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 &	Baptisms 1 st & 3 rd Sunday of the Month at 1.30pm Please contact the Parish Office to book (One month's notice required)
5.30 pm – 6:00 pm Eucharistic Adoration Monday: 7.30 pm – 8.00 pm	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 2nd February: £5778.73 Monthly Collection 2nd February: £3738.60

Thank you for your continued support

What is Alpha?

Alpha is a series of sess ions exploring the Christian faith. Each talk looks at a different question around faith and is designed to create conversation. Alpha is run all around the globe, and everyone's welcome. It runs in cafés, churches, universities, homes—you name it. No two Alphas look the same, but generally they have three key things



in common: food, a talk and good conversation. https://youtu.be/MzMWZHMLXE0

Printed Invitations are available in the Church porch, to register please scan the QR code or visit the Parish Website: stbrigidsparishbelfast.org/alpha



Saint Brigid's Parish

5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9th February 2025, Year C, Psalter Week

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Livestream/Webcam: <u>youtube.com/@stbrigidsparishbelfast</u>

5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Reading from the prophet Isaiah Is 6:1-8

Here I am, send me.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 137:1-5.7-8

R/. Before the angels I will bless you, O Lord.

Second Reading: From the letter of St Paul to the Corinthians 1 Cor 15:1-11

I preach what they preach, and this is what you all believed.

Gospel: Gospel according to Luke Lk 5:1-11

They left everything and followed him.

Anniversary List

Please pray for Gerard Murphy, Brendan McGivern, Helen Crawford, Marie Ward, Canon Noel Conway, Fr Brendan Smyth recently deceased, Tony Gribben whose month's mind it is and for all those whose anniversaries occur at this time: William McBurney, Kieran Rafferty, Daniel MacRandal, Aidan Gallagher, Brendan Hickey, Kathleen Boyle, Paul McFadden, Elizabeth Keating, Patrick and Ellen Cunnane, Joseph Greyston, Stephen Muldoon, Kevin Ballentine, Liam Cleary, Archie McFerran, Thomas O'Rourke, Brian Shevlin, Donal Crawley, Peter Carty, William Ramsey, Gerry Davey

May they rest in peace

Our Lenten Day of Reflection

Date: Saturday 1st March 2025 **Time:** 2pm – 4.30pm

Venue: St Bride's Hall, Derryvolgie Ave, Belfast. BT9 6FP

Facilitator: Rev Dr Ruth Patterson

ALL ARE WELCOME

Title: Questions on our Lenten Journey

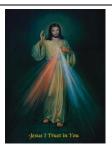
"We are not human beings having a spiritual experience. We are spiritual beings having a human experience." (Teilhard de Chardin). At this point in time our human experience appears to have great power to confuse, attack and distort our spiritual experience. Perhaps more than any other time in the Christian Year, our journey through Lent can challenge our spirituality. In our time together we will look at some of the question that can arise for us.

Down & Connor Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2025

Celebrating the Jubilee Year and our 40th Annual Diocesan Pilgrimage: 9/10 – 15th/16th July. 5 & 7 Night options available. Please visit www.downandconnor.org/lourdes for more information or call the Pilgrimage Office on (028) 9077 0162 or email lourdes@downandconnor.org Youth Team (9-16th July): applications now open (see website for details)

Pilgrimage Programme:

Our pilgrimage includes the celebration of Masses, including at the Grotto; celebration of the Sacrament of the Sick and Reconciliation; participation in the Blessed Sacrament and Candlelight processions and the Way of the Cross. Pilgrims will have the opportunity to visit Bartrès (additional cost). There is plenty of free time for your own personal prayer, to relax, and to explore the town of Lourdes.



Divine Mercy

You are warmly invited to join us in St Brigid's Church each Friday at 3.00pm as we pray the Chaplet of Divine Mercy.

"You will prepare the world for my final coming"

Sunglasses for Rwanda

Olivia Earley, a parishioner and member of the Parish One World Group, is a Consultant Ophthalmologist and she is returning for a second time to Rwanda later this month to train doctors in cataract surgery.



This is a common condition in Rwanda because of the bright sunny climate and it can be prevented by the wearing of sunglasses, which many people cannot afford because they are very poor.

We are **appealing for your unwanted sunglasses** (and ordinary glasses) for Olivia to bring to Rwanda.

These can be left in the box in the room off the Church porch any time before **25th February**.

St Brigid's Day Lecture

Last Sunday Bishop Alan McGuckian presented this year's St Brigid's Day Lecture in St Brides Hall.

The Theme of his lecture was 'Synodality for Mission'

If you missed the lecture - the slide presentation is available to download on the Parish Website – News Section

St Brigid's GAC Mass

A big Thank You to all who helped to organise St Brigid's GAC Annual Club Mass. It was a wonderful occasion — the young club members who provided music and singing, readers and speakers were a credit to the club and the parish. Thanks to all!