



Saint Brigid's Parish

Pastoral Community of South and East Belfast

Anniversary List

Please pray for Jeanette Ann Robinson recently deceased Mary Donnelly whose month's mind it is and for all those whose Anniversaries occur at this time: John Devine, Edward and Anne Hillan, Elizabeth Fullalove
May they rest in peace

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 29th June 2020, Year A, Psalter Week 4

First Reading: Reading from the Books of Kings Kgs 4:8-11.14-16
This is a holy man of God, let him rest there.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 88:2-3.16-19
R/. I will sing forever of your love, O Lord.

Second Reading: Letter of St Paul to the Romans Rom 6:3-4.8-11
*When we were baptised, we went into the tomb with Christ,
so that we too might live a new life.*

Gospel: Gospel according to Matthew Mt 10:37-42
*Anyone who does not take his cross and follows me is not worthy of me.
Anyone who welcomes you welcomes me.*

Private Prayer in St Brigid's Church

St Brigid's Church is open for ONE HOUR from 7.00pm – 8.00pm Monday to Saturday for Private Prayer. Please take personal responsibility for hygiene, read the signs and follow the instructions of our Stewards. More guidelines are listed in last week's bulletin and on the parish website.

Contact St Brigid's Parish

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Plans for Provision of Public Masses at St Brigid's

You will have heard of relaxations of COVID-19 restrictions in the Republic of Ireland from 29 June 2020. The situation in Northern Ireland is that the move from the facility for private prayer in churches to being able to attend Mass is covered under Stage 4 of the Executive's [Recovery Plan](#):

"A wider range of gatherings permitted including church services subject to social distancing and other suitable mitigations, such as cleaning of hard surfaces."

This stage of the recovery plan has not yet been announced.

Fr O'Donnell and the Parish Pastoral Council are keeping the timings of the change to Stage 4 under active surveillance and are discussing plans for how St Brigid's will reintroduce public Masses under the regulations.

Remember that the obligation to attend Mass on Sundays/Holy Days has been dispensed with during the COVID pandemic.

Guidance and a framework for action in relation to Masses and other liturgies was issued by the Irish Bishops Conference on 9 June 2020 and the plans will be made in relation to that advice. The primary considerations in reintroducing public Masses will be that of maintaining the highest standards of safety and compliance with regulations in Northern Ireland. Of course, we will depend on all of us playing our part in taking responsibility for these aspects.

A Guide to Arrangements for Mass at St Brigid's Church, Belfast Under COVID Restrictions ([YouTube Video](#)) <https://youtu.be/3alo23aCQok>

As the plans for St Brigid's develop, we will keep you informed via this website and the [Parish Facebook page](#).



Sunday Homily

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