

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 15th March: £5688.43

Needy Parishes Collection: £2232.50

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.

Phone: 02890 665409 or email: stbrigids@downandconnor.org



Saint Brigid's Parish

Fifth Sunday of Lent
22nd March 2026, Year A

Parish Priest: Fr Edward O'Donnell **Tel:** 028 9066 5409

Parish Office: 028 9066 5409; (9 am - 1 pm Weekdays)

Address: 40 Derryvolgie Avenue, Belfast, BT9 6FP

Email: stbrigids@downandconnor.org **Website:** stbrigidsparishbelfast.org

Livestream/Webcam: youtube.com/@stbrigidsparishbelfast



Fifth Sunday of Lent

First Reading: Reading from the prophet Ezekiel Ezk 37:12-14
I shall put my spirit in you, and you will live.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 129

With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.

Second Reading: Reading from the St Paul to the Romans Rm 8:8-11
The Spirit from of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you.

Gospel: According to John Jn 11:1-45
I am the resurrection and the life.

Anniversary List

Please pray for Colette McGrory and Claire Lambe recently deceased; Marie O'Kane and Henry Ritchie whose month's mind it is and for those whose anniversaries are at this time: Sheila Murtagh, Dermot McGale, Jim McSparran, Patrick Smyth, Colette Kennedy, Michael, Julie, and Patrick Agnew, Muredach Dynan, Gerry Huddleston, Paul Bready, Sarah Keyland, Vera Smyth;

May they rest in peace

Mass Intentions for week ahead:

Mon 23rd March 7pm: *Muredach Dynan (A)*

Tues 24th March 9.30am: *Gerry Huddleston (A)*

Wed 25th March 9.30am: *Paul Bready (A) & Funeral Mass for Colette McGrory*

Thurs 26th March 9.30am: *Sarah Keyland (A)*

Fri 27th March 7pm: *Vera Smyth (A)*

Sat 28th March 12noon: *Charlie McGettigan (A)*

ST BRIGID'S LENTEN PROGRAMME

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

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.

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

Holy Week and Easter 2026

Palm Sunday 29th March: 6 pm (Vigil)
9.30 am and 12 noon

Parish Penitential Service: 4 pm

Monday 28th March: 7.00 pm

Tuesday 31st March: 9.30 am

Wednesday 1st April: 9.30 am

There will be an opportunity for confessions after all masses

Chrism Mass (1st April): 12 noon at St Peter's Cathedral

Holy Thursday (2nd April)

Mass of the Lord's Supper: **7.00 pm**

PLEASE NOTE: *There will be no 9.30am mass on Holy Thursday*

Vigil of Prayer: after Mass until 7.00am on Good Friday (*see separate notice*)

Good Friday (3rd April):

Celebration of the Lord's Passion: **3.00 pm**

Keeping Station at the Cross: **7.30 pm**

Holy Saturday (4th April):

Easter Vigil Mass of the Resurrection: **9.00 pm**

PLEASE NOTE: *There will be no 12noon or 6 pm Vigil Mass on Holy Saturday*

Easter Sunday (5th April): 9.30 am and 12 noon



Holy Week

HOLY WEEK – VIGIL OF PRAYER

Holy Thursday into Good Friday

Parishioners are warmly invited to commit to **just one hour of prayer** during our **12-hour Vigil of Prayer**, beginning after the **Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday (7.00pm)** and continuing through the night until **7.00am on Good Friday**.

Inspired by the words of Jesus in the Garden of Gethsemane — “*Stay here and keep watch with me*” (Matthew 26:38) — this Vigil offers an opportunity to accompany Christ during the sacred hours of His Passion.

Each hour will be led by different parish groups and will include **guided reflections, the Rosary, Prayer of the Faithful, silent prayer and Taizé chants**. **Flyers with the full vigil schedule will be available in the church porch.**

Please consider offering **one hour of your time** to keep watch with the Lord during this most sacred time of the Church's year.

All are welcome.

Food Bank Collection Easter Appeal

Please note the change of date for April Foodbank collection.

St Brigid's support to the South Belfast foodbank makes a huge difference to the lives of people living in poverty. Non perishable food items can be donated after all Masses on the **28th/29th March 2026**. The March collection weighed in at 307.1kgs.

Thank you for your support.

List of **items currently most needed:** *Tinned fish; Tinned meat; Tinned fruit; Tinned soup; Rice; Cooking sauces; Tea; Coffee; Long life juice; UHT milk; Jam/Honey/Spreads; Biscuits; Detergent; Toilet roll; Toiletries*

Children's Liturgy Registration Sunday (No Classes)

Registration for Children wishing to attend Children Liturgy will be held at all masses on **28th/29th March 2026**.