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		Baptisms		
Monday:	7.30 pm – 8.00 pm	1 st & 3 rd Sunday of the Month at 1.30pm		
Friday:	6.30 pm – 7.00 pm	Please contact the Parish Office to book		
Saturday:	12.30 pm – 1.00 pm &	(One month's notice required)		
	5.30 pm – 6:00 pm	Marriages		
		At least 6 months' notice required prior		
Eucharistic Adoration		to date of Marriage.		
Monday:	7.30 pm – 8.00 pm	Please contact Fr O'Donnell		

PARISH OFFERTORY COLLECTION

(Total includes Basket Collections, Standing Orders and Dona Donations)

Weekly Collection 16th March: £4757.00 **Neddy Parishes Collection:** £2518.10

Thank you for your continued support

Parish Baptism Team

There will be a meeting on **Monday 24th March** at **7.30pm** in No40 Derryvolgie Ave (Parish Office) for all members of the Baptism Team.

Lay Dominican Meeting

The next meeting of the Lay Dominicans will be on **Monday 24th March at 7.35pm in Parish Centre.** All newcomers welcome without any commitment!



Saint Brigid's Parish

Third Sunday of Lent

23rd March 2025, Year C, Psalter Week 3

Parish Priest: Fr Edward O'Donnell Tel: 028 9066 5409
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Livestream/Webcam: youtube.com/@stbrigidsparishbelfast

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: 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 those whose anniversaries are at this time: Patrick Smyth, Dermot McGale, Sheila Murtagh, Hugh Thompson, Jim McSparran, Gerry Huddleston, Paul Bready, James O'Neill, Gerard McSorley, Martin McLaughlin, Charlie Lavery, James & Kathleen Tohill, James and Nan McAleenan, Sarah Keyland

May they rest in peace

Welcome into the Church and Parish Family:

Cara Rose Gillen, Annie Isobel Hackett, Sophia Grace McGuigan, Éabha Meadhbh Diffin, Rory Steven Hunter, Seamus Patrick O'Reilly, Eilidh Goudy, Harley Edward Roy Hillerby, Archie Gary Donald, Darragh Conor Raymond Eastwood

who were recently Baptised in St Brigid's



ST BRIGID'S LENTEN PROGRAMME

Morning Prayer

Monday to Friday at 7.30am in the Church

Understanding the Liturgy of the Mass

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

Women Walking Together Through Lent

Each Wednesday, beginning 5th March, at 7.30pm in No 40 Derryvolgie Ave

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

Jubilee Lenten Reflections

Podcast By Fr Darren Brennan – available on the Down and Connor Facebook Page or YouTube Channel. Each Sunday of Lent at 7pm

24 Hours for the Lord

St Mary's Chapel Lane, Saturday 29th March, Confessions all day from 11am to 5.30pm (Mass at 1.00pm) Priests available throughout this time.

Parish Penitential Service: Palm Sunday, 13th April, at 4pm

South East Belfast Vicariate

Night Prayer on the Sunday's of Lent in this Jubilee of Hope. Night Prayer takes approximately 20 minutes. Let us support each other with our presence and prayer.

3 rd Sunday of Lent (23 rd March)	8pm	Holy Rosary
4 th Sunday of Lent (30 th March)	8pm	St Malachy's
5 th Sunday of Lent (6 th April)	8pm	Carryduff
6 th Sunday of Lent (13 th April)	8pm	St Colmcille's

GIFT 4– Growing in Faith Together

GIFT 4 programme will start back THIS **Sunday 23rd March** from **6.30pm – 8.00pm in the Parish Hall**. The programme will run for 4 consecutive weeks finishing on Sunday 13th April 2025. GIFT 4 is for Children in Year 11.

Parents who have already signed up have been contacted by email through the parish office. If you have not been involved in the GIFT programme and would like to join, please get in touch with the Parish Office. We look forward to meeting our new GIFT members and parents in the new year!

Pilgrims of Hope - 24 Hours for the Lord

A key moment in this Jubilee Year 2025 is the celebration of **"24 hours for the Lord".** This is an initiative of Pope Francis who writes, "special care should be taken to prepare priests and faithful to celebrate the sacrament of Confession and to make it readily available in its individual form" (SNC 5).

In Down and Connor "24 Hours for the Lord" will be celebrated on Saturday, 29th March, in three centres:

St Mary's Church, Belfast, from 11.00am until 5.30pm; All Saints Church, Ballymena, from 12 noon until 5.30pm; St Patrick's, Church Downpatrick. 10.30am until 4.00pm.

Priests will be available for confession throughout those times indicated.

"24 Hours for the Lord" well presented, and promoted, in our parishes, will be welcomed by the faithful – particularly by those for whom the habit of Confession has been broken by the recent pandemic. Those who journey to one or other of the churches mentioned, are participating in the Holy Year as "pilgrims of hope" seeking a "genuine, personal encounter with the Lord Jesus, the "door" of our salvation" (SNC 1). To facilitate 24 Hours for the Lord". the midday station of Confession, traditional in most parishes, is cancelled for that day, as our priests will be assisting with confessions in the three centres mentioned.

St Luke's Neocatechumenal Youth Pilgrimage

"Dear Fr O'Donnell, Big massive thank you to you and all your parishioners who contributed to the sale of Shamrocks. The total raised was £702.04 + 93 euro"

Rathmore Grammar School

Grand Sale for Trócaire - Wednesday 9 April 2025 (6.30 pm- 9.00 pm)

Rathmore Grammar School warmly welcomes you to join us for an evening of fun and games in our Grand Sale for Trócaire on **Wednesday 9 April from 6.30 pm to 9.00 pm.**

Please join us for amazing prizes on our Rickety Wheel and Tombola or pick yourself up a bargain in our various stalls including easter eggs, children's books and toys, cakes and buns and bottles galore. All proceeds in aid of Trócaire. If you or your business are in a position to donate or contribute prizes to such a worthy cause, please contact the school info@rathmoregs.belfast.ni.sch.uk (all donations will be acknowledged on the evening).