



Saint Brigid's Parish

Pastoral Community of South and East Belfast

Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

17th October 2021, Year B, Psalter Week 2

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First Reading: Reading from the prophet Isaiah Is 53: 10-11

If he offers his life in atonement, he shall see heirs, he shall have a long life.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 32:4-5.18-20.22

R/. May your love be upon us, O Lord, as we place all our hope in you.

Second Reading: Reading from the letter of the Hebrews Heb 4:14-16

Let us be confident in approaching the throne of grace.

Gospel: Gospel according to Mark Mk 10:35-45

The Son of Man came to give his life as a ransom for many.

Anniversary List

Please pray for Joseph Murtagh, Michael McKeever, Charles Mooney, whose months mind it is, and for all those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Michael Campbell, Jack Campbell, Eileen McGrenera, Colm Bevan, Martin Caher, Tess Stafford, Michael Madden Snr, Michael Madden Jnr, Sarah Madden, John and May Margaret Creighton, Mary McCorry

May they rest in peace

Bulletin Notices

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

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

Baptisms

Please contact the Parish Office

stbrigids@downandconnor.org

Marriages

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

Please contact Fr O'Donnell

Eucharistic Adoration

Monday 7.30 pm – 8.00 pm

PARISH OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Weekly Collection 10th October: £4433.00

Thank you for your continued support.

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.



Parish Pastoral Council

The Parish Pastoral Council has recently been re-constituted.

Members are: Jarlath McAllister (**Chair**), Lucy Kelly (**Vice-Chair**), Kevin Delaney (**Secretary**), Sr Felicity Agwu Kalu, Paddy Turnbull, Fiona Fitzpatrick, Cormac O'Toole, Michelle Toner, Peter Coll, Tadgh Lynch, Mary Carson, Gabby Hicks, Fr Eddie O'Donnell (**Parish Priest**), Deacon Brett Lockhart

The Parish Pastoral Council can be contacted through the Parish Office.

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

A fun-filled , faith-based programme connecting our young people to one another, to their Parish and to God.

As you know , we had to delay the start of the GIFT programme for 21/22. We are keen to get started now but will be doing so with a reduced number of weeks and a shorter time (one and a half hours) To clarify for any of our new members the GIFT number matches the year your child is in at school....GIFT 1 for Year 8, GIFT 2 for Year 9 etc...

The dates are as follows at the new time of 6.30pm to 8pm;

GIFT 5: 7th and 14th November. (2 weeks only). We will be hosted for the first session by the Youth Faith group. There will be games and pizza!

GIFT 2: 21st November - 12th December (4 weeks)

GIFT 1: 30th January - 20th February (4 weeks)

GIFT 4: 20th March - 10th April (4 weeks)

GIFT 3: 8th May - 29th May (4 weeks)



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

There will be an opportunity to begin the vetting process on this night. Everyone will need to be re-vetted due to the time lapse created by COVID.

WE CANNOT run GIFT without your help so please make every effort to attend. If, due to COVID , you have not yet begun as a volunteer please do come along. It's wonderful and rewarding work. We have such tremendous young people in our Parish and we are really looking forward to connecting with them all again. If you have any questions please don't hesitate to contact us.

Mary and Breige (Mary-carson@hotmail.com / 07718263019)

St. Brigid's Apostolic Work

For almost 100 years St. Brigid's Apostolic Work as part of the Diocese of Down and Connor has supported missionaries and their work overseas.

Its objectives are to share in the Missionary Apostolate of the Church by prayer, supplying material requirements and financial aid in the developing world.



Donations are used for Church; School buildings; Education; Transport; Orphanages; Training of Catechists; Novices & Seminarians; Street children; Food projects; Water projects; Medical care and Hospice care.

In many poorer parishes in Africa, Asia, and Latin America it is Missionaries who are on the front line. These women and men do so much with poor communities long before and long after any emergencies. For the very poor, this pandemic is but one more crisis to add to the other daily disasters they face. They desperately need your help.

A collection will take place after each Mass on the weekend of the 23rd and 24th October. Envelopes will be distributed at all Masses this weekend.

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'.

For further information please contact Thérèse O'Reilly through the parish office.

We are appealing for your generous support. The mission to love one another continues.



Youth Faith Group

Our Youth Faith Group meetings continue each **Sunday evening from 7pm until 8.30pm in St Brides Hall.** All young people aged **16 year and over (lower 6th)** will be made most welcome to join our meetings. We hope to see you there!

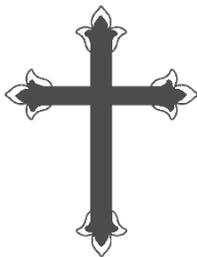
Ashleigh Group

Parish Pupils in our Ashleigh Group will be making their **First Holy Communion** this Saturday (16th Oct) in St Brigid's Church

St Brides Primary School

Year 4 Pupils in St Brides PS will be asking their **First Penance** this Tuesday and Thursday in St Brigid's Church

Please pray for all our Parish Children making their First Holy Communion and First Penance this month



Safeguarding Notice

Child Level 1, Level 2, and refresher Training



For parish volunteers undertaking valued work directly with children (under-18s), Diocesan training is essential. If you have not yet received training, or have not done so in the last 3 years, please see details below on how to book training.

A full list of the training sessions are available at the link underneath for those working in Children's Liturgy, the Ashleigh Group, supervising or training Altar Servers, G.I.F.T and Youth Faith. Additional dates will be added for the new year. <https://downandconnorsafeguarding.com/available-training/>

There is a mixture of Online (Zoom) and face-to-face training sessions for Level 2 (+ refresher) and Level 1 sessions are available through Zoom.

To book a session please complete the booking form on the Safeguarding website (under training) or contact Marion in the office office@soddc.org

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;
- Do not sit beside anyone who is not a member of your household;
- Take a seat and remain there until the end of Mass; children must remain with their parents, and in the seat, at all times;
- **Anyone with cold-like symptoms or coughs must not enter the Church**;
- Toilet facilities are not available.

SYNOD: AN OPPORTUNITY TO SHARE YOUR EXPERIENCE

Last week Pope Francis opened a new pathway of listening to the People of God that will culminate in a Synod in Rome in 2023. This is an important time as we pray and think together on Communion, Participation and Mission in the Church.

Bishop Treenor invites us all to enter into a time of prayer so that we too in our Diocese may be attentive to our experience of Church and how the Holy Spirit is prompting and guiding us as we journey on our pathway into the future.

We ask you to pray that the Holy Spirit will guide the Church at this time and we look forward to opening a forum of listening in Advent.

