

Saint Brigid's Parish

Pastoral Community of South and East Belfast

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>*

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:

https://www.churchservices.tv/ Or https://www.mcnmedia.tv/

Palm Sunday 5th April 2020, Year A, Psalter Week 5

First Reading: Reading from the prophet Isaiah Is 50:4-7 I did not cover my face against insult – I know I shall not be shamed

> **Responsorial Psalm**: Ps 21:8-9.17-20.23-24 *R*/. *My* God, *my* God, *why* have you forsaken me?

Second Reading: Letter from St Paul to the Philippians Ph 2:6-11 He humbled himself, but God raised him high.

Gospel: The passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew Mt 26:14-27:66

Anniversary List

Please pray for Joan Kerr recently deceased and for all whose anniversaries occur at this time: Tom Walls, Sean Dynan, Alexander Murphy, Mary Helen Fox, Sean Patrick Graham *May they rest in peace*

FACEBOOK

A Parish Facebook Page has been launched this week to help to our parishioners up to date with information and come to together in

prayer. Please invite your friends, family and fellow parishioners to logon also Please logon and Like our page – 'St Brigid's Parish Belfast'

The Bulletin and News will continue to be uploaded on the website also.

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.*

LETTER FROM FR FOUAD

Dear Friends.

Greeting from Dublin where I am right now. And where I will be until the borders open again and I am able to travel.

I just received your cards that you sent to me. I am speechless ... and would be very happy if I could thank you personally for each word you have sent. But thanks to Fr Eddie I am able to thank you through the website of the parish.

I have no words to tell you who much I was touched by your words, your friendship and your generosity.

My friends, love is beautiful but always painful. I loved being with you and so it was very painful for me to leave you in this unexpected way, at such short notice. I am very grateful to have had the opportunity to be with you during this short time. You made me feel at home in Belfast, and I really enjoyed being with you. It was an exceptional moment in my life. You gave me life, joy, love and friendship, and most importantly, you awoke a new hope in my heart. So, thank you from my heart for all of this.

But...

A bigger thanks to Fr Eddie who made all this possible by accepting the adventure of receiving me, welcoming me and being a real brother and a real friend for me.

I hope that I will be able to see you again, but if not be sure that I will never forget the time I spent in St Brigid's parish.

Let us pray with and for each other.

Fouad

FOOD BANK

Unfortunately, as the Coronavirus pandemic continues, we will be unable to hold our monthly collection for the Food Bank in St Brigid's this weekend. It will be postponed until after this crisis is over. The South Belfast Food Bank still continues to operate if you would still like to continue to support those in need during this difficult time. For more information and to donate online go to: www.southbelfast.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/donate-money Thank you for your continued support!

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