The Liturgy		
Sunday Mass Saturday: 6.00 pm (Vigil Mass) Sunday: 9.30 am 12.00 noon		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 & 5.30 pm – 6:00 pm	(One month's notice required) Marriages
	p p	At least 6 months' notice required prior
Eucharistic Adoration		to date of Marriage.
Monday:	7.30 pm – 8.00 pm	Please contact Fr O'Donnell

#### PARISH OFFERTORY COLLECTION

#### Figures will be included in the next Bulletin

Thank you for your continued support

# Invitation to Opening of Jubilee Year – 29th December

All parishioners are warmly invited to join Bishop Alan McGuckian at the Solemn Opening Mass of the Jubilee Year of Hope on Sunday, 29th December at 3pm in St Peter's Cathedral, Belfast. We encourage everyone to attend and be part of this celebration for the Jubilee Year. The webcam will allow for people to view the Mass from home: www.churchservices.tv/stpeterscathedral

Jubilee Prayer Cards are available in the Church Porch

Children's Liturgy Classes conclude on Sunday, 22nd December 2024 and the new term restarts on Sunday 12th January 2025 at the 9.30am mass. Children from primary 3 to primary 7 are most welcome. We take this opportunity to wish all the children and their families a wonderful

family Christmas and sincerest thanks to our dedicated team of volunteers for all their help throughout the year. Happy Christmas. 🎄



# Saint Brigid's Farish

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph 29<sup>th</sup> December 2024, Year C, Psalter Week 4

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# The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

First Reading: Reading from the book of Samuel 1 Sam 1:20-22.24-28 Samuel is made over to the Lord for the whole of his life.

#### Responsorial Psalm: 83:2-3.5-6.9-10

R/. They are happy who dwell in your house, O Lord.

Second Reading: From the letter of St John. 1 Jn 3:1-2.21-24 We are called God's children, and that is what we are.

#### Gospel: Gospel according to Luke Lk 2:41-52

Jesus is found by his parents sitting among the doctors.

#### **Anniversary List**

Please pray for all those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Gary Mulholland, Danny McCloskey, Anne-Marie McCrumb, Deirdre Smyth, Brigid Carty, Emmie Delaney, Dick and Moly Herbert, Eileen McCrory, Bobby Rooney, Josephine McCann, Winnie Brannigan, Frances Mallon, Gertie Mallon, Patrick MacAllister, Joseph Fahey, Angelina Kelly, Tom Murphy, Margaret Caher, Deirdre O'Kane

May they rest in peace



# Mass Times During The Christmas Season

12 Noon & 6.00pm (vigil)
9.30 am & 12 Noon
12 Noon
12 Noon
12 Noon

#### Normal mass times will resume from Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> January

Feast of the Epiphany: 9.30am and 7.00pm

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2025



### Parish Office Closures over Christmas & New Year

The Parish office will be closed from 1pm on Monday 23rd

December and reopen Thursday 2nd January.

Wishing everyone a very happy Christmas and a Peaceful New Year!

Fr Edward O'Donnell, Fr Domíníc McGrattan and Deacon Brett Lockhart would like to Wish all the Parishioners of St Brigid's all the Blessings of the Christmas Season and a Very Happy New Year!



Thank you to everyone who left in Cards and Gifts for the Clergy and Staff!

# **Christmas Message from Bishop Alan McGuckian SJ**

As we celebrate the joy of Christmas, I send heartfelt greetings to all the faithful of our diocese, embracing the hope that Christ brings into our world. In this Jubilee Year of Hope, may the tender love of God shown by the birth of Jesus guide us, inspiring renewal and deepening our faith. I extend my deep gratitude to the clergy and our dedicated parish volunteers whose selfless service brings the warmth of God's love to life in our community. May God's abundant blessing be with you and your loved ones this Christmas and throughout the coming year.

Bishop Alan has published a Christmas Video on the Down and Connor Facebook Page.

# **School Open Days 2025**

St Louise's Comprehensive College Thursday 9th January (Principal's address 4pm and 6.30pm) St Dominic's Grammar School Saturday 11th January from 9am - 1pm Our Lady and St Patrick's College, Knock Saturday,11th January from 9am – 12.30pm St Malachy's College Wednesday 15th and Thursday 16th January 2025 from 7pm- 9.30pm

For additional information on Open Days please contact the School or College

