



Saint Brigid's Parish

Pastoral Community of South and East Belfast

Third Sunday of Easter

14th April 2024, Year B, Psalter Week 2

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First Reading: Reading from the Acts of the Apostles Acts 3:13-15.17-19

You killed the prince of life. God, however, raised him from the dead.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 4:2.4.7.9

R/. Lift up the light of your face on us, O Lord.

Second Reading: Reading from the letter of St John 1 Jn 2:1-5

He is the sacrifice that takes our sins away, and not only ours but the whole world's.

Gospel: Gospel according to Luke Lk 24:35-48

So you see how it is written that the Christ would suffer and on the third day rise from the dead.

Anniversary List

Please pray for Gabriel Chiatula and Anne Hanratty recently deceased, Jimmy Doran whose months mind it is and for all those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Thomas Heagney, May McGahan, Rev Ciaran Woods, Ross McMahon, Harry Reid, Josie Cassidy, Colin Morgan, Noel Conlon, Bill Lavery, Seamus Hillan, Elizabeth, Leo Mooney, Margaret Mooney, Sean, and Annie Tynan

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 pm

Friday: 6.30 pm – 7.00 pm

Saturday: 12.30 pm – 1.00 pm &
5.30 pm – 6:00 pm

Eucharistic Adoration

Monday: 7.30 pm – 8.00 pm

Baptisms

1st & 3rd Sunday of the Month at 1.30pm

Please contact the Parish Office to book

Marriages

At least 6 months' notice required prior to date of Marriage.

Please contact Fr O'Donnell

PARISH OFFERTORY COLLECTION

(Total includes Basket Collections, Standing Orders and Dona Donations)

Weekly Collection 31st March: £5819.73

Easter Collection 31st March: £4735.00

Weekly Collection 7th April: £8046.16

Monthly Collection 7th April: £4774.10



Thank you for your continued support



Sunday Homily

Fr O'Donnell's Homily is available to read and listen to each Sunday morning on our Parish Website. Please visit the link > [Sunday Homilies](#)

A concert for Fouad

An evening of music and poetry for Syria

St Brides Hall, Derryvolgie Avenue

Friday 26th April 2024 at 7.30pm



Lynda Barrett Soprano
Jenny Bourke Contralto
Niall Leonard Cello
Gareth Lewis Piano
Michael Longley Poet



Entrance free (retiring collection)

Tickets are available from Monday 8th April through the Parish Office,
40 Derryvolgie Avenue, Belfast, BT9 6FP (Office open 9am – 1pm Mon-Fri)

There will be no evening mass on Friday 26th April, mass will be at 9.30am on this day.

Synodality and St Brigid's Parish

Walking together:

As part of a wider movement across the Catholic Church, and with a desire to see St Brigid's be a place where people connect and explore their faith, three evenings have been set aside to which parishioners are invited, and where they can talk openly and honestly about how they live out their faith.

The first evening is a gentle introduction on Thursday 18th April at 7.30pm

Second and third meetings on Thursday 25th April and Thursday 2nd May. Each evening will last from 7.30pm until 9.00pm in the Main Hall of the Parish Centre.

Everyone is welcome – regular attenders and unregular attenders. We will contact by email those parishioners who gave their contact details at our previous meetings.

Lay Dominican Meeting

The next meeting of the Lay Dominicans will be on **Monday 15th April at 7.35pm in Parish Centre**. All newcomers welcome without any commitment!

GIFT 1 – Growing in Faith Together

GIFT 3 programme will start back on **Sunday 21st April from 6.30pm – 8.00pm in the Parish Hall**. The programme will run for 4 consecutive weeks finishing on Sunday 12th May 2024. GIFT 3 is for Children in Year 10. If you would like your child to join please contact the parish office for a consent form.

Parents who have already signed up have been contacted by email from the parish office.

The theme for GIFT 3 is:

“Friendship: How can I be a good friend?”



If you have not been involved in the GIFT programme and would like to join, please get in touch with the Parish Office.



Parish Confirmations

Congratulations to all the boys and girls in the parish who made their Confirmation last week, and thanks to all who made the day so wonderful!

Women Walking Together In Prayer

Are you looking for some quiet, prayerful time away from the frenzy of life? Do you have a desire to come closer to God? Then please do join us. We follow the Ignatius approach to prayer, gentle and for the most part silent.

We will meet on the **3rd Wednesday of each month** in No40 Derryvolgie Avenue. Prayer beginning promptly for an hour at 7.30pm. Everyone is most welcome!

DATES: April – June 2024

Wednesday 17th April

Wednesday 15th May

Wednesday 19th June

Contact Mary Carson if you would like to find out more on 07718263019

Bishop Alan's Installation

This Sunday, April 14th, Bishop Alan McGuckian will be installed as our new Bishop of Down & Connor. We ask you to keep him in your prayers.

Prayer for our Bishop, Alan

God our Father, our shepherd and guide,
look with love on Alan, your servant.
Enrich him with the gifts and virtues of a true apostle
for the good of your people.
Give him a spirit of courage and right judgement,
a spirit of knowledge and love.
Help him to be a wise administrator, and a holy priest.
May his words and example fill our hearts and minds
with the trust of the Gospel.
May he, and all those entrusted to his care,
come to everlasting life.
This we ask through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Belfast Jesuit Centre

The Belfast Jesuit Centre is pleased to invite you to three events which we are delighted to be hosting in April and May. Detailed information on each, and links to book your place, are available on our website. belfastjesuitcentre.co.uk/seasonal_events/



“First Belong to God: On Retreat with Pope Francis”

A Talk by Dr Austen Ivereigh

Saturday 27th April 2024 at 3pm

“Climate Redemption: Hope for the World”

A Discussion with Dom Christopher Jamison

Sunday 5th May from 3pm – 5.45pm

“Celebrating the Gifts of the Breath of Christ”

A Pentecost Retreat

Facilitated by Tom and Rosemary Cashman with the BJC Team

Friday 17th - Sunday 19th May

Beginning Experience

The loss of a partner through death, separation or divorce is devastating. Beginning Experience is offering a programme of bereavement support in St Bride's Hall, Derryvolgie Ave., Belfast on three Saturdays (27th April, 25th May and 29th June 2024) Booking essential. To find out more, contact Pauline 07519289185 or Marie 07896119669 or email belfastbe@yahoo.com

Pilgrimage to Knock

Living Church Office: Join us on pilgrimage to Knock Shrine as we participate in the Down and Connor Diocesan pilgrimage. The price £40 per person includes luxury coach and refreshments. Early booking is advised. To book contact Claire Tel: 028 90690920 Email: livingchurch@downandconnor.org

DIOCESAN HOLY HOUR FOR VOCATIONS SUNDAY

On the Vigil of the Feast of the Good Shepherd, a Holy Hour will be prayed before Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament in every Cathedral in Ireland for Vocations

**JOIN US IN ST PETER'S
CATHEDRAL BELFAST
20TH APRIL 2024**

**5:30PM - VIGIL MASS
FOR VOCATIONS
SUNDAY**

**6:30PM HOLY HOUR
FOR DIOCESAN
VOCATIONS**