The Liturgy		
Sunday: 9	.00 pm (Vigil Mass)	Weekday MassMonday:7.00 pmTuesday:9.30 amWednesday:9.30 amThursday:9.30 amFriday:7.00 pmSaturday:12 noon
Confession		Baptisms
Monday:	7.30 pm – 8.00 pm	1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> 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
Eucharistic Adoration		At least 6 months' notice required prior
Monday:	7.30 pm – 8.00 pm	to date of Marriage.
	(Resumes 5 <sup>th</sup> May)	Please contact Fr O'Donnell

### SAVING SIGHT IN RWANDA – THANKS FOR THE SUNGLASSES!!

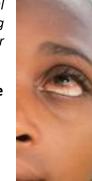
Doctors Olivia Earley, Brendan Lacey and Katherine McGinnity recently travelled to Rwanda to train doctors in Cataract, Oculoplastic and Glaucoma surgery respectively. They brought a large consignment of sunglasses and glasses donated by parishioners through the Parish One World Group.

Sunglasses are particularly beneficial for children with Vernal Keratoconjunctivitis (VKC), a prevalent allergic condition causing intolerable itchiness and photophobia, as well as many other conditions which can lead to blindness.

All are very welcome to a presentation by Olivia and Katherine about their Rwanda visit

- St Bride's Parish Hall
- Monday 12th May

- 7.40pm (Tea and coffee available from 7.15pm)





# Saint Brigid's Farish

# Second Sunday of Easter 27<sup>th</sup> April 2025, Year C

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# Second Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy Sunday)

First Reading: Reading from the Acts of the Apostles Acts 5:12-16

The numbers of men and women who came to believe in the Lord increased steadily

### Responsorial Psalm: Ps 117:2-4.22-27

R/. Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, for his love has no end.

Second Reading: Reading from the book of the Apocalypse Apo 1:9-13.17-19

I was dead and now I am to live for ever and ever.

Gospel: According to John Jn 20:19-31

Eight days later, Jesus came.

### **Anniversary List**

**Please pray for** Pope Francis, Cahal Ramsey and Brendan Murtagh recently deceased, and for all those whose anniversaries are at this time: May McGahan, Nell McManus, Lena Jackson, James McIlroy, Sarah Mulholland, David Thorogood, Sean and Annie Tynan

### May they rest in peace

### Cemetery Sunday 2025

Will take place at Milltown Cemetery on Sunday 11th May 2025 at 3pm

## Lay Dominican Meeting

The next meeting of the Lay Dominicans will be on **Monday 28th April at 7.35pm** in **Parish Centre**. All newcomers welcome without any commitment!

# DIOCESE OF DOWN & CONNOR



BISHOP ALAN MCGUCKIAN SJ BISHOP OF DOWN AND CONNOR WILL CELEBRATE SOLEMN REQUIEM MASS FOR THE HAPPY REPOSE OF THE SOUL OF POPE FRANCIS ON WEDNESDAY 30 APRIL 2025 AT 7.00PM IN ST PETER'S CATHEDRAL BELEAST

All are Welcome



# **Food Bank Collection**

Non perishable food items can be donated after all Masses on the **3rd/4th May 2025.** The food weighed in at 298.85 kgs for April collection.

Your donations make a big difference to local people in crisis.

Thank you for your support.

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

### **GIFT 3 – Growing in Faith Together**

GIFT 3 programme will start back on Sunday 4th May from 6.30pm – 8.00pm in the Parish Hall. The programme will run for 4 consecutive weeks finishing on Sunday 25th May 2025 GIFT 3 is for Children in Year 10. If you would like your child to join please contact the parish office for a consent form.

Parents who have already signed up have been contacted by email from the parish office.

### The theme for GIFT3 is:

"Friendship: How can I be a good friend?"

If you have not been involved in the GIFT programme and would like to join, please get in touch with the Parish Office.

# Mass for Pope Francis and for Young People sitting Examinations

"May the Lord grant a fitting reward to all those who have loved me and who continue to pray for me. The suffering that has marked the final part of my life, I offer to the Lord, for peace in the world and for fraternity among peoples." Pope Francis

The Parish Mass for the repose of the soul of Pope Francis will be celebrated on Monday, 28th April at 7.00pm.

This Mass was originally booked as the Annual Mass for all those sitting examinations at this time. As Pope Francis had a great love for young people, therefore, we have decided to combine both intentions - to pray for Pope Francis and to pray for our young people sitting examinations. Some of our young people will lead us in the celebration of the Eucharist. All parishioners are invited to this Mass, but particularly our young people and their families.

Pope Francis, once while addressing young people said:

"The very first words that I would like to say to every young Christian are these: Christ is alive and he wants you to be alive!

Tea/Coffee afterwards.

\*Adoration resumes next Monday, 5th May

### FEAST OF DIVINE MERCY Sunday, 27<sup>th</sup> April 2025

#### **St. Peter's Cathedral, Belfast** Rosary (2:30pm). Divine Mercy Chaplet and Holy Mass (3:00pm).

St. Paul's Church, Belfast Exposition of Blessed Sacrament, Rosary, Reflections from

St. Faustina's diary (2pm); Divine Mercy Chaplet, Benediction, Blessing of Image and Holy Mass (3pm). St. Mary's Church, Belfast

Exposition of Blessed Sacrament, Blessing of Divine Mercy Image and Divine Mercy talk (2:30pm). Divine Mercy Chaplet (3pm). Holy Mass (5pm).

### Sacred Heart Church, North Belfast

Rosary (2:15pm). Divine Mercy Chaplet, Holy Mass and Blessing with relic of St. Faustina.

