

Saint Brigid's Parish

Pastoral Community of South and East Belfast

Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

6th October 2024, Year B, Psalter Week 3

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First Reading: Reading from the book of Gensis Gen 2:18-24 *They become one body.*

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 127

R/. May the Lord bless us all the days of our life.

Second Reading: Reading from letter to the Hebrews Heb 2:9-11 *The one who sanctifies, and the ones who are sanctified, are of the same stock.*

Gospel: Gospel according to Mark Mk 10:2-16 What God has united, man must not divide.

Anniversary List

Please pray for Desmond Shearer whose month's mind it is and for all those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Kathleen McGale, John Doyle, Joan and Richard Sherry, Maura Donnelly, Assumpta Meenan, Mark Shevlin, Seamus Kelters, Lily Kerr, Terry O'Kane, Conor O'Kane, Joe O'Neill, Jean Rice, Joanna Lavery, Cecilia Mary Burns, Maire Shearer, Hugh Finnegan, Tim Lynch, Nan Kavanagh, John Donaghy, Frank Miskelly

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 pmFriday:6.30 pm - 7.00 pmSaturday:12.30 pm - 1.00 pm &

5.30 pm - 6:00 pm

Eucharistic Adoration

Monday: 7.30 pm - 8.00 pm

Baptisms

1st & 3rd Sunday of the Month at 1.30pm Please contact the Parish Office to book (One month's notice required)

Marriages

At least 6 months' notice required prior to

date of Marriage.

Please contact Fr O'Donnell

PARISH OFFERTORY COLLECTION

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

Weekly Collection 29th September: £4609.65



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**

Bulletin Notices and Anniversaries

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

October – Month of the Rosary

Join with us as we pray the Rosary each weekday before Mass in St Brigid's. We will begin 20minutes before each mass (9.10am Tues-Thurs & 6.40pm Mon & Fri)



Food Bank Collection

Non perishable food items can be donated after all Masses on the **5th/6th October 2024.** The food weighed in at 248.50 kgs for September collection. Your donations make a big difference to local people in crisis. Thank you for your support.

List of **items currently most needed**: *Tinned fish; Tinned vegetables; Tinned meat; Instant potato; Pasta sauce; Porridge oats; Pulses; Rice; Long life juice; UHT milk; Jam/Honey; Biscuits; Detergent.*

YOUTH FAITH GROUP

Our Parish Youth Faith Group recommences on **Sunday 6th October from 6.30pm to 8.00pm in St Bride's Hall**. Everyone aged between 16 and 18 years old are invited to join and we look forward to seeing lots of both new and familiar faces. We will have Pizza and soft drinks for all!

WINTER FUEL ALLOWANCE

The recent government decision to cease universal payment of the Winter Fuel Allowance may cause hardship to some of our parishioners.



The St Vincent de Paul Society is fully active in our parish and can assist those who need help. We can provide heating oil, top-ups for gas and electric meters.

If you received a gas heating bill and are struggling to pay it...we can help!

If you are in need of support, please contact us on 02890351561 or online at svp.ie (click on: Get Help)

If you are contacting us on behalf of someone else, please make sure you have their consent. **Our service is completely confidential.**

Monday, 7th October, The Feast of the Holy Rosary, Day of Prayer for Peace.

Pope Francis has called for a day of prayer and fasting for peace on Monday, October 7, the first anniversary of the start of the catastrophic conflict in the Holy Land. He said: "In this dramatic hour of our history, while the winds of war and the fires of violence continue to devastate entire peoples and nations," the Christian community is reminded of its call to "put itself at the service of humanity."

Echoing the Pope's call, parishioners in St Brigid's are encouraged to pray for peace next Monday, in response to the increase of the intensity and scope of the conflict in Lebanon and Israel. In St Brigid's there will be a public recitation of the Rosary beginning at 6.40pm, followed by Mass and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at 7.00pm, concluding at 8.00pm.

Parishioners not able to participate in public prayers are encouraged to pray the Rosary privately, and to mark Monday in some way as a fast day

"Cardinal Pierbattista Pizzaballa, the Latin Patriarch of Jerusalem, has also invited us to mark next Monday as a day of prayer, penance and fasting for peace in the Holy Land. He speaks of the 'need to pray, to bring our pain and our desire for peace to God.' We need to convert, to do penance, and to implore forgiveness."

"Let us keep in our prayers all who are affected by the violence in the Middle East."

Women's Prayer Group

Calling all Women of St Brigids! In our busy lives it's hard to find stillness and peace, our minds are always busy with the next thing. Would you like to take time out from all of this to sit with God and just be?

If so, then do join our woman's prayer group. We meet monthly in No40 Derryvolgie Ave at 7.30pm for one hour. A cup of tea and an hour of gentle reflection; Connecting with God, and one another.

Our next meetings are Wednesday 16th October, Wednesday 20th November and Wednesday 18th December.

God is always there waiting for us, wishing to communicate His great love for us, if only we can take time out to listen.

The Parish One World Group is delighted to announce a Table Quiz on <u>18th October</u> in the Parish Hall 7.45 for <u>8pm</u> start. Bring your own drinks and snacks!

To book a table or find out more, please phone Kevin on 07525634440

[Even if you haven't got enough people for a team, please come along and we will link you up with others to make up a table.]

Raffle prizes gratefully accepted

Visit of the Relic of St Bernadette to the Diocese of Down and Connor

The Relic of St Bernadette will arrive in Belfast on 15th and 16th October to St Mary's Church, Chapel Lane.



For more information please visit <u>www.downandconnor.org/stbernadette</u>



Accord (NI) provides a marriage and relationship counselling service for any couple who may be experiencing difficulties or challenges in their relationship.

Our professional counselling service is based on client need rather than an ability to pay and we are based in 11 locations across Northern Ireland. We try to be as accessible as possible and offer both in-person and online counselling to all, regardless of faith, denomination or none.

We specialise in couple counselling, including domestic violence and are also available to individuals in a couple relationship.

Contact Accord (NI) at info@accordni.com www.accordni.com Tel: 028 9023 3002

St Mary's Church Chapel Lane, Belfast 15th & 16th October 2024

Tuesday 15th

12 noon: Angelus Bell: Liturgy of Welcome for the Relics.

1.00pm: Mass of Our Lady of Lourdes.

3.00pm: Lourdes Water Ritual, Rosary mediation, Litany of St. Bernadette.
 4.00pm: Lourdes Water Ritual, Rosary mediation, Litany of St. Bernadette.
 5.00pm: Lourdes Water Ritual, Rosary mediation, Litany of St. Bernadette.
 6.00pm: Angelus – followed by period of quiet preparation for Mass.
 7.00pm: Mass of St. Bernadette followed by Marian Candlelight Procession.

11.00pm: Church closes.

Wednesday 16th

7.00am: Mass of Our Lady of Lourdes.

9.00am: Lourdes Water Ritual, Rosary mediation, Litany of St. Bernadette.
10:00am: Lourdes Water Ritual, Rosary mediation, Litany of St. Bernadette.
11:00am: Lourdes Water Ritual, Rosary mediation, Litany of St. Bernadette.
12 noon: Angelus – Followed by period of quiet preparation for Mass.

1.00pm: Mass of St. Bernadette.

3.00pm: Lourdes meditation on the Stations of the Cross.

4.00pm: Lourdes Water Ritual, Rosary mediation, Litany of St. Bernadette.
5.00pm: Lourdes Water Ritual, Rosary mediation, Litany of St. Bernadette.
6.00pm: Angelus – followed by period of quiet preparation for Mass.

7.00pm: Concluding Mass of the Immaculate Conception, followed by Benediction.

11.00pm: Church closes.





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