



Saint Brigid's Parish

Pastoral Community of South and East Belfast

Twenty Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
18th September 2022, Year C, Psalter Week 1

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First Reading: Reading from the Prophet Amos Am 8:4-7
Against those who 'buy up the poor for money'.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 112:1-2.4-8

R/. Praise the Lord, who raises the poor.

Second Reading: Reading from the letter of St Paul to Timothy 1 Tim 2:1-8
There should be prayers offered for everyone to God, who wants everyone to be saved.

Gospel: Gospel according to Luke Lk 16:1-13
You cannot be a slave both of God and of money.

Anniversary List

Please pray for Geraldine Donnelly and Bernard Butcher recently deceased, and for all those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Joseph Murtagh, Kathleen and John Devine, May Kennedy, Anne Sealy, Paddy Brannigan, Annie Mallon, Mary Brannigan, Eva Kennedy, Theresa Wells and the parents of Baby Beatrice Grace McDowell

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 pm

Friday: 6.30 pm – 7.00 pm

Saturday: 12.30 pm – 1.00 pm &
5.30 pm – 6:00 pm

Baptisms

1st & 3rd Sunday of the Month at 1.30pm
Please contact the Parish Office to book

Marriages

At least 6 months' notice required prior to date of Marriage.
Please contact Fr O'Donnell

Eucharistic Adoration

Monday: 7.30 pm – 8.00 pm

PARISH OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Weekly Collection 11th September: £4266.35



Thank you for your continued support

Bulletin Notices and Anniversaries

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



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](#)*

National Synod of the Church in Ireland

Thank you to all who made submissions to the recent Synod questionnaire. The responses have been collated, and we are beginning to plan the next phase. In due course we will make a submission from the parish to the National Synod of Ireland. Keep an eye on the Parish Bulletin for further information.

ST BRIGID'S COMMUNITY CHOIR

You are warmly invited to join us for the restart of the **St Brigids Community Choir on Tuesday 20th September at 7.30 pm in St Brides Hall.**



We sing a variety of musical styles from traditional to sacred and from pop to classical. There are no auditions, we do it for enjoyment and we are delighted to have Marcella Walsh (who leads the music at Sunday 9.30 am Mass and is responsible for the Chaplaincy Canticle choir) as our new leader/ director. Cost is £3 per evening, pay as you go, as before. We look forward to seeing some of you there.

Lay Dominicans

The next meeting of the Lay Dominicans will be on **Monday 19th September in the Parish Centre at 7.45 pm.** *New members very welcome!*

GIFT – Growing in Faith Together

A BIG thank you to everyone who took part in the GIFT programmes in 2021/22. It could not have happened without the goodwill of all the volunteers or indeed the young people who took part so enthusiastically.

The Dates for GIFT 2022/2023 are:

- GIFT 5:** 2nd – 23rd October
- GIFT 2:** 6th – 27th November
- GIFT 1:** 15th January – 5th February
- GIFT 4:** 12th March – 2nd April
- GIFT 3:** 23rd April – 14th May



If you have not been involved in the GIFT programme and would like to join, please get in touch through the Parish Office. We look forward to welcoming all our young people back and meeting our new GIFT members soon.

Women's Prayer Group

Once a month a group of women from the Parish have been meeting to pray together and reflect on a passage from Scripture. It has been a wonderful experience and a gift to take time and space from our busy lives to just " *be* " together. It is a gentle, peaceful hour with a cuppa at the end and a chat.



Our next meeting is **Wednesday 28th September at 8pm** and will be held in the meeting room at **No40 Derryvolgie Ave.**

Please do not hesitate to contact me for further details 07718263019 – Mary Carson. Everyone most welcome.

Short Book Club Returns

Do you like reading and having a chat about books with others? Then please come and join us as we return from summer break. The first meeting of the new season will be on **Wednesday 28 September**. This is a week later than our usual third Wednesday of the month but the normal routine will be restored in October.

We will meet in **St Bride's Hall at 10:10 am** (after morning Mass). Existing - **and especially new** - members will be welcome and we will have tea/coffee for you all.

The book we will be discussing is **Blackwatertown** by **Paul Waters**. Don't worry if you haven't caught up with reading it; the main object is meeting and chatting. **See you there!**

Catholic Chaplaincy at QUB

The Chaplaincy at Queen's University Belfast has reopened for the new academic year. Open during term from **10am to 10pm Monday through Thursday and Fridays 10am to 3pm**, the Chaplaincy provides vital pastoral and faith supports to students, offering them a home-from-home during their time at University. More on what's on offer can be found at qubcatholic.org. **Mosaic Café** is open Monday through Friday from 10am to 3pm. Spread the word, especially with any incoming or returning students!

Chaplaincy Mass Times

Monday, Wednesday & Friday: 1.05pm **Sunday Mass:** 8.00pm
Tuesday & Thursday: 5.15pm

'Liturgy after Covid – Approaches to Liturgy in light of our experience of the Pandemic'

A one-day Seminar hosted by Down and Connor Liturgy Commission in **St Brigid's Parish Hall**, 38 Derryvolgie Avenue, **on Saturday 8th October**.
Registration at 9.30am with the Seminar running from 10.30am to 4.30pm.

The Diocese of Down and Connor Liturgy Commission warmly invites clergy, permanent deacons and those in liturgical ministry, in particular Ministers of the Word, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion and members of Parish Pastoral Councils in the Diocese of Down and Connor to attend this Seminar. The cost is £10 per person and tea/coffee will be provided. Please bring a packed lunch.

To help with seating and other arrangements, please contact Malachy McKeever by email at liturgy@downandconnor.org if you are attending. Thank you.

Job Vacancy: SACRISTAN **For St Brigid's Parish**



A vacancy has arisen for a Sacristan within St Brigid's Parish, where the responsibilities in the role will include:

- ❖ The maintenance of the sacristy where the church's liturgical items are kept including vestments, sacred vessels, and books etc.
- ❖ Ensuring that the sanctuary is set up for mass, other services, baptisms, and funerals, ensuring all the requisite books and sacramental vessels etc. are in place, and that afterwards the sanctuary is cleared, and the church is left secure and tidy.

The role is a permanent appointment requiring 16 hours attendance each week, work pattern to be agreed. Ability to work flexible hours is required from the post holder from time to time.

Full details relating to the vacancy can be found on the Diocesan website at: downandconnor.org/job-vacancies/ or visit our Parish Website: stbrigidsparishbelfast.org/news

Closing date for applications will be 12.00 noon on Thursday 29th September

The Parish Third World Group is extremely grateful to all who contributed so generously to our collection last weekend

To date we have raised £37,158 including gift aid

This will help us to continue to support beneficiaries such as Sister Celestina in Ethiopia.

She tells us that our donations have brought joy and dignity to the poor and have made a great difference in their lives but that there has already been a 300% rise in the cost of basic food in Ethiopia and they are struggling to continue to help the people to survive.

For information on how to help, please phone Kevin Flanagan on 07525634440



Veritas publications invites you to the launch of

A TRAVELLER PASSING THROUGH

**Reflections from
the Holy Land**

by Ruth Patterson

St Bride's Parish Hall,
Derryvolgie Avenue, Belfast BT9 6FP
Friday, 7 October 2022 at 7.00 p.m.

The book will be launched by Rev Steve Stockman

