



Saint Brigid's Parish

Pastoral Community of South and East Belfast

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

17th January 2021, Year B, Psalter Week 2

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Currently No Public Mass – see times opposite for Live Streaming.

Mass Times

Sunday Mass

Saturday: 6 pm (Vigil Mass)

Sunday: 9.30 am & 12 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

1 months' notice required

Please contact the Parish Office

Marriages

6 months' notice required.

Please contact Fr O'Donnell

Bulletin Notices

Bulletin Notices must be with the Parish Office by **12 noon on**

Thursday to be included in the weekend bulletin. Thank you.

Sign up to our
Electronic
Mailing List
[Click HERE](#)

The Parish Office will be **closed to the public** during the Lockdown period from **Thursday 7th January until Saturday 6th February**.

If you need to get in touch, please contact the parish office by phone or email during this time.

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Reading from the book of Samuel 1 Sm 3:3-10.19

Speak, Lord your servant is listening.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 39:2.4.7-10

R/. Here I am, Lord! I come to do your will.

Second Reading: Letter of St Paul to the Corinthians 1 Cor 6:13-15.17-20

Your bodies are members making up the body of Christ.

Gospel: Gospel according to John Jn 1:35-42

They saw where he lived, and stayed with him.

Anniversary List

Please pray for Maureen Nolan and Liam Daly recently deceased, Robert Bunting and Annette McCourt whose month's mind it is and for all those whose anniversaries occur at this time: John and Kathleen Taylor, Gretta McCambridge, Paddy and Mollie Moran, Arthur Newell, Lil McDermott, Jim McCorry, John McShannon, Gertie Kennedy, Thomas McCambridge, BeBe Graham Suttle, Patricia Devlin, Brendan Rice, Babs Huston, Séan Fulton, Rita Cleary

May they rest in peace

LOCKDOWN

Suspension of Public Mass from midnight Thursday 7th January until Saturday 6th February 2021

Mass will continue to be Live streamed from St Brigid's Church

Link: stbrigidsparishbelfast.org/links

Monday, Wednesday & Friday: 9.30 am

Saturday: 12 noon

Sunday: 12 noon

*Mass will also be Live Streamed on **Tuesday and Thursday at 5pm** and at **8pm on Sunday** in the **Catholic Chaplaincy at Queens** (Live Streaming on Facebook, YouTube and Church Services)*

When the lockdown restrictions are lifted, mass will return to normal times.

Funerals, Weddings and Baptisms can continue under the current restrictions.

No provisions for Private Prayer at this time.



Society of St. Vincent de Paul

Society of St Vincent de Paul Christmas Appeal 2020

St Brigid's Conference extends sincere thanks to all in the Parish who contributed so generously to this year's Christmas Collection and Toy Appeal. The total amount collected in the period prior to the 2-week lockdown and from 13th December 2020 was **£27,000**, of this **£960 came from Christmas Cards** with **£11,000 eligible for Gift Aid**.

Your generous response to the toy appeal meant we were able to help **85 families, including 185 children**.

We also provided vouchers for warm clothing, help with buying extra food and fuel. All of this was greatly received.

We also extend a special thanks to **St Brigid's GAA** who through their "Raffle" donated Smyth vouchers to the value of **£1500** which was given to parents to buy toys for their children. A further £790 in cash was donated and is included in the figures above.

As I am sure you know the continuing lockdowns are causing more and more hardship, so your generosity is really appreciated and is vital to our work in the SVP.

The people YOU help are in genuine need and many of them have asked us to convey our thanks to you. All of them greatly appreciate the help given to them by our volunteers who visit them.

If you are interested in becoming a member of the Society of St Vincent de Paul, please contact George McGrath on 02890668884

The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will be offered for all.

Best wishes



St Brigid's Third World Group **Thank you from the Daughters of Charity**

Sister Geraldine Henry has sent this video <https://youtu.be/EyWT9XpmleA> thanking St Brigid's Third World Group and all our generous donors for the support we have been able to give to the work of the Daughters of Charity in Kenya and other African countries.

Here also is a link to a very interesting and inspirational article about Sr Geraldine's missionary work:

<https://www.irishcatholic.com/conquering-challenges-for-the-suffering/>

For information or to make a donation to the Group please phone Kevin on 07525634440.



4 Corners Festival Belfast

This inter-denominational arts festival aimed at promoting reconciliation runs from **January 31 to February 7**.

Because of the pandemic it is a purely on-line project with all events being available in the comfort of your home via "live" video streaming services such as Facebook and YouTube.

The theme is Breathe... The Hebrew word Ruach means 'breath' or 'spirit' – the source of life. And the festival aims to breathe hope and creativity into Belfast and further afield at a very difficult time.

The keynote speaker is Prof John Paul Lederach, the internationally renowned author and conflict transformation expert from the University of Notre Dame in the United States.

Morning and Night Prayer will be streamed throughout the festival. Night Prayer will be led by Jim Deeds, a pastoral worker in Down and Connor and his colleague, Paula McKeown, director of the diocesan Living Church Office will facilitate a workshop on resilience.

There will be discussions on topics such as domestic abuse and racism and one of the moderators will be Seamus McKee.

Due to the lack of social contact the organisers cannot spread word about the festival as they normally do and must rely heavily on social media. So, they would appreciate if you could follow them on Facebook and Twitter and share their posts whenever you can.

Further details can be found at the website: www.4cornersfestival.com