

Celebrating the Liturgy

Mass Times

Saturday: 6 pm (Vigil Mass) **Sunday:** 9.30am & 12 noon

Weekday Masses

Monday: 7:00 pm Tuesday: 9.30 am Wednesday: 9.30 am Thursday: 9.30 am Friday: 7:00 pm Saturday: 12 noon

Confessions

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

Please contact the Parish Office

Marriages

6 months' notice required. Please contact Fr O'Donnell

Contact St Brigid's Parish

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Follow us on Facebook: click here > <u>Facebook</u>
Address: 40 Derryvolgie Avenue, Belfast, BT9 6FP

Parish Hall: Call Paul on 07964265294 (currently operating for Parish Groups only)

Parish Mailing List

Would you like to sign up to our Parish Mailing List to receive the Parish Bulletin and be kept up to date on news and events in St Brigid's? Contact the Parish Office to sign up by giving us a call, drop us an email or register on our Parish Website (Contact us page).



Bulletin Notices

Notices for the bulletin must be with the Parish Office by <u>12 noon on Thursday</u> to be included in the weekend bulletin. Thank you.



Saint Brigid's Parish

Pastoral Community of South and East Belfast

Twenty Forth Sunday in Ordinary Time

13th September 2020, Year A, Psalter Week 4

First Reading: Reading from the book of Ecclesiasticus Sir 27:30-28:7 Forgive your neighbour for the hurt he does you, and when you pray, your sins will be forgiven

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 102:1-4.9-12

R/. The Lord is compassion and love, slow to anger and rich in mercy.

Second Reading: First letter from St Paul to the Romans Rom 14:7-9 *Alive or dead we belong to the Lord.*

Gospel: Gospel according to Matthew Mt 18:21-35 *I do not tell you to forgive seven times, but seventy-seven times.*

Anniversary List

Please pray for Patrick McAreavey, Patrick O'Neill, Tony Rice and Seamus Kerr recently deceased, Teresa Quinn whose month's mind it is, and for all those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Charles Leo Sheil and Elizabeth Sheil, Patricia Gilligan, Noreen Salters, Michael Connolly, Michael and Mary Mooney, Patrick Mooney, Brian and Noreen Graham, Janette Lagan

May they rest in peace

PARISH OFFERINGS

Weekly Offering 6th September:

£6280.19

Offerings are still coming in for the Monthly Collection and the total will be noted in the next bulletin.

Thank you for your continued generosity and support.

Chaplaincy at QUB

The Catholic Chaplaincy at QUB is preparing to reopen from **Monday 21**st **September**. With the new arrangement with St Brigid's, parishioners are welcome to attend mass in the Chaplaincy.

Mass times will be as follows:

Sunday: 8 pm

Monday, Wednesday, and Friday: **8.15 am**Tuesday and Thursday: **5.15 pm**

More Masses - More space

Please take note that following the introduction of 12 noon Masses on Saturday and Sunday there are now FOUR Masses each weekend. More numbers are now coming to Mass, and we want everyone who can to be able to attend, subject to the social distancing rules. If attendance is spread over all four Masses, we can reduce the use of the "Church full" notice. We have not had to use it often, but thank you to those who were turned away and accepted the need so patiently - you have helped to keep your fellow parishioners safe, which is itself an act of kindness. The present capacity in the church is 120.

There have been some suggestions that we free up more space in the Church. We will keep these, and indeed all developments under review, but at present there is little opportunity for change, because of both Diocesan and government rules, especially the government requirement for two metre social distancing, and the need to keep arrangements simple, practical, and easy to clean.

Welcoming Team

Finally thank you for your cooperation with the **volunteer stewards**. We have been able to recruit a group of people to cover the Vigil, Sunday 9.30 am and noon Masses, **though we are still a few short**, **particularly for the 9.30 am and 12 noon**.

If you are willing to help and over 18, not in a vulnerable category, and able to give clear directions in a positive manner, please give your contact details to Lisa, the Parish Secretary stbrigids@downandconnor.org / 02890 665409

St Vincent de Paul

Many of you have been asking when the red boxes will return, and we are pleased to say they are resuming this Sunday after mass as usual. We would like to thank those of you who have very generously donated through cheques, online transfers, and by setting up standing orders. This financial help has made a vast difference to how we can assist those most in need during these difficult times. If you are interested in finding out more information about donating please email Fiona Fitzpatrick (SVP treasurer St Brigids conference) f.fitzpatrick@me.com. We pray for your safe keeping and if you or anyone you know needs assistance please contact SVP 02890351561

Mass in St. Brigid's Parish

Over the last couple of months, we have gradually and safely re-introduced public Mass to the Parish.

<u>Mass, Confession and Adorations Times</u> are at the top of the first page

Some things to keep in mind:

- The seating capacity of the Church is 120;
- Observe social distancing and use the sanitizer at the Church Entrance;
- We strongly encourage you to wear a face covering as an additional measure
- The Church doors are closed at one minute before Mass the Church cannot be entered once Mass begins;
- Take a seat and remain there until the end of Mass; children must remain with their parents, and in the seat, at all times;
- Do not sit beside anyone who is not a member of your household;
- For those who wish to receive Holy Communion, remain in your seat and Holy Communion will be brought to you;
- Holy Communion is to be received in the hand;
- When leaving the Church follow the instructions and leave according to the indicated "One-way" system;
- Anyone with cold-like symptoms must not enter the Church;
- Those with under lying health issues are advised to remain at home;
- Toilet facilities are not available;
- Holidaymakers returning from other countries should not attend mass for two weeks.

Thank you to all our parishioners for their help and co-operation in the church at this very strange and difficult time for all of us.