

The Liturgy

Sunday Mass

Saturday: 6.00 pm (Vigil Mass)

Sunday: 9.30 am
12.00 noon

Weekday Mass Times

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

Marriages

At least 6 months' notice required prior to date of Marriage.
Please contact Fr Sheehan

PARISH OFFERTORY COLLECTION

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

Weekly Collection 20th Sept: £4762.50

Autumn Collection 20th Sept: £2355.50

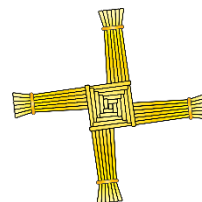
Medical Missionaries of Mary

The Medical Missionaries of Mary will be with us here at **St Brigid's Parish on the weekend of 3rd and 4th October 2026**. They will speak of their work, mainly in Africa and South America, and their mission to bring Christ's healing love to those most in need. Our parish and our diocese have supported MMM generously in the past, both in finance and in prayer, and MMM wishes to express gratitude for that support and to emphasise that we here at home are the body of mission, and those who are sent to far away places are the hands and the feet.

Help with Sunday Mass Screens

We need volunteers to operate the new screens that support singing and participation at each Sunday Mass. Simple system; training provided. Serve once every few weeks.

Send your **name, address, email, and age** to the parish office. Training sessions last about 30 minutes.



Saint Brigid's Parish

26th Sunday in O T
27th September 2026, Year A

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26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Reading from the prophet Ezekiel Ezk 18:25-28
When the sinner renounces sin, he shall certainly live.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 24:4-9
Remember your mercy Lord.

Second Reading: Reading from the St Paul to the Philippians Ph 2:1-11
In your minds you must be the same as Christ Jesus.

Gospel: According to Matthew Mt 21:28-32
He thought better of it and went. Tax collectors and prostitutes are making their way into the kingdom of God before you.

Anniversary List

Please pray for Mary Katrina McGrattan recently deceased, and for those whose anniversaries are at this time: Noel Boyle, Leo McGonigal, John Thomas, Joan Barbour-McMullen, Joe O'Neill, Maura McMullan, Dan Cullen, Rita O'Reilly, Osmunde Duffy, Ernesto Fuscuardi, Marie Allen, Theresa McCauley, Damien and Peter Berine, Angela McAllister, Ethna Wilson, Veronica Crangle, Liz and Harry Shevlin, John MacElhatton, Terry O'Kane, Nuala Dowds, Margaret Devlin, John Donaghy;

May they rest in peace

Mass Intentions for week ahead

Thurs 1st Oct 9.30am: *Special Intention*

Fri 2nd Oct 7pm: *John Donaghy (A)*

Sat 3rd Oct 6pm: *Patricia Boyle (MM)*

Dear Parishioners

Whilst reluctant to make new changes in my first year as Parish Priest, it has been suggested that in order to accommodate the possibility of Saturday morning funerals as well as accommodating weddings prior to 1.30/2.00pm that we should move the 12noon Mass on Saturday to 9.30am. (Cemetery's in the city close at 11.00am.) This would also provide the opportunity to have Baptism celebrated on a Saturday as well as a Sunday.

Baptisms on the 1st Sunday of the month at 1.30pm and the 3rd Saturday of the month at 11.00am.

This would entail moving Saturday morning confessions to 10.00am.

I would welcome hearing your views.

Fr Michael

GIFT – Growing in Faith Together

GIFT 5 programme (Year 12) will start back this **Sunday, 27th September**, from **6.30pm – 8.00pm in the Parish Hall**. The programme will run for 4 consecutive weeks finishing on Sunday 18th October. **PLEASE NOTE THE PROGRAMME IS FULL.**

Youth Faith Group

Our parish Youth Faith Group recommences again on **Sunday 4th October in the parish hall running from 6.30 - 8.00pm**. All our young people from year 12 and upwards (age 15 and over) are invited to come along and join in. Please note place preference will always be given to the young people who have attended the parish GIFT programme.

CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY

You are warmly invited to join us as we pray the chaplet of Divine Mercy in St Brigid's church every FRIDAY at 3pm. It's a beautiful way to start the weekend!

Jesus said to Sister Faustina: At 3 O'clock, implore my mercy especially for sinners.... This is the hour of great mercy for the whole world. In this hour I will refuse nothing to the soul that makes a request of me in virtue of my passion.



Food Bank 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 **3rd/4th October 2026**. The September collection weighed in at 354.95kgs.

Thank you for your support.

List of **items currently most needed**: Tinned fish; Tinned meat; Tinned vegetables; Tinned tomatoes; Rice; Rice pudding and Custard; Coffee; Tea; Cooking sauces; UHT milk; Jam/Honey/Spreads; Biscuits; Large sized nappies(5+); Detergent; Toilet roll; Toiletries



Parish Open Morning



*Ever been curious about what goes on in your Parish?
This is your chance to find out.*



Date: Sunday 11th October 2026

Venue: St Brigid's Parish Hall

Time: After both Masses

If you are the representative of a Parish Group and have not been notified about this already, please let the Parish Office know and we will get in touch with you.

Season of Creation 2026 (1 September – 4 October)

*St Brigid's Care for Our Common Home Group
invite you to join them in action.*



What action will we take in this season to show care for our planet, our common home?

Action an Eco - tip

- Endeavour to buy locally sourced food on one shopping visit
- Make one journey on foot or use public transport
- Select one day and turn off all non- essential lights

Start the conversation with family and friends – what can we do to care for our common home? Involve young people in our conversations – their voice matters - they will inherit the planet that we create.

For more ideas visit: <https://stbrigidsparishbelfast.org/events/season-of-creation>

Our Lady's Rosary Festival will take place from 12th to 18th October 2026.

Join us for a week of events to honour Our Blessed Lady, ending with the annual Belfast Rosary Procession. The procession will leave St Malachy's Church, Belfast City Centre, at 2.30pm on Sunday 18th October, and finish at St Peter's Cathedral. A full list of events can be found on the poster at the back of the Church and online at belfastrosaryfestival.com

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