commence in October for the new School Term.

It is essential that parents who wish for their children to celebrate the sacraments, ensure that the children attend these classes from the beginning of the term.

Please email kathrynmorrissey1@gmail.com by **Friday 22nd September** if you wish to enroll your child into the Ashleigh Group for this year.

Beginning Experience

The loss of a partner through death, separation or divorce is devastating. Beginning Experience is offering a programme of bereavement support in St Bride's Hall, on three Saturdays (September 30th; October 28th and November 25th 2023) Booking essential. To find out more, contact Marie on [07896119669](tel:07896119669) or email belfastbe@yahoo.com