

Saint Brigid's Farish

Pastoral Community of South and East Belfast

Third Sunday of Easter 26th April 2020, Year A, Psalter Week 3

First Reading: Reading from the Acts of the Apostles Ac 2:14.22-33 *It was impossible for him to be held in the power of Hades.*

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 15-2.5.7-11 R/. Show us Lord, the path of life

Second Reading: Reading from the first letter of St Peter 1 Pt 1:17-21 Your ransom was paid in the precious blood of a lamb without spot or stain, namely, Christ.

Gospel: Gospel according to Luke Lk 24:13-35 *They recognised him at the breaking of bread.*

Anniversary List

Please pray for Gerry McVeigh, Roma Tomelty and Sarah Mulholland recently deceased and for all those whose Anniversaries occur at this time: Fabbri Anna Maria, Mary Lucinda Brennan, Brian Keating, Charles Fox, Charles O'Neill **May they rest in peace**

Our church and parish buildings are <u>now closed</u> Please email or call to get in touch with Lisa (Secretary) or Fr O'Donnell. *Phone: 02890 665409 / Email: <u>stbrigids@downandconnor.org</u> Follow us on Facebook 'St Brigid's Parish Belfast' to keep up to date*

with information and help keep our community together.

PARISH WEBCAMS

Private Masses and devotions continue to be celebrated – for a full list of Parishes live streaming please go to the Down and Connor website or: <u>https://www.churchservices.tv/</u> Or <u>https://www.mcnmedia.tv/</u>



Sunday Homily

Fr O'Donnell's Sunday Homilies are available to read and listen to on our website. *Please go to The Liturgy > Sunday Homilies*.

Life Sometimes Wounds Us

The road to Emmaus thus becomes a symbol of our journey of faith: the Scriptures and the Eucharist are the indispensable elements for encountering the Lord. We too often go to Sunday Mass with our worries, difficulties, and disappointments... Life sometimes wounds us, and we go away feeling sad, toward our "Emmaus", turning our backs on God's plan. We distance ourselves from God. But the Liturgy of the Word welcomes us.

Pope Francis, Regina Caeli, May 4, 2014

Reflection: If Jesus were walking alongside you, what would he say to you? in what area of your life would he offer encouragement? What area would he ask you to change? Ask God for the courage to encounter his mercy in the face of these challenges.

OFFERING ENVELOPES

Fr O'Donnell writes:

Parishioners have contacted me concerned about their financial contributions to the parish. In the midst of these difficult times, which is causing financial distress for many, financial contributions to the parish should be secondary to the needs of parishioners. However, if parishioners are in a financial position to do so and wish to continue with their contributions they can do so in the following ways:

- Continue to use the parish envelopes, by putting your contribution in the weekly envelope as usual, but keep these envelopes at home and **DO NOT** return them to the parish until the "Lockdown" is lifted and the Church reopens.
- On St. Brigid's Parish Website there is now a **"DONATE ONLINE".** If you have any difficulty with this, please email Lisa, our Parish Secretary.

Go to our Website > Contact us > Donate Online



ST BRIGIDS COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

Although we cannot be together in our many activities and meetings in the Parish Hall, St Brigids Community Association is still continuing to keep in contact with its members through email; notifying them of activities and events to see online during this pandemic.

If you would like to sign up and learn more please contact stbrigidsra@gmail.com