



Saint Brigid's Parish

Pastoral Community of South and East Belfast

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

29th October 2023, Year A, Psalter Week 2

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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: Reading from the letter of St Paul to the Thessalonians 1 Th 1:5-10

You broke with 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 Kevin Duffy and Filomena Fusciardi recently deceased, Patricia Wilson whose month's mind it is and for all those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Raymond McDermott, Annie Dolan, Patrick Doherty, Gemma Conroy, James and Theresa Armstrong, Libby Green, Justus Nwaka, Edward McShane, Frank Wilson, Michael Molley, Claire and Larry Gribben, Liam Kelly, Philip Gregory, Brigid Agnes Maguire, Gerard McCrory, Enda Dolan, Sheila Toner, Liam Flanigan, Mary McCrory and prayer also for the parents of baby Nathanael John Goudy

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 pm

Friday: 6.30 pm – 7.00 pm

Saturday: 12.30 pm – 1.00 pm &
5.30 pm – 6.00 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

Eucharistic Adoration

Monday: 7.30 pm – 8.00 pm

PARISH OFFERTORY COLLECTION

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

Collection Figures will be included in next week's Bulletin.



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 > [Sunday Homilies](#)

The Parish Office will be closed from Friday 27th October and reopen Wednesday 1st November at 9.00am

FEAST OF ALL SAINTS – Wednesday 1st November (HOLY DAY)

Mass Time: 9.30am

ALL SOULS DAY – Thursday 2nd November

Mass Time: 9.30am

Annual Mass for Recently Departed Parishioners

(November 2022 – November 2023)

Monday 6th November at 7.00 pm

Relatives and friends of those who have died since 1st November 2022 are particularly invited to this Mass. Also remembered are all the departed Priests and parishioners of the parish, as well as relatives of parishioners who have died in other parishes during the year. Candles will be available for those who wish to bring a lighted candle to the altar in memory of a loved one.

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.

Memorial Notice Board

There will also be a Memorial Notice Board in the entrance hall of the church for the month of November for parishioners to add memoriam cards.

St. Brigid's Apostolic Work

We would like to thank all parishioners who gave generously to the collection on Mission Sunday. The Apostolic Work continues to support those in need during this difficult time.

If you are in a position to help you can **donate** 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**

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

Cheques made payable to Apostolic Work.

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

Coffee and Poems

The next Parish Community Association's Coffee and Poems meeting will be on **Wednesday 1st November** after morning Mass in **St. Bride's Parish Centre**. *All are welcome to come along and join.*



Food Bank Collection

Non perishable food items can be donated after all Masses on the **4th /5th November 2023**. The food weighed in at 217.7 kgs for October collection. Thank you for your support.

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.

"Laudate Deum": the Pope's cry for a response to the climate crisis

Pope Francis has published an Apostolic Exhortation building on his 2015 encyclical. We're not reacting enough, he says, we're close to breaking point. He criticises climate change deniers, saying that the human origin of global warming is now beyond doubt. And he describes how care for our common home flows from the Christian faith.

"'Praise God' is the title of this letter. For when human beings claim to take God's place, they become their own worst enemies."

In St Brigid's Parish Centre, on 9th November next, beginning at 7.30pm, Fr Timothy Barlett will give a presentation on Pope Francis' letter, Laudate Deum. Everyone welcome to attend.

ANNUAL CELEBRATION OF MASS FOR THE DECEASED TEACHERS OF THE DIOCESE OF DOWN AND CONNOR

Tuesday 21st November 2023 at 7.30pm

All Saints' Church, Broughshane Road, Ballymena
AND

Thursday 23rd November 2023 at 7.30pm

Good Shepherd Church, Ormeau Road, Belfast

Please forward the name and school of the deceased by Friday 17th November 2023 to: Fr Colin Grant, Director at dctrusteeservice@downandconnor.org