

Saint Brigid's Parish

Pastoral Community of South and East Belfast

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

28th January 2024, Year B, Psalter Week 4

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First Reading: Reading from book of Deuteronomy Duet 18:15-20 *I will raise up a prophet and I will put my words into his mouth.*

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 94:1-2.6-9

R/. o that today you would listen to his voice! Harden not your hearts.

Second Reading: Reading from St Paul's letter to the Corinthians 1 Cor 7:32-35 An unmarried woman can devote herself to the Lord's affairs; all she need worry about it being holy.

Gospel: Gospel according to Mark Mk 1:21-28 *He taught them with authority.*

Anniversary List

Please pray for all those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Leo, Mary, and Annie McGrath, Sr Paula McGrath, Mollie and Paddy Moran, Monica Gormley, Margaret McDonnell, Una MacRandal, Gabriel Hannon, Doreen Gormley, Gerard Sadlier, Mosé, Adelina and Rosaria Fusciardi, Arthur and Peter Goan, Conor Delargy, Patrick Murray and Alice McGettigan, Hugh and Beatrice O'Hagan

May they rest in peace

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

Monday:7.30 pm - 8.00 pmFriday:6.30 pm - 7.00 pmSaturday: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 O'Donnell

PARISH OFFERTORY COLLECTION

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

Weekly Collection 21st January: £4898.08 Living Church 21st January: £2130.60



Thank you for your continued support

Bulletin Notices and Anniversaries

Bulletin Notices should be with the Parish Office **by 12 noon on Thursday** to be included in the weekend bulletin.



Sunday Homily

Fr O'Donnell's Homily is available to read and listen to each Sunday morning on our Parish Website. *Please visit the link* > <u>Sunday Homilies</u>

Please join us in the recitation of the Rosary

The Rosary is recited in St. Brigid's before Mass, on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday at 9.10am and, on Monday and Friday at 6.40pm. Everyone welcome.

Catholic School's Week - Grandparent's Day Mass

Wednesday 31st January at 9.30am in St Brigid's Church



St Brigid's Day

Mass at 9.30am on Thursday 1st February





Society of St Vincent de Paul Christmas Appeal 2023

St Brigids conference would like to sincerely thank all parishioners who so generously contributed to our annual appeal at Christmas.

The total amount donated was £44,928, of which £28,083 was eligible for gift aid. £1700 was collected by way of Christmas cards.

Your generous response to the toy appeal meant we were able to help in excess of **192** families including **426** children.

We provided heating oil, gas and electric top-ups to many homes as well as food and warm clothing.

We extend a special thank you to Ms Cathy Hunter (Principal of St Brides PS) and to all the teachers, pupils and parents for their wonderful generosity along with the children and volunteers of GIFT and the ladies of St Brigid's GAC, who supported us so kindly at Christmas time.

To all of you, on behalf of the entire conference and our clients THANK YOU. The holy sacrifice of the Mass will be offered for you and your families on Tuesday 30th January at 9.30am.

Anyone facing hardship or financial difficulty please call the SVP helpline on 02890 351561.

All referrals are dealt with in total confidence.

Best wishes St Brigids SVP Conference





Welcome into the Church and Parish Family

Fóla Mary Cosgrave, Cara McLaughlin, Dáire Patrick Mankad and Croia Isabella Martin



who were Baptised recently in St Brigid's.



St Brigid's Day Lecture

Date: Thursday 1st February at 7.30pm **Venue:** St Bride's Parish Centre **Guest Speaker:** Fr Gerry O'Hanlon S.J.

Theme: "Why Synodality? Progress and Challenges on The Synodal

Pathway of the Catholic Church"

Fr Gerry O'Hanlon is a Jesuit priest, theologian and former Provincial of the Irish Jesuits. He has written extensively on Church reform and the role of the Church in the public square. In 2018 he published, what is regarded as a work of seminal importance: The Quiet Revolution of Pope Francis – A Synodal Catholic Church in Ireland

Everyone is Welcome!

Women of St Brigids Walking Together

Our Women's Prayer Group will begin again on **Wednesday 31**st **January** and we will meet on the last Wednesday of each month from 7.30pm - 8.30pm in **No40 Derryvolgie Ave.**

Please do feel free to join us if you haven't been before. More information from Mary Carson 07718263019

Food Bank Collection

Non perishable food items can be donated after all Masses on the **3rd /4th February 2024.** The food weighed in at 326.5 kgs for December collection.

Thank you for supporting South Belfast foodbank throughout 2023.

Your donations make a big difference to local people in crisis. South Belfast foodbank is part of the Trussell Trust's UK wide foodbank network.

List of items currently most needed: *Tinned tomatoes; Instant potato; Tinned vegetables; Tinned fruit; Jam; Coffee; Tea; Rice; Long life fruit juice; UHT milk; Cooking Sauces; Biscuits; Household cleaning items.*



ST BRIGID 1500

2024 is the 1500th anniversary of St Brigid, Patroness of Ireland and also of the Catholic Guides of Ireland (CGI). To celebrate this occasion a Mass will be said in St Patrick's Church in Downpatrick on Saturday the 3rd of February at 11am, which will be attended by Dana who will be singing. All are very welcome at the Mass, in particular those with a past or present association with Guides.

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ST BRIGID'S GAC BELFAST

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St Brigid's Miscellany

A cultural evening of music, storytelling, art, poetry, singing and dance

SATURDAY 3RD FEBRUARY 2024 7.30PM ~ LATE

> MALONE HOUSE **BARNETT DEMESNE**



https://klubfunder.com/Clubs/St_Brigids_GAC/TicketSales

you can text Anne Marie at 07787880846 for hard tickets and more information. Gerard is also available at 07753803266

Ticket costs: Adult~£25 | Student~£15 (bring ID) (This is a not for profit event)