



# Saint Brigid's Parish

Pastoral Community of South and East Belfast

## Third Sunday of Lent

20<sup>th</sup> March 2022, Year C, Psalter Week 3

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## Third Sunday of Lent

**First Reading:** Reading from the book of Exodus Ex 3:1-8.13-15  
*I Am has sent me to you.*

**Responsorial Psalm:** Ps 102:1-4.6-8.11  
*R/. The Lord is compassion and love.*

**Second Reading:** Reading from letter of St Paul to the Corinthians 1 Cor 10:1-6.10-12  
*The life of the people under Moses in the desert was written down to be a lesson for us.*

**Gospel:** Gospel according to Luke Lk 13:1-9  
*Unless you repent you will all perish as they did.*

## Anniversary List

**Please pray for** Gerard McSorley recently deceased, Hugh Niblock and Paddy Campbell whose month's mind it is; and for all those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Dermot McGale, Patrick O'Neill, Frances Connor, John O'Sullivan, Hugh Thompson, Jim McSparran, Brian Meenan, Sheila Murtagh, Michael Agnew, Julia Agnew, Patrick Agnew, John Thompson Snr, Francis Ward, James and Nan McAleenan, James and Kathleen Tohill, Patrick Smyth

*May they rest in peace*

## Bulletin Notices and Anniversary's

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

## 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

1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the Month  
Please contact the Parish Office

### 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 13<sup>th</sup> March: £3897.00**

*Thank you for your continued support.*

## Join The Conversation and Have Your Say!

St Brigid's Parish invites us all to share our experiences as part of our response to the Pope's invitation. We begin our journey together, by initiating a conversation, and by asking you to provide some basic information, and to reflect on some questions as you do so.

To Join the Conversation please visit: [stbrigidsparishbelfast.org/synod](http://stbrigidsparishbelfast.org/synod) to complete our questionnaire or pick up a printed copy from the Parish office or at the back of the church.



## SCHOOL CONFIRMATION

Confirmation will take place on **Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> March** and **Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> March** for P7 pupils of St Brides PS and **Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> March** for our Ashleigh Group pupils.

*Please pray for all our Parish Children making their Confirmation this month.*

## Preparing for Easter – Celebrating the Sacrament of Penance

During Lent we prepare for the celebration of Easter. One important way of doing so is availing of the joyous opportunity for Confession.

During Lent, Confessions are at the usual times:

**Monday: 7.30pm – 8.00pm**

**Friday: 6.30pm – 7.00pm**

**Saturday: 12.30pm – 1.00pm & 5.30pm -6.00pm.**

The following times are also offered:

**Saturday, 26<sup>th</sup> March: 12.30pm – 4.00pm**

**Tuesday & Wednesday of Holy Week: 10.00am – 10.30am.**

## **G.I.F.T. – Growing in Faith Together**

**GIFT 4 is starting this Sunday (20<sup>th</sup> March) and will run from 6.30pm – 8.00pm each Sunday for the 4 weeks.**

The theme of the GIFT 1 Programme is:

*“Looking after me!”*

If you have not been involved in the GIFT programme and would like to join, please get in touch through the Parish Office or our GIFT Coordinators. Consent forms are available from the Parish Office or can be download from the Parish website and must be signed by parent/guardian. [stbrigidparishbelfast.org/GIFT](http://stbrigidparishbelfast.org/GIFT)

EVERYONE is welcome as we try to walk in faith with our young people, building connection, community and a sense of belonging to our Parish. If you would like to volunteer, please get in touch to find out more through the Parish Office.

*We would also encourage the children to do a lateral flow test before attending and to also bring a mask.*

**GIFT Leaders**

## Humanitarian relief for the people of Ukraine

The Bishops of Ireland have asked for a National Church Collection to be taken up throughout Ireland at all Masses on the weekend of 26th/27th March.

**The Parish Third World Group has agreed to organise this in St Brigid’s.**

Gift Aid envelopes will be distributed at all Masses on 19/20 March and collected on 26/27 March.

Meanwhile, we keep those affected by the war in Ukraine in your daily prayers.

#PrayForPeace  
#PrayForUkraine



## Lay Dominicans

The next meeting will be held on **Monday 21<sup>st</sup> March at 7.45pm** in **St Bride’s Hall**. New members welcome!

## OFFERTORY ENVELOPES 2022-2023

The **Parish Offertory Envelopes** are currently being distributed.

If you would like to avail of our **Standing Order option** please contact the parish office. The standing order form can be download from our website at this link: [stbrigidparishbelfast.org/Standing-Order](http://stbrigidparishbelfast.org/Standing-Order) or picked up from the office.

*We have been in contact with Runners who assisted last year but we do need some new volunteers also, if would like to help with the distribution of boxes in your area please get in touch with Lisa in the Parish Office. Thank you for your support.*



## Trócaire Boxes

Trócaire boxes are available in the church entrance.  
Please take a box if you can. Thank you.

### Double your impact with UK Aid Match

Your love can make all the difference this Lent. Donations from Northern Ireland or the UK made before 1st June 2022 will be doubled by the UK government up to £2m.



Donations can also be made online at [trocaire.org/donations/now/](https://trocaire.org/donations/now/)

## Housebound and Sick Parishioners

Now that many of the restrictions regarding Covid-19 have been relaxed, we are anxious to begin our monthly visits to the housebound and sick in the parish.

Those who would like a visit, please contact the office, or ask a relative to do so on your behalf. Thank you.

## **DOWN and CONNOR DIOCESAN TRUST**

### **VACANCY: INTERNAL AUDITOR**

We are looking to recruit an Internal Auditor who will develop and execute a structured audit methodology across the Diocesan Trust network of Parishes, ensuring that financial accuracy, internal controls and regulatory compliance are continually challenged and maintained.

This is an excellent opportunity and challenge for an individual who is ready to make their mark in the establishment of this new and exciting role, where the terms are based on a permanent appointment requiring 35 hours attendance each week, Monday to Friday. Salary: £25,000 - £34,000 (Depending on qualifications and experience).

To apply, or for more details, please visit: [downandconnor.org/job-vacancies](https://downandconnor.org/job-vacancies)

**Closing date for applications will be 12 noon on Thursday 31st March 2022**

*Down and Connor Diocesan Trust is an Equal Opportunities Employer*

# Special Collection for Ukraine



**Weekend of 26 -27  
March 2022**



**"In the name of God I ask  
you: stop this massacre!"  
- Pope Francis**

**The proceeds of this Special Collection will be directed to  
Caritas Internationalis which is the helping hand of the  
Church on the ground in Ukraine and surrounding areas.**



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