



Celebrating the Liturgy

Mass Times

Saturday: 6 pm (Vigil Mass)
Sunday: 9.30am & 12 noon

Weekday Masses

Monday: 7:00 pm
Tuesday: 9.30 am
Wednesday: 9.30 am
Thursday: 9.30 am
Friday: 7:00 pm
Saturday: 12 noon

Confessions

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

1 months' notice required
Please contact the Parish Office

Marriages

6 months' notice required.
Please contact Fr O'Donnell

Contact St Brigid's Parish

Parish Priest: Fr Edward O'Donnell Tel: 028 9066 5409
Parish Office: Tel: 028 9066 5409; (9am - 1pm Weekdays/voicemail after 1pm)
Email: stbrigids@downandconnor.org
Parish Website: stbrigidsparishbelfast.org
 [@stbrigidsparishbelfast](https://www.facebook.com/stbrigidsparishbelfast)

St Brides Hall: Call Paul on 07964265294

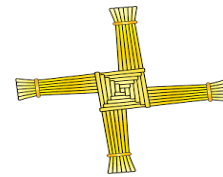
Electronic Mailing List – Click HERE to Sign up

Join our Mailing List to receive the Parish Bulletin and be kept up to date on news and events in St Brigid's!



Bulletin Notices

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



Saint Brigid's Parish

Pastoral Community of South and East Belfast

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

25th October 2020, Year A, Psalter Week 2

First Reading: Reading from the book of Exodus Ex 22:20-26
If you are harsh with the widow, the orphan, my anger will flare against you.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 17:2-4.47.51
R/. I love you, Lord, my strength.

Second Reading: First letter from St Paul to the Thessalonians 1 Th 1:5-10
You broke my idolatry and became servants of God; you are now waiting for his Son.

Gospel: Gospel according to Matthew Mt 22:34-40
You must love the Lord your God and your neighbour as yourself.

Anniversary List

Please pray for all those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Paul Smyth, Liam Flanigan, Liam Kelly, Daniel Macauley, James Kelly, Jack Campbell, Conor Gilligan, Libby Green, Claire Gribben, Larry Gribben, John Irvine, Brendan O'Hare

May they rest in peace

PARISH OFFERINGS

Weekly Offering 11th October: £4353.00
Weekly Offering 18th October: £3450.50
Mission Sunday 18th October: £2148.50

Thank you for your continued generosity and support.

Don't Forget – Clocks go back this weekend!

The clocks will go **back** one hour on Sunday 25th October at 2am



Safeguarding Sunday

This year, as Bishop of the Diocese, I have designated this **Sunday, 25th October**, as 'Safeguarding Sunday'. This will be an opportunity for all the parishes to pray together and acknowledge the dedication of hundreds of Volunteers in our parishes who serve in the ministry of Safeguarding across the Diocese. During the celebration of the Sunday liturgy we will also renew our commitment to the pastoral care of victims of abuse of every kind as well as young people and adults in our parishes. On **Sunday 25th October, 7pm**, parishioners are invited to join online the celebration of Evening Prayer, led by Bishop Noel Treanor, from St. Peter's Cathedral, Belfast. To join, kindly follow the links to the Cathedral webcam: <http://www.churchservices.tv/stpeterscathedral>

A Prayer for Healing Victims of Abuse

Holy Spirit, comforter of hearts,
heal your people's wounds
and transform brokenness into wholeness.
Grant us the courage and wisdom,
humility and grace, to act with justice.
Breathe wisdom into our prayers and labours.
Grant that all harmed by abuse,
may find peace in justice.
We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

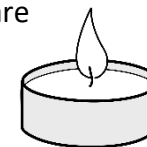
The St Brigids Parish Safeguarding Committee (PSC)

Safeguarding is and should always be a shared responsibility amongst us all.

The Parish Safeguarding Committee's primary role is in ensuring that our parish is a safe and welcoming place for children and adults at risk of harm and a place of encouragement and support for all those working with them. The PSC has a pivotal role in ensuring that statutory guidance is followed, and best practice in recruitment and vetting and training of parish volunteers. In St Brigid's PSC we are supported in promoting a culture of safeguarding by group leaders, volunteers, and parishioners and by the Diocesan Safeguarding Committee. The PSC, thanks you all for your continued support for the work that we do. The PSC can be contacted through the Parish Office - Fr Edward O'Donnell (Parish Priest), Sheila McGivern (Chair), Pauline Forker (Secretary) JP Irvine, Aine McKeating, Mary Murphy, Geraldine O'Hare.

November - Month of the Holy Souls

During November, Masses will be offered for those whose names are included in the November lists of the dead. Envelopes and lists are available in the porch. Please leave completed envelopes in the box provided – all envelopes are opened and gratefully acknowledged.



November Pledge

Many people choose to abstain from alcohol during November and offer up their sacrifice for their deceased relatives and friends. You can do likewise. Please consider taking the short-term **Pledge for November** and say the prayer daily:

"I promise in honour of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and with the help of the Blessed Virgin Mary to abstain from all alcoholic drink during November".

Feast of All Saints – Sunday 1st November 2020

Normal Sunday Mass times

All Souls Day – Monday 2nd November 2020

Mass: 7 pm

Mass for the Deceased Teachers of Down and Connor

Will be Streamed Live on **Wednesday 4th November 2020 at 7.30pm** from the Church of Mater Dei, Cliftonville Road, Belfast Via: 'Diocese of Down and Connor - YouTube' channel at: www.youtube.com/channel/UCEHEomhU03Y91gGFQu2-JYA

Please forward by **Monday 2nd November 2020** the name of any teacher from the Diocese who has died during the past twelve months for inclusion in the Mass.

TO: Fr Edward McGee - dtrusteeservice@downandconnor.org / 028 9049 1886

Use of Face Coverings in Church

Due to **Government Legislation**, the wearing of face coverings is **mandatory** at all Masses and all other liturgical celebrations in church, along with continuing to observe the 2-metre social distancing rule.

Some people are exempted from the wearing of face coverings, as outlined at <https://www.nidirect.gov.uk/articles/coronavirus-covid-19-face-coverings>

Funeral and Wedding Restrictions

Following the government announcement, from Friday 16th October numbers attending **Funerals** and **Weddings** is now limited to **25 persons**.

These restrictions will last four weeks from 16th October.

Seating capacity for mass services and baptisms remain unchanged

Mass in St. Brigid's Parish

Some things to keep in mind when attending Mass:

- The seating capacity of the Church is 120;
- Observe social distancing and use the sanitizer at the Church Entrance;
- Face coverings are mandatory;
- The Church doors are closed at one minute before Mass – the Church cannot be entered once Mass begins;
- Take a seat and remain there until the end of Mass; children must remain with their parents, and in the seat, at all times;
- Do not sit beside anyone who is not a member of your household;
- For those who wish to receive Holy Communion, remain in your seat and Holy Communion will be brought to you; Holy Communion is to be received in the hand;
- When leaving the Church follow the instructions and leave according to the indicated “One-way” system;
- Anyone with cold-like symptoms must not enter the Church;
- Those with underlying health issues are advised to remain at home;
- Toilet facilities are not available;
- Holidaymakers returning from other countries should not attend mass for two weeks.

Chaplaincy at QUB

The Catholic Chaplaincy at QUB is open for mass, St Brigid's parishioners are welcome to attend mass in the Chaplaincy.

Morning Mass: 8.15 am

Monday, Wednesday, and Friday

Evening Mass: 5.15 pm

Tuesday and Thursday

Sunday Mass: 8 pm

Ph: 028 9066 9737 E: qubcc@downandconnor.org  [@CatholicChaplaincyQUB](https://www.facebook.com/CatholicChaplaincyQUB)

St. Brigid's Apostolic Work

We would like to thank all parishioners who gave generously to the collection on Mission Sunday. The Apostolic Work website for Down and Connor is now up and running and continues to operate if you would like to support those in need during this difficult time. For more information and to donate online go to:

apostolicworkdc.com – **Donate**

You can also donate through your bank by a single payment or set up a standing order and credit Apostolic Work,

Account No: 00067017 at A.I.B **Sort code:** 93-80-92

Cheques made payable to Apostolic work indicating St. Brigid's on all payments.

If you are a taxpayer and wish to gift aid your donation, please insert your name house number and post code in the reference box when making your payment.

Donations are used for Church; School building; Education; Transport; Orphanages; Training of Catechists; Novices & Seminarians; Street children; Food projects; Water projects; Medical care and Hospice care.

Further information available from Thérèse O'Reilly through the parish office. Thank you for your continued support and God Bless you all.

LIVING YOUTH

Parish GIFT 'Shorts' Videos

Check out Living Youth on Facebook or at www.livingyouth.co.uk to see the New Parish GIFT videos during November and December. Tune in on **Wed 4th Nov at 6pm** for our first video - 'All Saints and All Souls.'

