

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

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 9th February: £7281.57

Thank you for your continued support

Offertory Envelopes and Standing Orders

Next month we will be distributing our Parish Offertory Envelopes for the new tax year. If you are not already receiving a box of Offertory Envelopes and would like to, please let Lisa know in the Parish Office.

Many parishioners have availed of our **Standing Order option** to donate to the parish. If you would like to set this up instead, please contact the Parish Office for a form.

For those who have already set up a Standing Order or receive Offertory Envelopes and wish to sign up to **Gift Aid** (or renew their declaration), please follow the link for the Gift Aid Form forms.office.com/e/AJD5uk2HGz or contact the Parish Office.



Saint Brigid's Parish

6th Sunday in Ordinary Time
16th February 2025, Year C, Psalter Week 2

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6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Reading from the prophet Jeremiah Jer 17:5-8

A curse on the man who puts his trust in man, a blessing on the man who puts his trust in the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 1:1-4,6

R/. Happy the man who has placed his trust in the Lord.

Second Reading: From the letter of St Paul to the Corinthians 1 Cor 15:12.16-20

If Christ has not been raised, your believing is useless.

Gospel: Gospel according to Luke Lk 6:17.20-26

How happy are you who are poor. Alas for you who are rich.

Anniversary List

Please pray for all those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Naoise Moriarty, Michael Walls, John Cassidy, James Murphy, Gloria O'Kane, Joan Smyth, Theresa McGonigal

May they rest in peace

Please Note

The Parish Office will be closed Friday 21st and Monday 24th February.

Please have any Notices for next Sunday's Bulletin left into the office by 12 noon Thursday 20th February. Thank you.

Lay Dominican Meeting

The next meeting of the Lay Dominicans will be on **Monday 17th February at 7.35pm** in Parish Centre. All newcomers welcome without any commitment!

Women of St Brigid's Walking Together

Our women's Prayer Group meets on the 3rd Wednesday of each month in No40 Derryvolgie Ave from 7.30pm to 8.30pm. **Our next meeting is Wednesday 19th February.**

We begin with a cup of tea and a chat. This is followed by looking at a piece of Scripture and sharing our thoughts around it. We finish with a period of silence when we simply rest in God's presence. Come and See!

We will begin our Lenten Journey on Wednesday 5th March (Ash Wednesday) and meet weekly. More details to follow.

ALPHA COURSE

Alpha is a series of sessions exploring the Christian faith. Each talk looks at a different question around faith and is designed to create conversation. No two Alphas look the same, but generally they have three key things in common: food, a talk and good conversation.

Alpha Begins Thursday 20th February at 7.00pm in St Brides Parish Centre

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

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**.

2025 Sunday Missal's and Diocesan Directory's are available in the Church Porch. There are limited copies available.

Diocesan Directory: £4 each Sunday Missal: £5 each

- please put money into the Newspaper basket

Creative Writing for Absolute Beginners 📝👍

Interested in exploring creative writing? The Parish Community Association with Naomh Bríd GAA is offering a **six-week course** just for absolute beginners—no experience needed!



Dates: Thursdays, 6 March – 10 April



Time: 7:30–9:30 PM



Location: Parish Centre



Max Participants: 10



Cost: £40 for the full course



Facilitator: Niall Conway

Limited spots available—email stbrigidsra@gmail.com or text 07711353671 to express an interest!

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)