

The Liturgy

Sunday Mass

Saturday: 6.00 pm (Vigil Mass)

Sunday: 9.30 am
12.00 noon

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

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 8th March: £8610.38

Sick and Housebound Parishioners

If you have a relative or neighbour in the Parish who is unable to come out for Mass and would like to receive the Eucharist, please contact the Parish Priest or the Parish Office.



Fr. O'Donnell visits the housebound monthly, and Ministers of Holy Communion are happy to visit weekly.

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Saint Brigid's Parish

Fourth Sunday of Lent

15th March 2026, Year A

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Fourth Sunday of Lent

First Reading: Reading from the book of Samuel 1 Sam 16:6-7.10-13
David is anointed king is Israel.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 22

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

Second Reading: Reading from the St Paul to the Ephesians Ep 5:8-14
Rise from the dead and Christ will shine on you.

Gospel: According to John Jn 9:1-41

He went off and washed himself, and came away with his sight restored.

Anniversary List

Please pray for Jesus Gomez de Costa recently deceased; and for those whose anniversaries are at this time: Noreen McDonagh, Frank Jordan, Brian Gregory, Pat O'Neill, Frances Connor, Antonio Abbate, Francis McMullan, Mary McKavanagh, John O'Sullivan, John Mageean, Harry Coll, Elizabeth Jamison, Helen Mohan, Philomena McCullough, Des Keating, Anne O'Connell, Dorothy Dolan, Anna McMurray, Mary McCann, Maureen O'Hagan, Hugh Thompson, Charlie McGettigan;

May they rest in peace

Mass Intentions for week ahead:

Mon 16th March 7pm: *Frank Jordan (A)*

Tues 17th March 9.30am: *John O'Sullivan (A)*

Wed 18th March 9.30am: *Brian Gregory (A)*

Thurs 19th March 9.30am: *Maureen O'Hagan (A)*

Fri 20th March 7pm: *Hugh Thompson (A)*

Sat 21st March 12noon: *Patrick Smyth (A)*

Sat 21st March 6pm Vigil: *Sheila Murtagh (A)*

ST BRIGID'S LENTEN PROGRAMME

Morning Prayer: Monday - Friday at 7.30am in the Church

Pray the Rosary: 20 Minutes before each Weekday Mass

Understanding the Sacrament of Penance

Meeting in the parish Centre after Mass on Tuesdays of Lent beginning 24th February.
Cup of Tea/Coffee and a talk (30-40minutes) All Welcome

Women's Prayer Group: Wednesday's at 7.30pm in No 40 Derryvolgie Ave

Divine Mercy: Each Friday during Lent at 3.00pm in the Church

Parish Penitential Service: Palm Sunday, 29th March, at 4pm

Trócaire Family Fast Boxes: Available in the Church porch

Daily Prayer: Download 'Lectio 356' from the App store

South East Belfast Vicariate

You are invited to join the priests of our parishes in the Vicariate for the praying of Evening Prayer on the Sunday's of Lent in this Jubilee of Hope. Evening Prayer takes approximately 20 minutes. Let us support each other with our presence and prayer.

4th Sunday of Lent (15th March)	7.30pm	St Matthew's
5th Sunday of Lent (22nd March)	7.30pm	St Malachy's
6th Sunday of Lent (29th March)	7.30pm	St Colmcille's

'Baptised and Sent'

Pastoral Letter from Bishop Alan McGuckian SJ

The season of Lent invites us to rediscover this truth. Over forty days, the Church asks us to remember who we are as God's children and how we can live out this identity. We do this as we prepare to renew our baptismal promises at the Easter Vigil.

When we gather at Easter to renew our baptismal promises, I pray that all of us, throughout the diocese, will do so with hearts on fire. The world needs our witness. It needs each one of us to live out the call of our Baptism. Our Christian witness — lived authentically and joyfully — is the gift the world is waiting for.

Read the [Full Pastoral Letter](#) on our **Parish Website** – [News Section](#)

**The Parish Office will be closed:
Monday 16th March and Tuesday 17th March.**

Happy St Patrick's Day!



St Patrick's Day, Tuesday 17th March

Mass Times: Monday 7pm (Vigil) and Tuesday 9.30am
Shamrocks will be available in the church porch.

Please Note: *There will be no morning prayer on Tuesday morning.*



St Brigid's One World Group

www.stbrigidsowg.com

Purchase of Cataract Removal Machine for Kabgayi Eye Hospital in Rwanda

We are delighted to be able to tell you that Doctors Olivia Earley and Katherine McGinnity with some help from our Group, including the recent raffle, raised all the money needed to purchase the cataract removal machine for Rwanda.

There was a lot of bureaucracy around the importation and delivery of the machine but, somewhat miraculously, everything came together and its arrival at the hospital coincided with Olivia's arrival last week!

The machine has now been installed and Dr Michael Mikhail has written to us from the hospital as follows

Dear St Brigid's

We are delighted to let you know that the Legion machine arrived safely on Friday, and we performed our first case on it yesterday.

On behalf of the Kabgayi Eye Unit team, we would like to express our sincere gratitude to St Brigid's One World Group for facilitating this donation and for your generosity in supporting the remaining costs. Your kindness is already making a real difference to the care we are able to provide to our patients.

With our warmest thanks for your support.

Michael