

Saint Brigid's Parish

Pastoral Community of South and East Belfast

Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

31st October 2021, Year B, Psalter Week 4

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First Reading: Reading from the book of Wisdom Deut 6:2-6 *Listen, Israel: You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart.*

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 17:2-4.47-51 *R/. I love you, Lord, my strength.*

Second Reading: Reading from the letter of the Hebrews Heb 7:23-28 Because he remains for ever, Christ can never lose his priesthood.

Gospel: Gospel according to Mark Mk 12:28-34 *This is the first commandment. The second is like it.*

Anniversary List

Please pray for Claire Ward O'Boyle recently deceased, and for all those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Raymond McDermott, Imelda Flood, Catherine McGeown, Annie Dolan, James and Theresa Armstrong, Libby Green, Philip Gregory, Patrick Doherty, Edward McShane, Gerard McCrory, Moh McCullagh, Mary Dynan, Michael Molloy, Sheila Toner, Margaret and Terry Carney, James McDonagh, Joseph Caher, Michael Anthony Haughey

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

Marriages

Baptisms

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

Please contact the Parish Office

stbrigids@downandconnor.org

Eucharistic Adoration

Monday 7.30 pm - 8.00 pm

PARISH OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Weekly Collection 24th October: £3714.00 Mission Sunday Collection: £2218.75

Thank you for your continued support.

Bulletin Notices

Bulletin Notices should be with the Parish Office by <u>12 noon on Thursday</u> to be included in the weekend bulletin. Thank you.

Mass Times

All Saints Day (Monday 1st November): 9.30am and 7.00pm

All Souls Day (Tuesday 2nd November): 9.30am

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

Short-Term Pledge for November

Many people choose to abstain from alcohol for the month of November and offer up their sacrifice for their deceased family members and friends. You can do likewise.

Please consider taking the Short-Term Pledge for November and say the Prayer daily: "I promise in honour of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and with the help of the Blessed Virgin Mary to abstain from all alcoholic drink during November". Thank You.

MASS FOR THE DECEASED TEACHERS OF DOWN AND CONNOR

On Tuesday 2nd November at 7.30pm in Good Shepherd Church (Belfast) AND Wednesday 3rd November at 7.30pm in All Saints Church (Ballymena)

> Holy Rosary Parish Live Webcam Stream (churchmedia.tv) https://www.facebook.com/ballymenacatholic/

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 of Pandemic.

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

Coffee and Poems

- continuing via Zoom on Wednesday 3 November 2021

The monthly Coffee and Poems meeting will continue on Zoom on Wednesday 3 November at 10.30am

Everybody is welcome to join us - to read a poem or just listen to others!

If you have already registered for this, the Zoom link will be circulated by Sunday 31 October. If you do not receive the link or would like to join, please email coffeeandpoems1@gmail.com

G.I.F.T. - Growing In Faith Together

There will be a GIFT information night on Wednesday 3rd NOVEMBER at 7.30pm in the Parish Hall for ALL volunteers past and present.

As all volunteers will need to be re vetted due to the time lapse created by COVID, I have attached the Volunteer Application Form to be completed and returned to the parish office either by post or email by Thursday 28th October so that the Parish Safeguarding Committee can take up references and have the vetting process in place before the meeting.

Thank you to those who had already returned their forms to the office.

Guidelines for attending Mass in St Brigid's

- Face Coverings must be worn when entering and exiting the church and should be worn throughout services.
- Current seating occupancy of the church is 275
- Observe social distancing and use the sanitizer at the Church Entrance;
- Take a seat and remain there until the end of Mass: children must remain with their parents, and in the seat, at all times;
- Do not sit beside anyone who is not a member of your household;
- To receive Holy Communion, remain in your seat and Holy Communion will be brought to you; Holy Communion is to be received in the hand;
- When leaving the Church follow the instructions and leave according to the indicated "One-way" system;
- Anyone with cold-like symptoms or coughs must not enter the Church;
- Those with under lying health issues are advised to remain at home;
- Toilet facilities are not available;

Annual Mass for the recently departed

Each November, in St Brigid's Parish, we celebrate a Mass for those who departed this life in the last year. However, due to Covid-19, we were not able to do this last November, and it appears we will be restricted this November also. Nevertheless, we have decided to have a number of masses in the **week beginning 8**th **November 2021**, and to invite the relatives and friends of those who have died since 1st November 2019 – 31st October 2021. Letters have been sent to the relatives this week **The time of Masses will be 7pm.**

Monday 8th November

James McDonald

Maura Donaghy

Dermot Byrnes

Aileen McGeown

Patrick Mullanev

Deirdre Lavery

Mary McLaughlin

Kathleen Mageean

Marie Nicholas

Joseph Fahey

Tony Doran

Richard Carr

Mary Young

Sarah Smith

Lil McDermott

Raymond McDermott

Ursula Burns

Una MacRandal

Thamina Kurit

Edward Yoong

Kathleen O'Neill

Patrick O'Neill

Marguerite Egan

Aidan Langan

Desmond Keating

Joan Kerr

Sheila Magennis

Margaret Brannigan

Bernard Brannigan

Margaret Brannigan

Leo Mooney

Josie Cassidy

Gerry McVeigh

Lena Jackson

Tuesday 9th November

James Shaughnessy

Kathleen Shaughnessy

Anne McGivern

Anna Patterson

Mary Donnelly

Jeanette Ann Robinson

Pauline McCormick

Clio Griffin

Gerard Marshall

Maura Camplisson

Damien Brennan

Hugh O'Kane

Teresa Quinn

Kevin Leonard

John O'Connell

Patrick McAreavey

Charlie Grant

Joseph McKnight

Jo Cullen

Matthew Salters

Catherine McGeown

Patrick O'Neill

Marie Wilson

Bernie Flanagan

Bernadette Gygax

Robert Bunting

Annette McCourt

Sarah Mellon

Margaret Hannon

Francis Mulholland

Patrick Flynn

Anne-Marie McCrum

Hazel McIlroy

Wednesday 10th November

Liam Dalv

Maureen Nolan

Jim McEvoy

Francis McErlean

Sean Gribben

John McCrystal

Brendan Trainor

Kris Toner

Aidan Gallagher

James Mullan

John O'Sullivan

Robert Mullally

Francis McNally

Henry Gerald Burns

Angela Thompson

James Muldoon

Brian Howard Murray

Sean O'Doherty

Sarah Brennan

Tom Esmonde

Gerry Quinn

Joan Cronin

Philomena McKenna

Kate Burns

Sally Matthews

Michael McKeever

Joseph Murtagh

Mark Pettigrew

Rita Gordon

Ciaran Crawford

Therese Graham

Tim Lynch

Ellen Murray Ann Rosbotham